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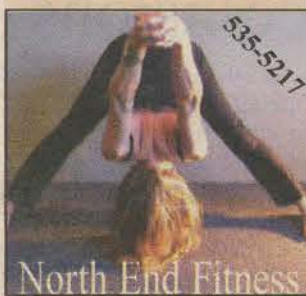
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## Islanders win spray battle

**Aerial spraying  
of controversial  
agent abandoned  
for 2006**

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Islanders might've won a battle to prevent overhead pesticide spraying, but the ground war against invasive gypsy moths has just begun.

Salt Springers Targeting Overuse of Pesticides (SSTOP) spokesperson Leslie Wallace announced "victory" on Monday when the Ministry of Forests and Range (MOFAR) retracted an aerial-spray permit for the Burgoyne Bay area, opting to pursue an alternate plan proposed by islanders.

"If we are successful in implementing this plan, on an ongoing basis, we will not have to fight this fight again," Wallace said.

The alternate gypsy-moth control plan includes trapping, egg-mass searches, ground spraying with an organic-farming-approved product and a public-education program that encourages islanders and visitors to take action against the

oak-loving moth.

"The success of this plan will ride on our commitment as a community to take responsibility for monitoring traps, searching for egg masses and educating ourselves, neighbours and visitors to practice vigilance [to prevent transportation of] moths onto the island," said Wallace.

Gypsy moths are brought to the island on vehicles from areas with established gypsy-moth populations such as Eastern Canada and the United States, she noted.

Salt Spring trustee George Ehring, who helped present an alternate plan along with fellow trustee Peter Lamb, Wallace, Anne Macey of Island Natural Growers, forest geneticist Sally John and Steve Grayson of the Farmers Institute was also pleased about the MOFAR decision on Monday.

"Because of the community participation they were convinced we were actually going to be able to put it in place."

MOFAR forest health project specialist Tim Ebata was impressed by the local response.

"Everybody is very enthusiastic about switching to the

**GYPSY MOTH PLAN A3**

## Lieut. Gov. awards coast guard volunteers

Local Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (CCGA) volunteers received awards from the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Iona Campagnolo at a prestigious Vancouver banquet last week.

Amanda Spottiswoode, Amarah Gabriel and Tony Meek were honoured for their dedication with CCGA Unit 25 based on Salt Spring.

Spottiswoode and Meek were given Certificates of Commendation for their professional and consistent service to CCGA-Pacific, while Gabriel was presented with the Gerry Moka Award for work in search and rescue (SAR) prevention.

As deputy unit leader and boating safety officer, Gabriel organizes elementary and high school boating safety programs with her team and is responsible for fundraising money for a safe boating vessel.

Unit leader Spottiswoode is responsible for orga-

**HONOURS A2**



**SPRING IS SPRINGING:** Stephanie Ditlof enjoys the various shades of purple as she checks out the crocuses blooming in the garden at Fernwood Elementary School.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Funding sinks Sea Breeze underwater cable project

Plans to construct an underwater cable around the Gulf Islands fizzled when Sea Breeze Power Corp. withdrew its application at the B.C. Utilities Commission (BCUC) hearings in Vancouver last week.

Sea Breeze counsel John Landry told the commission on March 1 that the company had to withdraw its application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct a 550-MW direct-current submarine cable because of new evidence regarding funding

for a rival plan by the B.C. Transmission Corporation (BCTC), which is backed by B.C. Hydro.

The BCUC recently heard that the BCTC project to reinforce existing power lines (the Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement project, or VITR) would be funded by a 100 per cent provincially guaranteed debt. Meanwhile, the Sea Breeze proposal involved a 72 per cent debt for their \$300-million plan, which would have resulted in increased costs.

Prior to the filing of the

CPCN application for the Vancouver Island Cable (VIC), Sea Breeze had been granted formal intervenor status in the BCTC application. And Sea Breeze will still participate in the public hearing process to oppose the issuance of a CPCN for the BCTC proposal.

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# Snoopy spots cougar on Maliview

North-end residents are under alert after a cougar was spotted in a backyard on Maliview Drive on Monday morning.

Alerted by her dog Snoopy, Imelda Edwards spied the cougar in her garden on Maliview around 10 a.m. Monday from a distance of 15-20 metres.

"When I first saw him, I thought it must be a kangaroo, the first few seconds of

him loping away. But then I realized — with the long tail and the colour — what he was, and he was a small guy, only a baby."

The cougar turned and ran as soon as he saw her, Edwards said.

"I wouldn't want to say, 'kitty kitty,' but he was more afraid of me than I was of him."

Edwards was relieved that Snoopy offered an unsuc-

cessful chase because a beagle would be no match for a cornered cougar, even if it was only a small one.

She's heard of cougars living on the island before and hopes to update islanders with her sighting.

"He's obviously living in this territory. I thought I should report it because other people would like to know."

Parents, staff and students at Fernwood Elementary

School, located in the neighborhood, were advised to exercise extra caution.

Local animal control officer Wolfgang Brunnwieser noted that he also spotted cougar tracks on the slopes of the mountains in the south end during a patrol on Saturday.

Islanders can contact his office (537-9414), RCMP or the provincial conservation officer (1-800-663-9453) upon any cougar sighting or suspicious animal kill.

# Local fire budget leaps 25 per cent

Salt Spring taxpayers will pay 25.3 per cent more for their fire department's operations in 2006 than they did in 2005.

The Salt Spring Fire Protection District board has received provincial community services ministry approval for a \$915,700 budget, up from \$730,500 in 2005 and \$616,500 the year before, said fire board chair Ted Hinds last week.

The figures do not include long-term debt costs, he noted.

In other fire district news: Salt Spring's professional firefighters are now part of the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF).

It only took a few meetings between IAFF and fire district representatives to

reach an agreement and the process was a smooth one, said Hinds.

Three employees are affected, with fire chief Dave Enfield and deputy chief Dan Akerman excluded from the bargaining unit as management personnel.

"Until then, they were not represented by a union," explained Hinds.

"Unfortunately it means we have to come up with some extra funds."

However, he added, the group was flexible in the compensation matter.

"We were able to develop a plan over five years to bring them up to the standard of the rest of the province."

Three seats on the fire board must be filled this year, with an election, if needed,

set for Saturday, March 25 (with an advance poll on March 18).

Positions currently held by trustees Dan Lee, Don Irwin and Michael Schubart are expiring.

Nominations for the position close at 4 p.m. on Friday, March 10. Required documents and details are available at the Ganges fire hall or by phoning Carole Gear (537-9255) or Thomas Moore (250-472-0059).

Expressions of interest for design of a new Ganges-area fire hall are being solicited.

Concerns about the stability of the current downtown hall were raised in the Fire Underwriters' Survey released last year.

The study found "that the

building was nowhere near an acceptable level for a post-disaster building," said Hinds.

Trustees feel remaining at the same site is not desirable.

Not only would it cost more than a million dollars to bring the structure and associated equipment up to the standard required but the department would be stuck with the same site deficiencies: lack of parking and obstacles to getting onto the road quickly.

A referendum or counter-petition would be required to approve the expenditure.

"Until we get some idea of what the cost is going to be, it's pure speculation," said Hinds.

# SEA BREEZE

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competing against a project with 100 per cent debt financing," said BCUC chair Robert Hobbs on Monday.

Although Sea Breeze withdrew its CPCN application, it became clear on Friday that Sea Breeze continues to believe VIC is a better alternative than VITR for meeting Vancouver Island requirements and for providing access

for renewable energy projects and exports.

Consequently, the BCUC will still hear a revised VIC proposal from Sea Breeze, which suggests that B.C. Hydro own and BCTC manage an underwater cable connecting Vancouver Island to the Lower Mainland.

"Mr. Hobbs' ruling ensures that

starting next week, VIC will be back in the limelight," reported a press release from Island Residents Against High Voltage Overhead Lines (IRAHVOL).

IRAHVOL lawyer David Austin will continue to argue that BCTC did not properly evaluate HVDC light technology on alternate routes, nor on the routes proposed by IRAHVOL in the capital plan.

# HONOURS

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nizing the 30-plus volunteer members and has done more than 500 hours of Search and Rescue pager crew and training.

Unit coxswain Meek, who

trains unit members in SAR and boat handling, has completed a rigid hull inflatable training course in Bamfield and other leadership expectations. He has operated the

Ganges One on numerous SAR missions as co-crew with the Ganges Coast Guard base.

Awards were presented at the Renaissance Harbour-side Hotel.

# Motorists face fines, collisions

A 19-year-old male Salt Spring driver netted \$305 in fines after he pulled in front of an RCMP vehicle and narrowly avoided a collision at Gasoline Alley on Saturday.

The driver received tickets for driving without due consideration and failing to display an "N" sign.

In another incident, a deer jumped in front of a 16-year-old male driver, causing him to lose control and slide into a ditch against a utility pole on Robinson Road Sunday.

There was no injury to the driver and the vehicle suffered only minor damage.

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**TEAM MOTH:** Ready to tackle the gypsy moth problem on the ground are some of the 43 registered volunteers: clockwise from top left, Delaine Faulkner, Hannah Brown, Steve Grayson, Tom Pickett, Leslie Wallace and Anne Macey.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

## GYPSY MOTH PLAN

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alternate plan, especially the farmers who will maintain their organic certification."

On Thursday, MOFAR specialists will provide training for local volunteers to conduct egg-mass searches. As of Monday, 43 people had signed up and Ebata was overwhelmed by the islanders' response.

"Originally we thought it would just be a small group training the trainers, but it looks like everyone and his dog wants to get involved."

It will be essential to have a large number of trained

volunteers to make the plan successful, he said.

"The issue with the alternatives, if it doesn't work, it doesn't preclude the chances of us from coming back with aerial spraying the following year. It depends on what we find," Ebata said.

The next step will be to organize contractors for ground spraying.

"We'll be using an alternative formulation called Dipel, which is actually acceptable to organic farming."

In addition to concerns about a sufficient numbers

of volunteers, he also wonders about acquiring access to private land within the 390 hectares of affected area.

"Although we will be getting an order in council to provide us the authority to enter private land, it would be much nicer to avoid confrontation and have approval from the land owners to enter the property without having to order them."

For information about the gypsy-moth program and to register for the training, contact Leslie Wallace (law@saltspring.com).

## Food research on the table

A group of islanders has cooked up a food security project and needs local help to get it off the burner.

The project aims to develop a long-term food security system, including agriculture and food production, mechanisms for distributing food, and individual/family access to high quality and nutritious fare.

Launched by Salt Spring Community Services, the project also involves stakeholder groups such as Island Natural Growers, the Gulf Islands Coalition for Children and Families, the Earth Festival Society/Community Energy Strategy, Salt Springers for Safe Food and the Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA).

Local researcher Pat Reichert has been contracted to coordinate and facilitate the project, which is funded by VIHA's Community Action Initiative.

"It is our intent," states a Community Services press release, "that from this comprehensive perspective we can build consensus around the food security priorities for our community as a whole."

The project's first objective is to document and assess the community's capacity for responding to food security needs, looking at issues such as local food production, energy use, access to food and emergency readiness.

Its second objective will be to facilitate discussions among key groups, bringing together representatives from the agricultural, education, social services, business, health and local government sectors.

"Through a process of collaboration, we hope to build a framework for community food security action."

As the project gets underway, organizers hope islanders will begin thinking about ways in which their groups or agencies could participate.

Further information can be obtained by contacting Reichert at 537-4282 or Community Services representative Rob Grant at 537-9971.

## Driftwood up for eight B.C. awards

Gulf Islands Driftwood staff and publications have been nominated for eight provincial newspaper industry awards covering all aspects of the business.

Based on entries in the Ma Murray Newspaper Awards competition for 2005, judges put Driftwood in the top three in the following categories:

- General Excellence for B.C. and Yukon papers of circulation between 4,001 and 13,000;
- Special section for papers under 10,000 circulation, for Day in the Life of Salt Spring;
- Tourism publication for the Gulf Islander;
- Website;
- Feature series, for Family

Violence supplement stories written by staffers Mitchell Sherrin and Sean McIntyre, and contributor Tanya Lester;

- Business writing, for Susan Lundy's story on SeaChange Seafoods;

- Local cartoon, for a Dennis Parker "Salt Spring affordable house" cartoon;

- Advertising campaign (for local designers, called Style on Salt Spring, a collaboration of sales rep Tracy Stibbards, writer/photographer Emma Yardley and ad designer Kaye Segee).

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# Conservancy funds kept out of Ruckle Park's expansion

**"Our mandate doesn't include recreational parks." — SSIC president Maureen Bendick**

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Fundraisers might be celebrating plans to acquire 100 acres adjoining Ruckle Park by the end of March, but Salt Spring Island Conservancy (SSIC) won't join the party.

"We heard about it and know about it and we're happy and supportive that that's going to happen down there," said SSIC president Maureen Bendick.

But the local conservation group will pass on putting funds into the new provincial Cusheon Cove park.

SSIC aims to take care of natural areas and assist property owners to make conservation covenants, she said.

"Our mandate doesn't include recreational parks. The conservancy's whole constitution is to preserve and develop natural habitat preserves on Salt Spring. . . What little funds we have, we have to conserve and

they'll go toward a conservation purchase to keep in its natural state."

Bendick acknowledged that SSIC recently partnered with The Land Conservancy of B.C. (TLC) and B.C. Parks to help raise \$650,000 for the purchase of parkland at Mount Erskine, but she stipulated Mount Erskine is a "park reserve" — unlike a recreational park.

"We were very concerned that it be under a special designation as park reserve so that doesn't involve camping or commercial use or wouldn't open it up to a lodge or anything being up there. It's to be protected in its natural state."

Bendick also confirmed that SSIC retained approximately \$125,000 (about the same as the B.C. Parks contribution) after the Mount Erskine purchase.

"It's a similar amount, but B.C. Parks bought, they didn't donate, into the title. The amount that was over and above what was necessary for the purchase was membership driven."

And SSIC consulted with its major donors about holding onto extra funds for future purchases, she said.

"That's why it's sitting there — with their permission, basically."

The province of B.C. has already committed its share toward the \$2.7-million purchase of Chris Hatfield's property at Cusheon Cove, as reported in last week's Driftwood.

But provincial money is only part of the deal and that money comes with a deadline, said Ian Atherton, supervisor of land acquisitions of parks and protected areas branch with the Ministry of Environment.

"Current acquisition funding expires March 31. If we don't secure the property by March 31, we end up putting the money back unspent this year and we have to go after new funding next year."

TLC signed a commitment to raise \$490,000 by the end of March and has already collected \$250,000, but needs more funds to complete the deal.

"For this type of large and complex acquisition, the key item is a partnership approach to spreading the costs around to multiple players," Atherton said.

Much like the park at Mount Erskine, Cusheon

Cove will be managed under the *Park Act* and both places have conservation values, he noted.

TLC director Bill Turner finds the current SSIC position inconsistent with the past.

"Huge parts of Salt Spring Island wouldn't be provincial parks if it hadn't been for the partnership arranged for the purchase of Texada Lands, for example," said Turner.

SSIC was a major contributor to the park at Mill Farm in a partnership with the province and the Capital Regional District, and the same was true with Mount Erskine and Burgoyne Bay, he noted.

"Nobody would want to argue with their right to make a decision, but provincial parks are not just for recreation; they protect huge areas of biodiversity."

And provincial parks aren't created without financial support from the public these days, he said.

"B.C. Parks put a significant chunk of money into the acquisition of Mount Erskine. Is it a two-way street, or not? I don't know."

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# Rough Count tallies island homeless

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

A "Rough Count" of the homeless population on Salt Spring generated important data last week, but volunteer counters were more impressed by stories of islanders who struggle through tough times.

As for raw numbers, 18 local volunteers with Salt Spring Community Services (SSCS) distributed 133 questionnaires to islanders over a 12-hour span on February 28 with an aim to find out how many people need housing on Salt Spring.

A few more questionnaires were collected later, to total 42 responses from people who live in "substandard housing" and another 28 islanders who called themselves "homeless."

"The saddest stories were from the people who felt like they weren't homeless

because they were living in cars or whatever," said Betty Pinchin.

Volunteers also met people who live in tents, boats and travel trailers without heat or hot water but refused to be counted.

"There are actually people living in substandard housing who've forgotten what it's like to live in reasonable accommodations," said SSCS director of adult services Paul Gregory.

And Margaret McLaughlin noted that many islanders live in substandard housing that poses health risks from mold and mildew.

"It's almost healthier to live outdoors," McLaughlin said.

Volunteers expressed remorse over reports of "vigilantes" who attack homeless encampments on the island.

"We all know that Freedom Camp was cleaned out,"

said Barry Pinchin. "But we know we are going to have another Freedom Camp for sure."

"The health of a community is gauged on how well it treats its marginal citizens," said George Taylor. "And I don't think we are doing very well."

SSCS executive director Rob Grant noted that not everyone who has substandard housing needs intervention.

"A house is not always a home and a home is not always a house," Grant said.

He would like more information about how to provide support for people who choose to live in boats, tents, trailers or other alternative arrangements.

"Homelessness in and of itself is not a reason for intrusion and intervention," Grant said.

"I'd like to make sure they're not malnourished

and freezing in whatever situation they're in."

Grant noted that the "Rough Count" conducted by the Victoria Cool Aid Society found approximately 140 people without shelter to generate an estimated homeless count of 700.

"We've got a piece of very similar research, but I don't think we've got the whole story yet."

But he doesn't believe you can ever collect an absolute count of the homeless population by the very nature of their transient and alternative lifestyle.

During Monday's debriefing, counters decided to extend the "Rough Count" until the end of March and conduct another count before the end of May.

Temporary shelter options on the island currently include a house for teens and two homes for adults.

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**FOOD FOR ALL:** Local Masons Don Cunningham, Robert McSween and Randy Sloan applaud as Salt Spring's new food bank is officially opened amid much ceremony and celebration last Thursday afternoon.  
Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Police called to party

Police attended a noisy party with approximately 70 youth present on Castillou Way after receiving a complaint on Saturday evening.

The party was moved indoors and the owner received a warning regarding noise bylaw tickets.

Earlier that same evening, an intoxicated man was charged with mischief and assaulting a police officer when Salt Spring RCMP attended a residential disturbance call.

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## Trustees confirm Rainbow tennis site

An indoor tennis facility proposed for construction at Rainbow Road could soon become one of Salt Spring's tallest structures following a motion at the Local Trust Committee (LTC) meeting at ArtSpring on February 28.

Salt Spring trustee George Ehring and LTC chair Kim Benson approved an application to allow the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) to build a 15.3-metre tall (50-foot) facility under the proviso that applicants provide a detailed site plan that will reduce the impact of the building's height on the sloping property.

"I'm struggling to mitigate the height. It's a substantial structure," said Ehring.

A development variance permit would allow PARC to exceed the existing height restriction (7.6 metres or 25 feet) by more than double to build the fabric skin and rigid-framed tennis facility.

PARC chair Rosemary Trump noted that the building would be sandwiched between an existing house (approximately 25 feet tall

and backing forest (with trees in the 60- to 70-foot range).

Ehring thanked PARC representatives for withdrawing a second and simultaneous application to re-zone Portlock Park to permit a tennis building, saving the LTC from having to make a tennis-facility location decision.

"I'm happy to see that you decided to pick a site yourself," he said.

But a few opponents voiced disapproval of the proposed Rainbow Road location during an earlier town hall meeting at ArtSpring.

"Why are we planning to spend \$80,000 to cover two tennis courts?" asked Ben Goodman.

He called for PARC representatives to "simply replace the bubble" and urged LTC trustees to reject the application, suggesting that a height variance would set a precedent for "high-rises" in Ganges.

But Benson later pointed out — in response to a

question from youth trustee Elizabeth Cronin — that a variance permit is site-specific and no precedent would be set.

And Ehring indicated that the LTC has no mandate to determine the feasibility of tennis structure plans.

"It's not for the Trust to figure out how the building will pay for itself."

LTC trustee Peter Lamb stepped out of the meeting because of his long-standing involvement with the Salt Spring Tennis Association.

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The club itself is home to 500 resident-members, and this new restaurant is open to both members and the general public alike. Richard and Shinobu have completely renovated the space, and have signed a lease through 2011.

The menu incorporates the same flavour diners currently enjoy at the market-café, and though there is no wood burning oven, the grilled entrées are remarkable unto themselves.



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# Rainbow Grove project seeking water covenant

Salt Spring Local Trust Committee (LTC) trustees approved a potable drinking water covenant for the 25 lots of Rainbow Grove's Phase II subdivision during their regular public meeting at ArtSpring on February 28.

The covenant indicates that water on the 25 properties is not potable (as defined by the land use bylaw) and that property owners must agree to treat the water. All future owners, tenants and lenders must be notified about the covenants.

Trustees also approved a further covenant that restricts use on two properties at the Rainbow Grove subdivision due to an insufficient volume of water on the Juniper Place sites.

Applicant Mel Topping and co-owners Parks O'Connor and Parks Investments Ltd. agreed to build no more than a single family dwelling on each property because construction of a seasonal cottage is not permitted.

Phase I of Rainbow Grove has been the subject of controversy regarding availability of potable water.

In other LTC news: Trustees moved to initiate a review of the island's official community plan (OCP) as one of their top priorities.

"The public has been waiting for a long time," said LTC trustee George Ehring. "There will be lots of task forces and at least a year of discussion."

Trustee Peter Lamb indicated that trustees "would be unlikely to proceed" with amenity zoning or density transfer applications during the OCP review.

"The tools themselves have been quite controversial, but the implementation has caused us some problems," Lamb said.

"It's important that the public know we are going to review those policies."

As the first step of the OCP review, trustees would like to contract a community profile.

Trustees moved to support creation of an "area farm plan" in partnership with the Farmers Institute and Island Natural Growers. The farm plan will "work hand in hand with the OCP review about to be launched," said Ehring.

The LTC approved \$5,000 funding for the project, and the province is expected to contribute another \$5,000. Those funds will be matched by the non-profit B.C. Investment Agricultural Foundation.

Salt Spring will host the full Islands Trust Council quarterly meeting at ArtSpring on March 8-10. An agenda is available on the Islands Trust website ([www.islandstrust.bc.ca](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca)) and will be posted at the arts centre.

Council will consider a budget that could see a 12.8 per cent hike in the Islands Trust portion of property taxes requisitioned this year. The Trust accounts for about 10 per cent of a total Salt Spring property tax bill.



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The Local Parcel Tax Review Panel will hear only those appeals filed in writing with the undersigned at least 48 hours in advance of its sitting.

A copy of the complete rolls will be available for inspection at the offices of the Capital Regional District, 524 Yates Street, Victoria, British Columbia between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and Ganges Building Inspection, Suite 206-118 Fulford/Ganges Road (above the Post Office), Ganges, British Columbia, between the hours of 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, commencing March 8, 2006

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## Affordable housing options released

A preliminary plan to provide affordable housing on Salt Spring was framed to lock-up at the Local Trust Committee (LTC) meeting at ArtSpring on February 28.

Tanya Lester presented LTC members with the 39-page final report from the Salt Spring Community Housing Task Force (SSCHF) during the meeting.

The SSCHF plan recommends "a broad diversity of community housing initiatives" based on successful examples from other jurisdictions.

The group also proposed creating an independent housing agency or authority that would be legally protected under the umbrella of an existing organization.

"Qualifying households would include . . . members of the community unable to

find affordable and suitable housing on the open market."

The task force suggested that community housing could be provided by for-profit developers, individual homeowners who agree to rent a suite or cottage and non-profit groups that may build or acquire housing.

"It appears that the greatest current need is in the rental sector in the \$450 to \$750 range."

The SSCHF report recommends, "Incentives should be used to encourage homeowners to create additional affordable rental housing, particularly within the village containment boundaries."

A need for deed-restricted ownership housing was also presented with a target of

creating three to five houses in the \$120,000 to \$200,000 price range.

And the SSCHTF suggested that the LTC review the official community plan in light of affordable housing needs.

"Any measures that reduce real estate speculation assist in the provision of affordably-priced housing for island residents."

LTC trustee George Ehring expressed thanks for the SSCHTF work and indicated that the LTC will take the report under consideration.

"It's time to move beyond the words to action," Ehring said.

Copies of the Community Housing Background Report and Recommendations are available at the Ganges Islands Trust office.

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# CRD budget pegs 7.6 local hike

By GARY HOLMAN  
SSI Regional Director  
The Capital Regional District (CRD) Board will approve its 2006 tax requisition, including for Salt Spring, at a special meeting on March 29.

The overall CRD requisition will be about \$3.3 million, or about \$504 per average residence, excluding sewer and water utilities. This represents about \$235,000 more, or a 7.6 per cent increase, over 2005 CRD tax levels, and compares to a 16.5 per cent increase in average residential assessments. (Note that this increase is higher than the preliminary estimates presented in a March 1 Driftwood article.)

The main sources of the tax increase are Salt Spring's contribution to CRD-wide costs (0.7 per cent), increased funding for emergency planning (1.4), increased funding to help pay for the library land acquisition (1.2), inclusion in the CRD Regional Housing Trust Fund (1.2) and for pool-related borrowing by the Parks and Recreation Commission (1 per cent).

Most of these tax increases follow from referendum-approved initiatives or commitments I made during the 2005 election.

The increase in Salt

## CRD REPORT

Spring's contribution to CRD-wide costs (including CRD Parks, CRD Hospital District, and general administration), is due to non-discretionary cost increases such as staff salary increases.

As I promised during the 2005 referendum, I will be supporting requisition increases for the library to its existing maximum legal authority in order to cover the costs of land for a new facility in Ganges village. As I also stated during the election, I am supporting an increased budget for emergency planning. This increase is needed to put our essential, but often overlooked emergency planning service on a more sustainable footing and to cover Salt Spring's cost share of a new coordinator for the three electoral areas in the CRD.

During the election, I stated that I would support a modest levy to support affordable housing projects on Salt Spring. Despite a severe need, and unlike a number of other communities in the Capital Region, Salt Spring has never provided any kind of ongoing tax

support for affordable housing. I decided to opt us into the CRD Regional Housing Trust Fund, joining six other member municipalities.

The annual \$36,000 cost amounts to about \$5.50 per household. This funding can only be used to support non-profit entities, must comprise no more than 10 per cent of total project cost, and is focussed on rental accommodation. I believe there is an excellent chance we can secure Housing Trust Fund support for the 27-unit Murakami project in Ganges this year, thus providing an immediate return on investment for Salt Spring taxpayers.

PARC's initial 2006 budget request was for a requisition increase of almost \$350,000. I could not support this request, even though all of it was earmarked for the pool. To its credit, the commission was attempting to cover pool cost overruns without adding to our debt burden. I proposed, and PARC agreed, that it would be appropriate to cover some of the pool cost overrun by increasing our 15-year debt from \$2.5 to \$2.9 million. Minimizing debt load is a worthy goal, but even at \$2.9 million, PARC is borrowing \$1.3 million less than approved by referendum in 2004, and \$3 million less than the current estimated

cost of the pool.

The borrowing provides for an increased contingency allowance to \$500,000, which at this point in construction, and with many larger contracts awarded, should adequately cushion against further cost increases. The borrowing also will free up some reserves to maintain other recreation facilities.

I will be increasing my administration and grant-in-aid budgets for the first time since 2002. My admin budget increase of about \$6,000 is to cover the island's SSI share of the CRD director salary increase approved by the CRD Board in 2002. As I stated during the 2005 election, I have deferred this higher salary for the past three years, and will now accept it. The grant-in-aid budget increase is about \$3,000 over the 2002 level.

Copies of this article and the preliminary budget will be available soon at the building inspection office. I will be speaking to the CRD budget at a public meeting on March 24 (noon at Lions Hall).

If you have any questions or comments, you can contact me at 653-2075 or at directorssi@crd.bc.ca.

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# Channel Ridge trail agreement in the works

Public access to well-established trails at Channel Ridge is close to being guaranteed in writing.

Channel Ridge Properties Ltd. (CRPL), the Capital Regional District (CRD) and Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) have been working on a draft licence of use that would see the CRD accept liability and maintenance responsibility for trails in the 800 acres of CRPL property that is

expected to remain undeveloped.

Trails would be accessed for pedestrian, equestrian and non-motorized bicycle use only.

At recent PARC meetings, commission members expressed concerns about CRPL's ability to opt out of the agreement with six months notice after the first five years has expired — with the CRD having the same right.

"We want to see these are public

trails in perpetuity," said commissioner Carol Dodd.

Others suggested the CRD and PARC might want a legal "out" written into the contract. But CRPL president Jim Rogers confirmed last week his company wasn't looking for a future out in the proposed licence of use.

"This isn't a short-term thing for us." PARC is soliciting more legal input into the issue.

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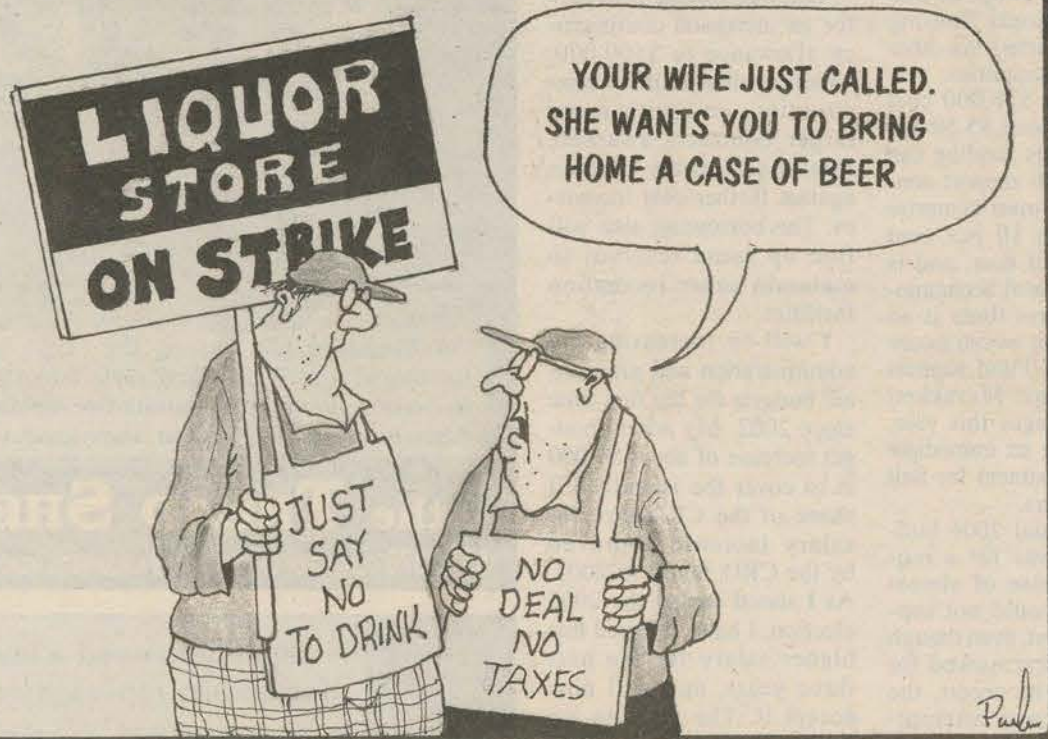
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## Spring has sprung alongside first cancer-cure pitch

By ROY PRESHAW

The first Anna's hummingbird is at the feeders in Fulford, and at Lions Hall on March 2, the first cancer-cure salesman was mentoring the faithful.

Professor Gerry Potter, from Montfort University in England, was brought to our island to provide breathless news of his latest discoveries in cancer care (that's Gerry Potter, not Harry — he is a fictional English alchemist of equal renown).

Cancer cures find a ready market in any elderly population. At least two of the audience publicly confessed to struggling with this impossible disease. Snake oil salesmen spread out from Chicago to rural Iowa and Nebraska in the 1890s bearing the good news of

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cancer cures: Johannes Fibiger of Denmark got the Nobel prize in 1926 for discovering spiroptera carcinoma, the parasite which causes cancer (at least in 1926); Max Garson (quoted approvingly at the meeting) cured terminal cases with organic diets — but has his therapy declared illegal by the U.S. federal authorities; and professor Potter claimed he has discovered a class of organic substances derived from fruits which killed off cancer cells in test tubes.

He is a genuine professor with an extensive list of publications in the scientific literature, but none

of his work on these new substances ("Salvestrols") has been published in any journal available on the Internet.

Professor Potter is, however, more than pleased to advise you to buy his product, which is manufactured in England by his company (Natures Defence) and sold in Canada by Natures Defence Canada on its website (shipping included).

Professor Potter suggested you should try his preparation to treat cancer, but he was careful to point out that this does not work for everyone.

The website advises two to three capsules of Salvestrol Professional daily for three months and "... as much Salvestrol Gold as you like ..." I calculated that three

capsules of each daily for three months would cost me \$1,272, but of course I would not have to pay postage.

When asked why his products have been negatively reviewed by Cancer Research UK, a government-funded institution, he replied that they probably feel their jobs are threatened by his discoveries.

To another question about clinical trials of these agents, professor Potter blissfully stated that any trials would take years to provide results and he was more interested in making these discoveries available to the public now.

I guess the fact that he profits from these sales is somehow incidental.

His theories find much support among the proponents of organ-

ic horticulture. Professor Potter thought that perhaps a diet rich in Salvestrols would prevent cancer cells from proliferating and he advanced the theory that modern use of fungicides might be contributing to our present incidence of this disease.

In absence of suitable organic food (not a problem on Salt Spring), he suggested a Salvestrol a day might keep the doctor away.

I had thought my contribution to the environment this year would be to trade in my truck for a Smart Car. Maybe I'll just spend it all on Natures Defence.

*The writer is a humanistic colonoscopist now working on Salt Spring.*

## Ice rink can be secured with a P-3 partnership plan

By DWIGHT JONES

It is September 4, 2007. A handful of high school kids are walking up from the Scholarship boat on the first day of school, back on Salt Spring for the first time in months. In the distance behind the school, they see what looks like the slanting roof of a large barn.

A cheer begins and soon every student within hearing range is pointing, hollering and cheering. Fists are pumping, they race toward the building. Salt Spring has built its rink.

This is a very real, even probable scenario. There are a number of reasons for this:

There is a rink footprint on the Rainbow Road PARC property that is high, hard, flat and dry. It shields the neighbours and leaves the middle of the site open to park-like landscaping, front-

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pool, rink, tennis and other groups. It is one block from the high school.

Recent estimates received by the Salt Spring Ice Park Society show that a simple pastoral building, identical to the riding barn at Blennerhassett Equestrian Centre (the old Hughes farm) can be placed there for about \$800,000. The refrigeration plant, NHL-sized cement floor and hockey boards, installed, cost no more than \$900,000. With a two-storey structure alongside, housing two squash courts, dressing rooms and offices, the total is just \$2.1 to \$2.5 million. This quote comes from a very local firm that has built

PPP. Huh? A PPP "public-private partnership" or P3 is a "cooperative venture between the public and private sectors, built on the expertise of each partner, that best meets clearly defined public needs through the appropriate allocation of resources, risks and rewards." (See www.pppcouncil.ca).

In this instance, PARC would lease the land required to a business, who would build and operate a private ice rink, at no cost to the taxpayers. These P3s are lean and efficient, and many provincial projects are being done this way. They are ideal for ice rinks.

• Comparing a "municipal rink" with a "PPP rink."

If a community builds and operates a municipal rink, it bears all the capital costs, with its annual deficits, as taxes. These rinks usually

hockey and figure skating grab the evening ice time at a suicidal discount, while the schools ignore ice sports.

In a PPP rink the community pays nothing for capital costs and never covers a deficit; there is no tax increase. The rink charges prime rates for prime time and gets it from adults. It then behooves the schools to implement ice sports into their physical education programs, during school hours, or it's very early mornings for the kids.

As a former ice rink programmer, I know how to serve either master and avoid deficits — bring in off-island adult hockey teams. Run a tournament here every weekend, fill up the hotel and restaurant businesses during our dark winters, and charge them for it.

In a private rink it's fully "user-pay," which means the

profit have to be borne by those members alone. This would be a "winter club," just like a golf club, curling club, etc. It would be much more expensive to skate, but skiing costs big money too.

In a municipal rink the whole community shares the cost of the rink, not just the skaters. On our island, that means all those owners and speculators who somehow disappear in winter would share the capital cost with us. Nota bene, affordable Salt Spring, a \$40 tax increase means ice sports are not reserved for the elite.

There's no need for profit above break-even, just lease the rink to SIPS at cost and let the society incorporate School District 64, adult teams and market the events. Everybody would see much-reduced fees, with no annual deficits. We can do this.

make it happen before the site is pre-empted! This is cultural development that is sacred and long overdue. Art Spring is an example of such "development."

Oh yes, there are the tree-huggers. More trees burn each week on the sides of Mount Erskine and are scheduled to die daily on Channel Ridge than are on the entire PARC site, which was bought, rezoned and reserved for this rink, but ... please — it's getting very old — leave the kids alone and help us build something for their health.

Come to the ice park meeting on Thursday, March 9 at 7 p.m. at the Portlock Park portable.

*The writer is a SIPS executive member who can be reached at icepark@telus.*

# SALT SPRING SAYS

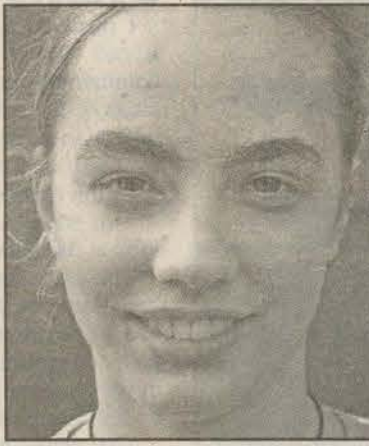
We asked Salt Spring students: *What do you plan to do over spring break?*



**Jessica Sehult**  
*Going to Ucluelet.*



**Tess Bourguignon**  
*Road tripping to Hornby in my sister's new convertible.*



**Bonnie Williamson**  
*Help with my friend's rabbits and pack for the Quebec exchange trip.*



**Kaz Johnston**  
*Skateboarding!*



**Orion Dawn-Prince**  
*Skateboarding, hanging out with friends and chillin' at home.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Oppose card

I've now read two articles about the new system being considered by B.C. Ferries — the Coast Card — not to be confused with the Coast Guard, whose members actually try and save somebody.

The introduction of a system that uses new technology sounds reasonable, if for no other reason than reducing our dependence on paper.

Having said that I am opposed to the suggestion that a "time limit" may be introduced at the same time.

The ferry corporation seems to be trying to justify this move by stating that the current discount books are categorized as "commuter fares" and intended for frequent travellers. I submit that all of us who leave Salt Spring Island from time to time are commuters and with only one choice in "highway."

Possibly just changing the nomenclature to "residents discount" they won't feel compelled to penalize those of us that may take up to a year or more to use up the 10 trips. I am reminded that

they have had the use of my money for all that time.

The spin to sell this concept has been that the new system will avoid the indiscriminate sharing of these tickets or having them stolen out of our vehicles.

How often does this happen? If it's 10 per cent of the time that would be huge, but this also means that 90 per cent of people are being penalized for these dastardly deeds.

This sounds like a selling feature conceived by a public relations department directed to come up with some selling points in order to soften the blow.

Where's the champion for the ferry-dependent residents who have already been forced to pay significant rate increases over the last few years?

In closing, I must say that as a fairly regular user of the system, I am always impressed by the "people on the ground," so to speak. They do a great job, but we all need a break from the "small bite" inflation that is rampant in this day and age. My suggestion, and the purpose of this letter, is that we

strongly voice our concerns before the final decision is made.

**GREG HARMESON,**  
Salt Spring

### Free speed bumps

Salt Spring Island's potholes have become famous and in some people's mind even an embarrassment.

I have a different take on the state of our roads and I have discovered that I am not alone.

One friend said, tongue in cheek I warrant you, "Don't they realize that potholes are just free speed bumps?"

Another friend said, continuing on with this theme, "The condition of our roads forces us to go more slowly and I like that."

Our roads remind me every day that I live on an island . . . not in the city or even suburbia. They are one reminder island living is different. Perhaps they even say something about our values.

Maybe they say we (islanders) are not so driven by the automobile as people in the city. Maybe they say we

don't even care if we have to travel slowly. In fact, maybe we like going slowly.

Everywhere we look it is beautiful. And we can enjoy this more if we are travelling slowly. We can enjoy the views of our hedgerows, pastures, trees, glimpses of the ocean or maybe a deer or two as we drive slowly down our roads.

Maybe our roads remind us of a time when everyone travelled more slowly. When there were fewer cars on the road and people walked more.

Maybe this is one of the reasons tourists like to visit our island. They like to be reminded of that time, when life was not so hectic. They come to slow down and enjoy the beauty . . . even if it is just for a few days.

Maybe we should cherish our potholes.

I would like to see more emphasis on making our roads pedestrian and cycle safe/friendly, so islanders and tourists are encouraged to travel even more slowly. If I had my way, I would spend more money on pedestrian and bike trails and not worry

so much about our "free speed bumps."

**JEAN GELWICKS,**  
Island Pathways member

### Great pride

That was a vivid report on the audience's reaction to the performance of the Lost Chords Choir in Duncan in last week's paper.

However, a very important detail concerning the origins of the choir was omitted — the fact that it is a product of great pride of the Salt Spring Seniors Services Society.

The Lost Chords meet every Tuesday morning at the Seniors Centre and, under the direction of Shirley Bunyan, fill the centre with joyous song.

The community of Salt Spring Island in general and Salt Spring Seniors Services Society in particular are indeed fortunate to be blessed with the generosity, enthusiasm and expertise of Shirley Bunyan.

**BETTY POOLE,**  
Samuel Crescent

### What's fair?

Here's a great idea for those home owners who are financially unable to afford

the rise in property taxes!

Pieter Timmermans of Ucluelet writes, "I think a fairer system would be to fix the assessment at the purchase price when a buyer buys a home and [allowing for inflation] to leave it there so long as the owners keep it as their principal residence. When the home is sold, the assessment is reset to current market value and the new owner pays taxes on that figure."

What's not fair to those whose wages, incomes, pensions etc. have not kept up with the skyrocketing real estate prices is apparently fair to the get-rich-quick flippers who use housing as their currency, rather than their housing need.

The question is: whose interpretation of fair has most power differential?

Should not those of us interested in the housing situation have this plan examined?

Write a letter, tell a friend.

**GARY LUNDY,**  
Ganges

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## Salt Spring's share of Trust taxes is out of control

By ERIC BOOTH

Trust, your taxes are going up. What a difference a comma and a capital T makes in the meaning of the previous sentence.

We can always trust our taxes will go up, but this year's Islands Trust tax increases will exceed even my expectations.

According to the latest Islands Trust news release there will likely be a \$452,000 increase, of which Salt Spring's share will be about 40 per cent or an additional \$180,000 tax dollars, each and every year. This will bring our island's "share" to about \$1.9 million a year.

According to the release, the majority of this increase (75 per cent or \$340,000) is primarily related to reductions in the provincial grant, and the BCGEU employee agreement that is negotiated by the province. I love it when someone uses "majority" and "primarily" in one sentence to effectively shrink figures. The wage increase amounts to

### GUEST COLUMN

\$219,000 or 48 per cent of the total increase.

That's bad enough, but let's shed some light on the \$58,000 reduction in the provincial grant. At my very first Trust Council meeting I questioned council as to why we shouldn't be lobbying the provincial government to increase, not decrease, the grant from the province.

I was told, in no uncertain terms, by then council chair David Essig, that the previous council had actually endorsed the plan for reductions because its members felt it would lead to greater autonomy for the Islands Trust. This was in the days of the now mythical Trust governance renewal and Islands Trust regional district schemes.

So, unless there has been a change of heart suggested

at council in the last couple of months, I find it a little disingenuous for anyone to be complaining or blaming the provincial government for a reduction in the grant. As a representative of Salt Spring taxpayers, I personally found this stance to be quite unbelievable.

Interestingly enough, for all of those who feel development is skyrocketing on the islands, the budget also projects a \$20,000 revenue drop due to "an anticipated reduction in the number of development applications."

Over last year's drop in development applications, this represents a further 15 per cent decline. The hard figures thus show the rate of development on the islands is plummeting, while the cost to the taxpayer of processing applications continues to soar. Don't you just love double whammies?

How about another \$51,000 to fund the anticipated deficit for 2005/06, which is primarily due to increased legal costs?

And the spin: "If approved by

Trust Council, this would mean a property tax increase of approximately \$25 for a typical Trust area residential property assessed at \$300,000."

Reading this report in the context of Salt Spring tax dollars, you pretty much need subtitles. I would suggest a "typical" Salt Spring residential property is now assessed at \$400,000. This gives us an average increase of about \$33 per household. Once again, this increase, by itself, far exceeds the annual projected increases under a full-blown municipal mode.

Just four months ago I wrote predicting local taxes would continue their trending towards the skies.

The latest figures continue to confirm what I've been saying for the past five years — Salt Spring Island's share of Trust taxes are out of control.

Local taxes are the one area taxpayers can and should have control of. So, just before you open your mouth the next time to

complain about any form of taxation, ask yourself when was the last time you got out your pen and paper and voiced your concerns to your elected representatives? Let me repeat — "representatives." Quit complaining about taxes of any kind, unless you've started complaining to your representatives about Trust taxes.

I wish our representatives, Peter Lamb and George Ehring, the best of luck at this week's Trust Council held on Salt Spring at ArtSpring, Wednesday through Friday, as they, hopefully, voice the concerns of Salt Spring taxpayers. They'll need it.

On a related note, I heard the other day Health Canada has issued a warning to all Salt Spring Island residents of the dangers of holding your breath too long. They believe they have finally established the link between death and taxes.

*The writer is a former islands trustee for Salt Spring.*

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## More letters

### Enforcing VR bylaws

I received a letter from a friend who is a lawyer. He commented on the repercussions of the official community plan bylaw being used to shut down short-term vacation rentals.

This is how a lawyer would look at the issues.

The Trust says rentals by the week are a commercial use of residential property and consequently violate a bylaw and can be forbidden by enforcing that bylaw.

This raises two questions: are they right and if they are can they enforce the bylaw.

The Trust says if you rent your house by the month that is a residential use, but if you rent it for a week or two weeks or anything less than a month, it is a commercial use.

Obviously, this by itself is illogical. How can the same activity (renting your house) move from residential to commercial because of a difference between 30 days and 29 days?

So the first assumption is that there is no bylaw that can restrict rentals to only periods of time that are longer than 30 days. So no one will be in violation if they rent for less time and no action can be taken against anyone who does.

But what if the Trust's position is correct?

If the bylaw is capable of defining short-term rentals as commercial, then the conclusion that can be drawn is that the bylaw cannot be enforced against people who have already been renting their properties on a short-term basis.

If anybody — private or corporate — has a legal right vis a vis another party and does not act on that right, he loses the right to enforce it. This is called the principle of "latches."

People have always rented out property on a short-term basis and the municipality took no action. By doing so, the municipality represented to the public that there was either no bylaw against it or, if there was a bylaw, it was not enforced and would not be enforced. Real estate agents who are experts on bylaws and land use confirm this to their clients. The municipality cannot now impose restrictions on people whose property is used for that purpose on the basis of that representation.

If the municipality wants to enforce a bylaw that they have not enforced, they have to give public notice and that public notice will only affect people who intended to start renting after the notice. Anyone who has already been

renting will have that right grandfathered in.

What if the Trust passes a new bylaw?

If the municipality consults a lawyer and finds that the bylaw cannot be used for this purpose, they have the option of doing what the situation really requires and that is for them to pass a bylaw that specifically states that weekly rentals are a commercial use. That could be challenged, of course, but if it were considered legal, then those who had been renting short-term before the bylaw passed would have a non-conforming use and would be able to keep renting their property short-term.

If they sold the house or stopped renting short-term, they would lose the nonconforming use.

**WENDY BEATTY, Vesuvius**

### Time now

I would like to thank all those who responded to my opinion piece on the "oil crunch" in a recent Driftwood issue.

Responses varied from those who said, "It's not going to happen," to those who said "It's coming sooner than you suggest."

Some even offered the opinion that "overwhelming debt" would cause a collapse before the oil crunch takes effect.

Now it is learned from an article by John Vidal of the Guardian newspaper of Great Britain that Sweden is planning on being free of oil and gas dependency in 15 years. He quotes Mona Sahlin, the Swedish minister of sustainable development as saying, "Our dependency on oil should be over by 2020."

She said they intend to phase out their nuclear power generation and switch entirely to wind and solar and other alternative forms of power generation.

This Swedish action points up several vital positions:

A] They are treating the oil crunch as a real threat.

B] They are betting their future as a nation that they can beat the threat by alternative forms of power.

C] They are starting to work now.

Why are we not starting to take the problem seriously? While Sweden is embarking on drastic measures, our own B.C. government brought in a budget that showed not the slightest recognition that any such problem could exist.

But the adoption of a more benign system of power generation is only one prong of a two-pronged attack that must be undertaken.

I spoke earlier of the clear unmistakable signs that we are destroying our environment: the loss of species, global warming, the increase

of cancer and asthma, the recent testing of individuals across this country for toxins in the body, including our own Robert Bateman. These signs clearly show conditions that cannot continue.

I know from experience that we have here on Salt Spring an unusually large number of people who have both the knowledge and the ability to put in place a program to deal with both the toxic environment and the benign energy generation.

I know, too, that every single one of these talented people has large valid reasons why they are too busy to devote any time to it now!

Well, I have no "large" reasons why they have no choice — only "little" ones.

"Little" one-year-old friends who may reach the prime of their lives only to see their world collapse around them; "little" six year olds starting out on the educational road to learn to cope with a world that may no longer exist.

I'll defy anyone to look deep into the trusting, shining eyes of a little child and still say "I don't have the time right now."

**ART MORTON, Park Drive**

### Homeless vision

I am Paul Beckman, otherwise known as Palu Rainbow Song, and I am responsible for helping keep Freedom Village alive and well for the past two and a half years in Fulford before it was destroyed under the guise of "clean-up."

The February 22 Driftwood article was far from the truth. It did not reflect a balanced reporting of the issue that I thought I had portrayed in my original interview and my quotes were taken out of context and distorted.

To set the record straight, the true purpose of Freedom Village was to help overcome homelessness, starvation and poverty.

During its existence, Freedom Village helped dozens of homeless and hungry people. This is why it was included as a resource in the recent rough count of homeless people on Salt Spring.

I stood up to the "vigilantes" who took the law into their own hands and destroyed the personal property, food and utensils of the residents of Freedom Village.

I returned to my legally parked van on March 1, only to find two slashed tires.

In spite of all this, I still have a vision of hope for the homeless of Salt Spring.  
**PALU RAINBOW SONG, Salt Spring**

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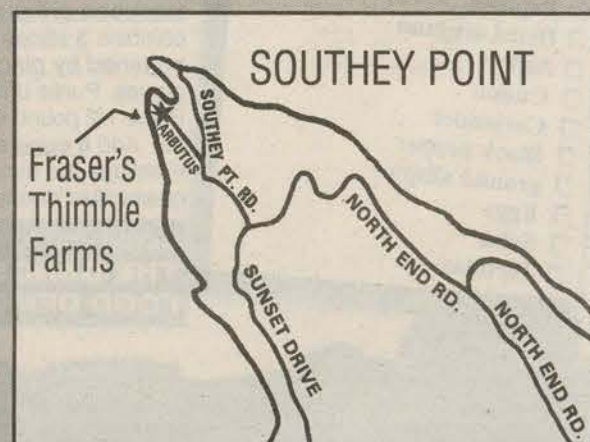
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- \* Weekly cleaning of your suite
- \* Weekly linen laundry
- \* Lifeline emergency system
- \* Evening meal
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- \* Insurance on building

There are 3 more Residences to be built to complete the village at Heritage Place. The 'Gatehouse', the administration building for the project, is under construction at the entry now. All Residences will be connected by a covered walkway. The location is superb, adjacent to the Seniors Centre and Lady Minto Hospital, with shopping right across the road.

There is no obligation to being on the waiting list. To reserve a specific suite in a specific building, a refundable \$100 fee is requested. Balsam House has been in full operation since the summer. Come and see for yourself why the residents are so happy!

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**Swallows threatened**

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This year we shall not have any swallow boxes.

I do not know if we will have swallows here. I hope so.

I hope this doesn't happen to anyone else this year.

This was foretold in a very old bird book I had printed in 1926.

**ISABEL HUNT,**  
 Sharp Road

**Biscuit warning**

There have recently been many reports from numerous news sources, including CNN, questioning the safety of Greenies dog bones. In case anyone did not see these, we thought it would be good to have something in the paper.

Included in these reports were many stories of dogs dying from pieces of Greenies becoming obstructions in the esophagus or intestines. The vets interviewed said they were seeing increasing cases of this, corresponding to the increase in popularity of Greenies.

The product claims to be fully digestible, but even the manufacturer says you need to be careful that their product is properly chewed or it could cause problems. At the moment there are a number of lawsuits against the company because of these deaths. However, there have not been any scientific studies yet, so do your own research (there is a lot of information about this on the Internet) and make your own decision about what is best for your dog.

**AMY AND CHARLES BUCHWALD,**  
 Salt Spring

**RANTS & ROSES**

*ROSES*

Does anyone actually receive the promised roses, I wonder? I made a donation to the food bank for the finder of my "elephant" keys at GVM. H

A beautiful bouquet of roses to Colter Barclay, the roofer who stopped to help when he saw us struggling to get a tarp on our skylight, smashed in by a falling branch in last week's wind-storm. He climbed a really slippery roof to do it and the next day returned and installed a new skylight. And he charged us nothing for the installation! R&P

A huge armful of orange roses to everybody involved when a big tree came down

on my house. Gordon Lee, who was here in minutes, did all the right things, including comforting me and finding Brian, the crane operator. Thanks also to the firefighters, who prevented what could have been another disaster, and finally to Peter Huser and crew who put it all back together. AW

Floral finery to Angela and Robin of Chu-An Drive, and Jena and Brenda at the SPCA for the return of Bella after a year and five months! Thanks also to everyone who helped during that time. Wonder cat! PW

A very pretty bouquet of roses to Amy at Thrifty's checkout. I always get in your line, even if it's the longest,

because you are so lovely to talk to, and you always make me laugh. A

To the 2005-06 senior boys basketball team: you are lucky to be part of such a wonderful team and we have been fortunate to see you play. Thanks for a memorable and brilliant season. Congratulations to you all and a huge bunch of roses to your coach, managers and your talented captain. S&J

A bio-diesel bus full of lavender and roses to all the community members who participated in one way or another with the film festival last weekend: Community Partners, community action groups, weekend volunteers, the organizing team and film patrons.

**Spring countdown on for GISS**

Following exam week in February, all Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) students have

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now started four new courses and extra-curricular groups are busier than ever, as GISS counts down to spring.

For Grade 12s, provincial exam results will be posted on March 14 and March 31 is the deadline for all local scholarships, which will be presented at the graduation ceremony in June.

Gulf Islands School of Performing Arts (GISPA) has just started full-company rehearsals to prepare for its spring student-composed show. Come May, the company will tour Vancouver Island and the Sunshine Coast.

The GISS music department is gearing up for a busy spring. On March 30, the junior and senior choirs will travel to Powell River to participate in the annual Sea to Sky festival.

Director Bruce Smith is also preparing his senior

jazz band and choir (accompanied by senior dance students) for a one-week trip to Cuba in the last week of April. Touring the cities of Varadero, Trinidad and Havana, the group will attend different workshops, performances and perform themselves. Smith asks that anyone who might want to sponsor a student with financial difficulties for the trip to contact him at the school (537-9944).

The GISS Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) is preparing for an anti-homophobia workshop on March 9. GSA members will then teach the techniques they learn to the GISS staff, hoping to reduce homophobia among students.

March 2 brought the Festival Francophone to GISS, where French Immersion students from grades 6-12 hosted the community in celebrating 25 years of French

Immersion on Salt Spring. The celebration was part of the Canada-wide Semaine du Francais (French week).

Work experience week ran February 27 to March 3, sending 115 Grade 10 students out into the work force. With placements including Foxglove and the coast guard here on the island, the law courts and Monday magazine in Victoria, all the way to the Arts Club Theatre and Lush cosmetics in Vancouver, students had the chance to experience a career of their choice first hand, giving them insights into the job force and sometimes even leading to summer positions.

February 21 officially ended the basketball season for the GISS Scorpions, when the senior boys team was defeated by Lambrick Park, placing them third in the islands tournament. The team lost a provincial championship berth by only one seat.

Finally, on March 9, the school will welcome spring break with open arms at the first school-wide dance of the year. The Spring Fling is being organized and produced by the dance leadership committee.

**What's for Dinner?**

**Shopping list:**

- Dried chili flakes Or 1 whole chili pepper
- Chili powder
- Red wine or vinegar
- Garlic
- 2 pounds ground meat of your choice
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Short cuts to cooking for one or two @ with Sarah Lynn

**Chorizo:** Chorizo is a pork sausage originating from Spain. The sausage seems to have had its origins in the Catalan xoriço. There are 17 officially recognized varieties of chorizo in Catalonia. The Spanish paprika used is what gives this sausage its characteristic flavor. Chorizo is a staple item in Spain, Mexico and across South America. Enjoy this Spicy recipe from my childhood, a mexican delight.

In a large bowl, place **2 pounds ground meat of your choice** with **1 tablespoon paprika**, **2 teaspoons dried oregano**, **3 tablespoons chili powder**, **1 teaspoon salt**, **1/2 teaspoon ground cumin**, **1/2 teaspoon ground coriander**, **1/2 teaspoon black pepper** & **1/2 teaspoon ground allspice**. In a blender combine **3 slices of chopped uncooked bacon**, **2 tablespoons chili flakes**, (or **1 whole hot chili pepper softened by placing in hot water for 15 minutes then drained**), **1/4 cup red wine or vinegar**, & **5 garlic cloves**. Puree until smooth & combine with the pork mixture. Mix well.

Place 1/2 pound of the chorizo mix in large skillet. Over medium high heat, cook stirring frequently, Drain fat, Add **6 eggs** and scramble well. Serve with heated with **tortillas & salsa**.

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## More letters

### More weather

I always enjoy reading Robert Aston's yearly weather data he has recorded from his location (February 22 and March 1 Driftwood articles).

Being a weather observer myself, I always like to compare data I've recorded at my location with other locations on the island.

Although I don't keep official records for Environment Canada, I do consider my weather recording instruments to be very accurate. As most of you know, minimum and maximum temperature can vary greatly throughout our island.

At my location, roughly one kilometre from Southey Point, the data I've recorded is slightly different than Robert's.

My extreme minimum temperature for 2005 was recorded in the early morning hours of January 15 when the mercury bottomed out at -4.5 C (23.9 F). My extreme maximum temperature for 2005 was recorded on August 14 at 32 C (89.6 F). By the way, on August 4 my maximum temperature was 30 C — those were the only two days I recorded of 30 C. or higher.

My total precipitation for 2005 was 944.8 mm (37.2"), including 29.6 cm (11.6") of snow.

Also, for January 2006 I recorded 280.1 mm (11.2") of rain. February 2006 wasn't much, with only 63.7 mm (2.5") of rain.

**BANANA JOE,**  
North End Road

### Judiciary

I am aware of the term a few people will erroneously apply to me when I write that I have some concern with the religion of the newest appointee to the Supreme Court of Canada, the Honourable Justice Marshall Rothstein.

I watched much of the televised hearing of Justice Rothstein before a parliamentary committee.

He is an extremely intelligent, learned, articulate and sometimes witty jurist, and I have great respect for him.

With Justice Rosalie Abella he becomes the second Jewish justice, two out of nine.

We are a federal country and it is right that we have regional balance: one justice from the Atlantic region, three out of nine each for



**"FRIENDS":** Danica Jensen heads to her Grade 5 classroom at Fernwood Elementary School, carrying part of a science project. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Ontario and Quebec, and two for the West. As yet we have never had an aboriginal justice on the Supreme Court.

Justice Abella is known as a strong supporter of the State of Israel and its almost universally condemned illegal occupation of Palestinian land.

At present it is illegal for Canadians to send money to Hamas, which now forms the Palestinian government. Hamas has been termed a "terrorist organization."

Have we forgotten that the Mau Mau of Kenya fighting for independence from British colonial rule used violent tactics and were also called "terrorists?"

History now refers to them as fighters for independence.

If an appeal to the ruling that no money can be legally sent to Hamas comes before the Supreme Court, will justices Abella and Rothstein step aside and let the matter be decided by the other seven justices?

Just asking!  
**JACK HALLAM,**  
North End Road  
**Deserves better**

This is written in response to Ken Rouleau's letter last week.

Ken, you should have taken a moment to thank the businesses and residents of Fulford Harbour for their

patience over the last two years.

I am also suggesting your reference to physical threats and thugs are totally inaccurate.

On the other hand, if I were to describe my own experience and that of my family, my neighbours and the local Fulford Harbour business community, it would be more closely described as a two-year-long nightmare of intimidation, threats and thuggery.

I have not kept a record but I am certain I have had RCMP in attendance nearly three dozen times over the last two years.

That is just my own recollection. It does not include that of my neighbours or visitors to the beach, let alone the Fulford Inn.

Yes, apparently I am ticked off.

You cannot invite half of Victoria's, Nanaimo's and Vancouver's street population to Salt Spring, park it next to a children's park and expect everyone to behave or to receive a warm reception. Correct me if I am wrong, but it is my understanding that the Freedom Camp was promoted by its Salt Spring organizers on the streets in Victoria, Nanaimo and Vancouver.

Some good has come of this, though. It has brought a neighbourhood together. I think I have gotten to know the entire RCMP detach-

ment. Homelessness on Salt Spring has been highlighted. Drummond Park and the beach is now going to get the attention it deserves.

Having said all of this, I have never actually met you. I do respect your efforts in the community and you have got me thinking more about what I can do.

Just as it is unfair and cynical to paint anyone in a tent as a thug, it is equally unfair to use the same brush on a neighbourhood.

I have to say that our neighbourhood deserves better.

**RON ATEAH,**  
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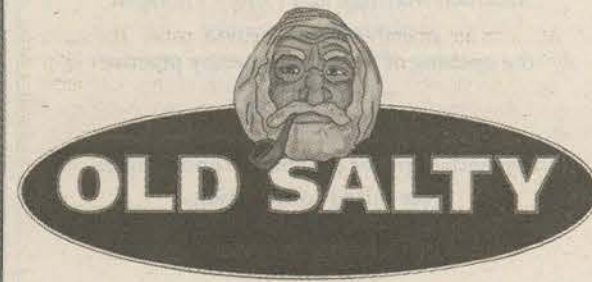
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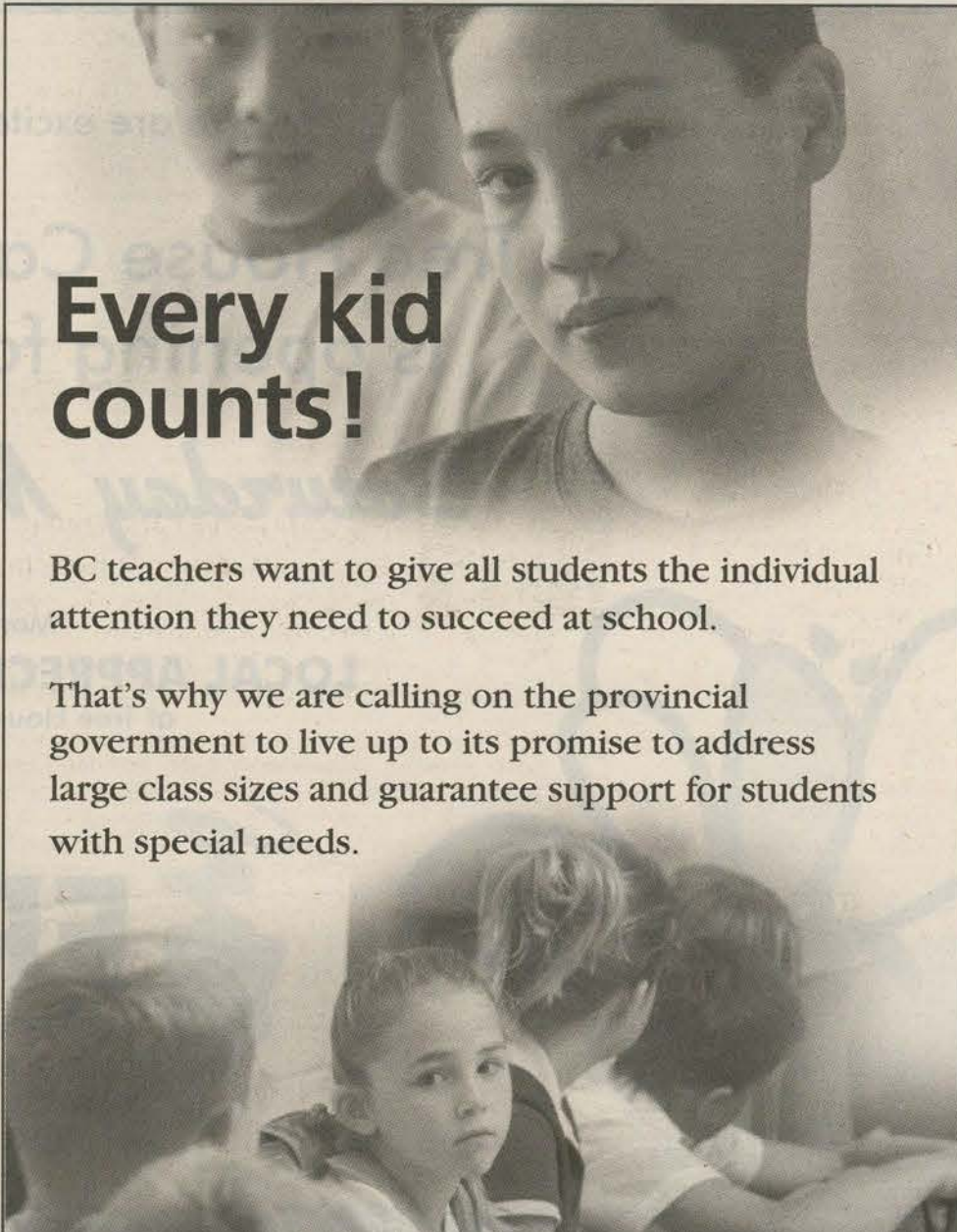
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**APPRENTICES:** Grade 10 Gulf Islands Secondary School student Lindsey Steffler, left, is hard at work on a VW van at Pretzel Motors during Work Experience Week. Above, right, student Tammy Colgan works in a local vet office with David MacDonald.  
Pretzel photo by Aulden McQueen-Denz; vet clinic by Derrick Lundy

**Grade 10 students sent off to work**

By **AULDEN MCQUEEN-DENZ**  
GISS Work Experience Student

Salt Spring was humming with activity last week during annual Work Experience Week.

More than 115 Grade 10 students from Gulf Islands Secondary School were scattered all over B.C., with some as far away as Big White ski resort.

But what is "work experience?"

According to program coordinator Maggie Allison, work experience for the entire group of Grade 10 students was started in 1999 as an educational tool.

It allows the students to explore a possible career choice. Students make their choices and submit them to Allison. She has to start her work in September, to search for all possible job positions.

But every year there are the extremes: work experience placements that are so difficult the student just gives up hope from the very start.

And then there are jobs that are so humdrum, so monotonous, that the student doesn't learn anything at all and wastes a good opportunity to learn about a possible job.

Maggie strives to eliminate these extremes to give students a better placement and a fun job.

The students themselves chose where they would go and some of the places are quite diverse.

For example, Isaac Raddysh designed surfboards in Tofino and Kristen Iverson learned from an ophthalmologist (or eye surgeon).

Work experience ran from February 27 through to March 3.



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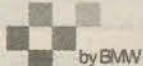
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**FICKLE FIDDLE:** Genevieve Lightfoot keeps up the pace as she fiddles at Fulford Community School's annual barn dance, held last Thursday evening.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## All-ages Grooves dance this Sat.

A worldwide sonic journey comes to Salt Spring with the Rainbow Grooves Community Dance at Lions Hall on Saturday, March 11.

DJ Dancing Wolf of Laughing Butterfly Productions in Victoria is presenting the dance, which will spin "soulful nourishing music with lots of melody, not just rhythm," he explains in press material.

"Rainbow Grooves is a 'one of a kind' dance for active, loving people who love to dance often and wildly, be they six or 96."

"Come and dance around the world to searing hot soukous and many other soul-stirring African styles, Middle Eastern belly-button bliss, frolicking Latin, sensual Indian, current foot-stomping Celtic, didg-wailing Australian, trippy tribal trance, rockin' reggae and luscious earth beats, mystical techno and magical dance music from all over the planet."

Rainbow Grooves evolved out of The One Heart dances Dancing Wolf produced every month for eight years in Victoria before taking a break two years ago.

He also created, produced and engineered the Dancing Folk show at UVIC'S radio station (CFUV) for nine years.

"The feedback I have received for years, that always makes me happy, is that the musical selections and the ambience I offer to folks engage their emotional bodies at a very deep level," said Dancing Wolf.

Families are welcome to the event, which begins at 9 p.m. and offers a juice bar.

Children dance free and general admission is \$8 at the door.

## Students provide animation voices for Habbo Hotel pilot

Acting students from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) were connected to the professional entertainment industry when they offered their voices for an animated TV show pilot.

And those actors were thrilled to see their likenesses during a screening of the three-minute pilot for Habbo Hotel — Bring the Bling at GISS on February 27.

The short pilot film features Jordan Roper as an overly intellectual "geek" who reinvents himself as a hip DJ with assistance from his friends, played by Alex Blanes, Corey Robinson, Pandora Morgan, Emily Myers, Caitlin Cunningham, Emily Little, Sarah Penhale and April Mackey.

Based on the reaction of laughter, cuddly "oohs" and applause by GISS students at the screening, the show should be a popular hit.

Local casting director Cindy Rabson recruited GISS thespians for the TV-show pilot made by the Vancouver-based production company Bardel Entertainment.

"I thought, 'We have a performing arts school — target age 14-17. I have a whole palette to work with.'"

GISS drama teacher Jason Donaldson was keen to support the project.

Once roles were cast, the group used Randy Bachman's studio on Salt Spring to record the students' voices.

"We had the producers, writers and art directors on phone patch. The kids were all on microphones with headphones, just like the way they would be in a real animation session."

Rabson was impressed with how the students conducted themselves.

"It was an amazing opportunity for the kids and the kids did brilliantly," she said.

Acting for voice-over animation is quite different from conventional acting, she noted.

"They really had to stand up to a lot of the same pressure. You've got four producers on the phone coming into your headphones giving us notes and these kids just kept up with it."

Following the recording session, Bardel then took the voice tracks and created animation to match the voices, she said.

"After it starts airing, they will try to give the kids a copy of it so they will have that for their portfolio for when they try to get into college."

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## Spiritual art form comes alive with legendary Bibb and Tuned Air concert

By **ANDREA RABINOVITCH**  
Driftwood Contributor

It's not often a singer of Leon Bibb's stature performs with one of Salt Spring's amateur choirs, but on March 17 and 18, the legendary recording artist and Broadway performer shares the ArtSpring stage with Tuned Air under the direction of Bruce Ruddell.

Vancouver musicians pianist Bill Sample, bass player Miles Hill and David Sinclair on guitar round out the show.

"Leon and I go back a long way. We had a mutual friend, the artist Bill Reid," shared Ruddell in an interview last week. "At a brunch last Christmas on Salt Spring, Leon talked about wanting to revive the spiritual because he felt that it was being lost. All the bells and whistles went off for me, since I'm a big fan of the spiritual as the music itself is very potent."

The collaboration started with a two-day workshop at Beaver Point Hall last November where Bibb, accompanied by Sample, and the choir sang for each other.

In conversation from Vancouver, Bibb explained the difference between the spiritual and gospel.

"The spiritual was the first musical expression the Africans off the slave ships did. They were forcibly taught



**SET TO SING:** Singer Leon Bibb, left, and choir director Bruce Ruddell combine talents in an upcoming performance.

Photo contributed

the Bible to hold off revolutions and uprisings."

Because African chiefs often sold them from many different tribes, the slaves had no shared language. So when it came to singing, the English language was used, but the musical form of call and response was African.

"Someone would repeat a line two or three times and someone would answer," explained Bibb. "As the slaves were freed and moved north, they sang composed songs played in churches with instruments like pianos. It was a lot more modernized and that was gospel."

Born on February 7, 1922 in Louisville, Kentucky, Bibb studied classical singing in New York in 1946. His ethnicity prevented a breakthrough until a cross-over

version of Carnival, where he played the lead, catapulted him to other shows like the original cast of Annie Get Your Gun, Lost in the Stars and A Hand is on the Gate.

He also appeared in three films with Sidney Poitier, including For Love of Ivy. In the 1960s, Bibb hosted his own NBC talk show and made nine appearances on The Ed Sullivan Show.

He could have gone the commercial route and played Vegas, but he said that "it was a stultifying experience and I saw some of my friends become very slick. I had a lot more fun."

That fun was made in the folk circuit on college campuses and in the Greenwich Village of the '60s where Bibb sang spirituals, work

songs and Celtic ballads.

In 1969, he opened for Bill Cosby in Vancouver.

"I woke up at the Bayshore Hotel and saw the beautiful green water and the snow-capped mountains and decided to stay."

Appearing in 1972-73 in Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris with Ann Mortifee established him in his new home. Gigs with the Vancouver Symphony, numerous live productions and television shows followed.

Still active with his Step Ahead program which battles racism, bullying and violence amongst youth, Bibb recently won an O'Keefe Award for his humanitarian efforts. He has also recently been teaching an eight-week session about the spiritual at UBC's music department.

Father to three, he will be singing a world premiere written by his son Eric Bibb, a blues and folk artist, and arranged by the great choral arranger Robert DeCormier.

"It's been a great learning experience being around him," said Ruddell.

"That music that came off the slave ships changed music forever."

Show time on March 17 is 8 p.m., while two shows run at 2 and 8 p.m. on March 18.

Tickets are available through the ArtSpring box office (537-2102).

## Wordplay readers woo audiences

By **MITCHELL SHERRIN**  
Staff Writer

WordPlay readers wrapped up their weekend performance of the Norman Conquests series of plays with a delightful romp of Round and Round the Garden held at the ArtSpring gallery on Saturday night.

WordPlay staged all three plays of Alan Ayckbourn's Norman Conquests in a back-to-back marathon Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Saturday evening.

"They all take place at the same time, except they can't," director Richard Moses explained to the audience.

The three plays can be viewed in any order and are complete in and of them-

selves — as events from one weekend are observed from different rooms in each play, Moses said.

Table Manners (held Friday) was set in the dining room, Living Together (Saturday matinee) occurred in the living room and Round and Round the Garden (Saturday night) took place outdoors.

Having only caught one play from the series, I quickly became envious of devoted WordPlay fans who saw the entire production.

Alan Wyatt offered an instantly charming and endearing portrait of the racial title character Norman.

"I'm filled with the lust for conquest tonight," Wyatt (as Norman) announced at one

point, in full Whitmanesque grandeur.

Frederick Howell and Murray Shoolbraid gave fabulous readings of hapless buffoon foils caught in Norman's machinations.

Howell presented a picture of Reg as a man who is far too busy planning routes, following directions from his wife and orchestrating rescue schemes to recognize romance or threats to his marriage.

Shoolbraid showed Tom as a veterinarian who is more comfortable around animals than humans.

"I never pick up signals until it's far too late," Shoolbraid (as Tom), said.

A triptych of Patricia Lockie, Marit McBride and

Ann Stewart gave great performances as the objects of Norman's attentions.

"Since we're alone, we might as well make the most of it," said Norman when he was finally together with all three women.


As the practical and pragmatic Sarah, Lockie softened like butter against Norman's charms. A "cowardly" Annie (McBride) blossomed in the presence of the paramour and Ruth (Stewart) showed her own "torrid" romantic side in a humorous highlight scene with Tom (Shoolbraid).

For Norman Conquest fans who couldn't catch the entire production, Moses offered to enter a copy of the script at the Mary Hawkins Memorial Library.

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| 257                    | 308 | CBC       | C.Beach                             | Yam Roll          | Simpsons               | Frasier                   | News                        | Can. Now                               | R. Mercer                    | Corrie St.              | This is Wonderland           | the fifth estate   | News: The National | News /25 Zed   |                    |                    |                |
| 320                    | 621 | MC1       | Before Sunset                       | Ethan Hawke.      | The Chiefs             | Robert Berger.            | Locusts: The 8th Plague (P) | Deadly Encounter                       | The L Word                   | Master & Commander      |                              |                    |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 256                    |     | CITY      | Daily                               | Inside Ed.        | A Channel News at 5    |                           | Fortune                     | Jeopardy                               | Monk                         | Charlie Jade (2005)     | Jeffrey Pierce.              | News               | :35 Daily          |                |                    |                    |                |
| 287                    | 379 | KING      | Oprah Winfrey                       | KING News         | News                   | News                      | Magazine                    | Inside Ed.                             | The Biggest Loser            | Law & Order             | Law & Order                  | News               | :35 J.Leno         |                |                    |                    |                |
| 255                    | 358 | CH        | Days of Our Lives                   | CH News           | News                   | News                      | Mystery                     | '70s                                   | The Biggest Loser            | Half Men                | Queens                       | The Shield         | News               |                |                    |                    |                |
| 250                    | 321 | CTVBC     | Tyra Banks Show                     | CTV News          | News                   | News                      | eTalk                       | Access                                 | American Idol                | Criminal Minds          | CSI: NY                      | News               | News               |                |                    |                    |                |
| 251                    | 336 | GBLBC     | Oprah Winfrey                       | News              | National               | News                      | ET                          | ET Can.                                | Bones                        | Vanity Insanity         | Falcon Beach                 | News               |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 291                    | 383 | KCTS      | Arthur                              | Maya&M.           | Cyberch.               | Business                  | News                        | News                                   | Stevens'                     | Fawltv Towers Revisited | MontyPython's Best           | MontyPython's Best | Am. Soundtrack     |                |                    |                    |                |
| 120                    | 702 | SRC       | La fosse aux lionnes                | Véro              | Union                  | Le Téléjournal            | Virginie                    | L'Épicerie                             | Match-étoiles                | Casino                  | Téléjournal/Point            | Journal            | Mêlée              |                |                    |                    |                |
| 268                    | 354 | KNOW      | Dora                                | RolieP.           | George                 | Peep                      | Mechanic/Cook               | Undersea                               | LeadEdge                     | What the                | What the                     | Vivaldi: 4 Seasons | Scatter.           | Dotto          |                    |                    |                |
| 253                    | 359 | CITY      | CityLine                            | Ellen DeGeneres   | News                   | News                      | Million?                    | Friends                                | America's Next Top Model (P) | Ever. Burlesque         | News                         | :35 J.Leno         |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 620                    | 523 | BRAVO     | Videos                              | Insect            | Rose                   | Far From Home: Yellow Dog | 45BI News                   | Law & Order                            | NYPD Blue                    | Butterfly (1998)        | Manuel Lozano.               |                    |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 522                    | 506 | HIST      | JAG                                 | Antiques Roadshow | Digging For Truth      | Turning Points            | JAG                         | Antiques Roadshow                      | Digging For Truth            | China Beach             |                              |                    |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 521                    | 560 | TLC       | Miami Ink                           | Miami Ink         | Miami Ink              | Little Peo.               | Little Peo.                 | Miami Ink                              | Miami Ink                    | Little Peo.             | Little Peo.                  | Miami Ink          |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 557                    | 541 | FAM       | :15 Proud                           | :40 Recess        | :05 Kim P.             | McGuire                   | L.Time                      | Darcy                                  | So Raven                     | Smart G.                | 8 Rules                      | Boy MW             | Brotherly          | Roscoe         | Popular            | 8 Rules            | Roscoe         |
| 615                    | 520 | A&E       | Cold Case Files                     | Bounty            | Bounty                 | Bounty                    | Bounty                      | Bounty                                 | Spying                       | Spying                  | Crossing Jordan              | Bounty             | Bounty             | Bounty         | Bounty             | Bounty             | Bounty         |
| 400                    | 400 | TSN       | Hockey NHL Pittsburgh vs Washington |                   | MolsonH.               | Sportscentre              | Off Rec                     | Soccer Champions League UEFA Liv./Ben. | Sportsnet News               | Sportsnet News          | Sportsnet News               | Sportsnet News     | Sportsnet News     | Sportsnet News | Sportsnet News     | Sportsnet News     | Sportsnet News |
| 407                    | 419 | RSP       | Poker                               | Pratt & Taylor    | Baseball World Classic |                           |                             |  |                              |                         |                              |                    |                    |                |                    |                    |                |
| 23                     |     | KSTW      | WifeKids                            | Bernie M.         | WifeKids               | Bernie M.                 | Queens                      | Queens                                 | Seinfeld                     | '70s                    | America's Next Top Model (P) | Seinfeld           | '70s               | SouthPK        | SouthPK            |                    |                |
| 24                     |     | KVOS      | Montel Williams                     | F.Feud            | Yes, Dear              | Elimidate                 | Elimidate                   | Becker                                 | Queens                       | Cops and Robbers        | Chevy Chase.                 | W&Grace            | Queens             | Cheers         | Serve P.           |                    |                |
| 290                    | 382 | KCPQ      | SaveBell                            | Fresh P.          | Shoot                  | King Hill                 | Simpsons                    | Malcolm                                | Simpsons                     | Malcolm                 | American Idol                | Bones              | Q-13 News          | Simpsons       | King Hill          |                    |                |
| 502                    | 390 | NEWS      | Can. Now                            | Can. Now          | CBC News: Hour         | News: The National        | The Passionate Eye          | CBC News: Hour                         | News: The National           | The Passionate Eye      | CBC News: Hour               | News: The National | The Passionate Eye | CBC News: Hour | News: The National | The Passionate Eye | CBC News: Hour |
| 289                    | 381 | KIRO      | First Judy                          | Judy              | News                   | News                      | ET                          | Access                                 | Standing                     | Standing                | Criminal Minds               | CSI: NY            | News               | Late Sh.       |                    |                    |                |
| 288                    | 380 | KOMO      | News @ 4                            | KOMO 4 News       | News                   | News                      | Fortune                     | Jeopardy                               | Operation Smile              | Lost                    | Invasion                     | News               | :35 News           |                |                    |                    |                |
| 65                     | 394 | VISION    | Touched By Angel                    | Minister          | S.Wine                 | Distant Shores            | Painted Nation              | Little Men                             | Minister                     | S.Wine                  | Distant Shores               | 7th Heaven         |                    |                |                    |                    |                |

## THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Salt Spring Driftwood: Main Movie Breakout for Mar 8, 2006 to Mar 14, 2006

- WEDNESDAY, MAR 8**
- 6:00 PM  
**14 ★★ Far From Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog (1995, Adventure)** A boy and his dog battle the elements in the wilderness of British Columbia. *Jesse Bradford, Bruce Davidson (1h45)*  
 7:00 PM  
**3 ★ Locusts: The 8th Plague (2005, Horror)** A group of scientists attempt to stop a swarm of flesh-eating locusts. *Kirk B. Woller, Julie Benz (1h30)*  
 8:00 PM  
**24 ★★ Cops and Robbers (1994, Comedy/Drama)** A family's home is taken over by police who set up surveillance on the mobster next door. *Chevy Chase, Jack Palance (2h)*  
 8:30 PM  
**3 ★ Deadly Encounter (2004, Suspense)** A restaurant hostess is run off the road after a shift and stalked by the crazed driver. *Laura Leighton, Daniel Magder (1h30)*  
 9:00 PM  
**4 Charlie Jade (2005)** A detective is propelled into a parallel universe while on the hunt for a killer. *Jeffrey Pierce, Tyrone Benskin (2h)*  
 10:00 PM  
**14 ★★★ Butterfly (1998, Drama)** A portrait of a boy's coming of age during a tense period just before the Spanish Civil War. *Manuel Lozano, Uxia Blanco (2h)*  
 11:00 PM  
**3 ★★★ Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World (2003, Adventure)** A British captain pushes his ship and crew to the limit during the Napoleonic War. *Russell Crowe, Paul Bettany (2h30)*

- THURSDAY, MAR 9**
- 6:00 PM  
**14 ★ The Luck of Ginger Coffey (1964, Drama)** A lower class Irish immigrant in Montreal tries to build a better life for his family. *Robert Shaw, Mary Ure (1h45)*  
 7:00 PM  
**3 ★★★ Schultze Gets The Blues (2003, Musical)** An accordion player becomes obsessed with zydeco music when he hears it on the radio. *Harald Warmbrunn, Horst Krause (2h)*  
 8:00 PM  
**4 23 ★★ Bringing Down the House (2003, Comedy)** A conservative man's life is turned upside down when a prison escapee enters his life. *Steve Martin, Queen Latifah (2h)*  
**24 ★ Chain Reaction (1996, Action)** Scientists working on a hydrogen energy project are blamed for a lab partner's murder. *Keanu Reeves, Morgan Freeman (2h)*  
 9:00 PM  
**3 ★★★ The Woodsman (2004, Drama)** A convicted pedophile returns to his hometown and struggles to start a new life. *Kevin Bacon, Kyra Sedgwick (1h30)*  
**29 ★★ The Mysterious Island (1961, Sci-Fi)** Seeking to put an end to world war, Captain Nemo creates mammoth beasts, birds and crabs. *Michael Craig, Joan Greenwood (2h)*  
 10:00 PM  
**14 ★★ Lady Chatterley (1992, Drama)** A bored Lady Chatterley has an affair with a groomer after her husband is paralysed. *Joely Richardson, Sean Bean (2h30)*  
 10:30 PM  
**3 ★★★ Dirty Pretty Things (2002, Thriller)** An illegal Nigerian immigrant discovers the unpalatable side of London life. *Audrey Tatou, Seidy Lopez (1h45)*

- FRIDAY, MAR 10**
- 6:00 PM  
**14 ★★★ Cast a Deadly Spell (1991, Mystery)** A hard-boiled detective investigates the theft of a mystical tome of magic. *Fred Ward, David Warner (1h45)*  
 7:00 PM  
**3 ★★ Sahara (2005, Action)** In the desert, treasure hunter Dirk Pitt searches for the truth behind deadly pollution. *Matthew McConaughey, Penélope Cruz (2h30)*  
 7:30 PM  
**19 High School Musical (2006, Musical)** A popular basketball player and a brainy newcomer share a common passion for singing. *Zac Efron, Corbin Bleu (1h30)*  
 8:00 PM  
**11 ★★★ Great Expectations (1999, Drama)** Young Pip is expected to become a blacksmith, but secretly dreams of becoming a gentleman. *Ioan Gruffudd, Charlotte Rampling (2h)*

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| 257                    | 308 | CBC       | Clifford              | Pinky                | Poko                 | Various                             | Various            | 'Nanalan'          | Dressup            | George               | News               |                    | Da Vinci's Inquest | Various        | Various | Air Farce | 22 Mins.   |
| 320                    | 621 | MC1       | Various Movies        |                      |                      | Various Movies                      |                    |                    |                    | Various Movies       |                    |                    |                    | Various Movies |         |           |            |
| 256                    |     | CITY      | 6:30A Channel Morning | CityLine             | Movie TV             | Careers                             | Ellen DeGeneres    | All My Children    | One Life to Live   | Various              | Dotto              | Seinfeld           |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 287                    | 379 | KING      | 7:00 Today Show       | Today Show II        | Tyra Banks Show      | Various                             | Ellen DeGeneres    | News               | Days of Our Lives  | Passions             | Dr. Phil           |                    |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 255                    | 358 | CH        | BodyH'lth             | Various              | Oprah Winfrey        | The Price Is Right                  | Young & Restless   | News               | Various            | BodyH'lth            | Myst.Ink           | Fear Factor        |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 250                    | 321 | CTVBC     | 6:30 Canada AM        | Regis & Kelly        | The View             | eTalk                               | Balance            | Planet             | Bold & B.          | Gabereau/Gabereau    | General Hospital   | Dr. Phil           |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 251                    | 336 | GBLBC     | 6:00 News             | 100 Huntley Street   | World Vision         | Various                             | Various            | News               | As the World Turns | Passions             | Young & Restless   |                    |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 291                    | 383 | KCTS      | Big World             | DragonT.             | Zoboo                | Barney                              | Various            | TH World           | B.Lions            | Rogers               | Various            | J. Baker           | Paint              | Various        | Reading | Big World | Piggley    |
| 120                    | 702 | SRC       | simondurivage.com     | Coup de pousse       | Droit au cocur       | Ricardo                             | durivage           | Journal            | durivage           | Beautés dés.         | Rome, USA          | Temps              | Temps              |                |         |           |            |
| 268                    | 354 | KNOW      | Various               | :50 Todd             | Arthur               | Various                             | Various            | Various            | Parent             | Gaslight             | Various            | Temps              | :35 Clues          |                |         |           |            |
| 253                    | 359 | CITY      | 6:00 Breakfast TV     | Various              | Cooks                | Relic Hunter                        | CityLine           | Cooks              | Various            | Various              | Various            | Maury              |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 620                    | 523 | BRAVO     | Various               | Getting..            | Various              | Law & Order                         | Street Legal       | Various            | 45BI News          | Various              | Various            | Street Legal       |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 522                    | 506 | HIST      | FrontierConstruction  | JAG / TU JAG         | Antiques Roadshow    | Various                             | Disasters of Cent. | Marine M/ SeaHunt. | Tour of Duty       | FrontierConstruction |                    |                    |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 521                    | 560 | TLC       | Wedding               | Makeover             | What Not to Wear     | Younger                             | Baby St.           | Baby St.           | Baby               | Clean Sweep          | Trading Spaces     | White You Were Out | Martha             |                |         |           |            |
| 557                    | 541 | FAM       | :15 Lilo              | :45 Einstein         | :10W.Pooh            | :35 Otter                           | JoJo's             | Various            | :25 King           | Various              | Various            | Various            | Various            | Various        | Various | Various   | :30Barbar. |
| 615                    | 520 | A&E       | Various               | American Justice     | Various              | Various                             | Various            | Various            | TU Airline         | Various              | TU Plot            | Various            | American Justice   |                |         |           |            |
| 400                    | 400 | TSN       | Sportscentre          | Various              | Various              | w Bowling/TU Tennis                 | Lumberj'k          | w Soccer           | Various            | F Golf TV            | TH F Golf          | Timeless           | w Corner           | Interrupt      | Off Rec | SportsC   |            |
| 407                    | 419 | RSP       | Sportsnet News        | Sportsnet News/Trade | Sports News/Baseball | w F TU Sports News                  | w TU Sports News   | Various            | Various            | Various              | Various            | Various            | Various            | Various        | Various | TH Hockey |            |
| 23                     |     | KSTW      | 6:00 The Daily Buzz   | The 700 Club         | Frasier              | Frasier                             | Divorce            | Divorce            | The People's Court | Alex                 | Alex               | The People's Court | Home I.            | Sabrina        |         |           |            |
| 24                     |     | KVOS      | Various               | Paid                 | Your Day             | Various                             | Paid               | Paid               | The People's Court | Various              | w Paid             | Matlock/ Magnum    | Matlock            |                |         |           |            |
| 290                    | 382 | KCPQ      | 5:00 Q13 Fox News     | Judge Greg Mathis    | Justice              | Justice                             | Tony Danza Show    | Starting Over      | Maury              | Jerry Springer       |                    |                    |                    |                |         |           |            |
| 502                    | 390 | NEWS      | CBC News: Today       | News                 | CBC News: Today      | CBC News: Today                     | CBC News: Today    | CBC News: Today    | Various            | F WiRe               | CBC News: Politics | News               | Business           |                |         |           |            |
| 289                    | 381 | KIRO      | The Early Show        | Montel Williams      | The Price Is Right   | Young & Restless                    | News               | Bold & B.          | As the World Turns | The Guiding Light    | Brown              | Brown              |                    |                |         |           |            |
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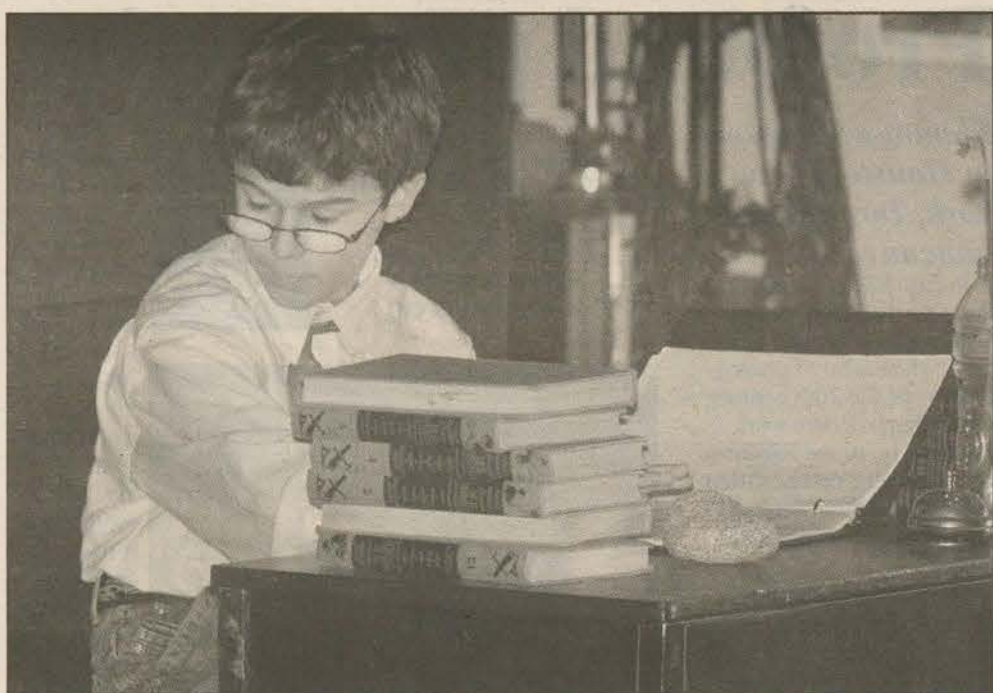
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**ON STAGE:** Nick Slakov plays a librarian as Martin Thorn's Grade 6/7 French Immersion class presents a class-written play at last Thursday night's Soiree Francophone. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Award-winning poets set to perform at All Saints

Poetry and performance fans won't want to miss a Salt Spring visit by Patrick Friesen and Eve Joseph next Saturday.

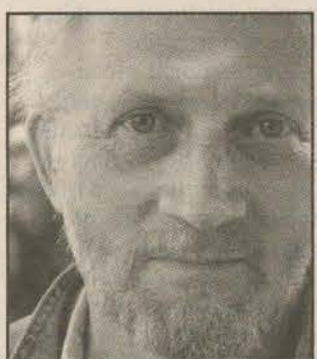
Theatre Alive! has organized the March 18 reading event by the couple, who live in Brentwood Bay.

Friesen is a poet, playwright, lyricist, essayist, script writer and writer of text for contemporary dance and music soundscapes.

He won the Manitoba Book of the Year Award for *Blasphemer's Wheel: Selected & New Poems* (1994) and was nominated for the Governor General's Award for Poetry in 1997 for *A Broken Bowl*.

Both *st. mary at main* and *the breath you take from the lord* received nominations for the Dorothy Livesay Poetry Award.

He has also released two CDs, *Small Rooms* of text/improv piano with Marilyn Lerner, and *Calling the Dog Home* with Lerner, cellist Peggy Lee and percussionist Niko Friesen.



**POETS:** Seen above is Patrick Friesen and, at right, is Eve Joseph.

A book of essays, *Interim: Essays and Meditations*, is due out in April with Hagio Press.

His partner Eve Joseph, who has an M.A. in counselling psychology, was awarded the Marjorie Peters Award for creative writing while studying at Camosun College and received a Canada Council Award in 2003 to publish a book of ghazals.

Her work has been published in a number of Canadian and American journals. Joseph's poems appeared



in an anthology put out by the League of Canadian Poets in 2000 and will appear in the new Contemporary Northwest Coast anthology set for publishing in 2006.

Her book *The Startled Heart* was nominated for the Dorothy Livesay Award in the 2005 B.C. Book Awards.

The event takes place at 8 p.m. at All Saints By-the-Sea.

Admission is free, with all donations appreciated to offset costs.

## Romeo & Juliet cast needed

Island passions will be roused this summer when Graffiti Theatre presents an outdoor rendition of *Romeo and Juliet*.

But before then a village of actors are needed to fill the roles — including the crucial lead parts.

Director Scott Hylands has set auditions for March 17-19. Actors aged 16-25 are required for the roles of

Romeo, Juliet, Mercutio, Benvolio, Paris and Tybalt; and actors aged 30-50 for Lord and Lady Capulet, Lord and Lady Montague, Friar Lawrence and the Nurse.

Others are needed to be relations in both houses, maskers, guards, watchmen and attendants.

Rehearsals will begin no later than June 1, with 12 performances between July

21 and August 13.

Graffiti's "tossed-off" staged reading of *A Midsummer's Night Dream* on the ArtSpring patio was well received last summer, notes Hylands.

"*Romeo and Juliet* is a much more ambitious undertaking," he adds.

Call Hylands at 537-4650 to set up an audition time, or to volunteer.

## World-class acts on stage in March

### WHAT'S ON AT ARTSPRING

ArtSpring is hosting internationally acclaimed talent in the last three weeks of March.

- The Arrogant Worms is a three-man comedy troupe. Using only guitar, bass, great stage presence, super-tight harmonies and the sharpest of wit, The Worms are on a mission to make people of all ages laugh. The Worms find their roots in folk and acoustic rock, although they borrow from Celtic, country, reggae, bluegrass, surf music and even gospel. Friday, March 10 (8 p.m.)

- Legendary folk singer and Broadway actor Leon Bibb and a three-piece band, accompanied by the 60-member Tuned Air chorus, share the history and music of the Afro-American spiritual in a memorable and inspiring performance called *The Art of the Spiritual*. Friday, March 17, (8 p.m.) and Saturday, March 18 (2 and 8 p.m.)

- The March 24 show featuring prima ballerina Veronica Tennant — is sold out.

- The March 25 Vienna Choir Boys show is also sold out.
- A violin and piano concert featuring Bach, Beethoven, and Debussy sonatas and a selection of pieces by well-known Armenian composers welcomes spring. Van Armenian, violin, and Patil Harboyan, piano, have extensive musical training, are winners of music awards and have performed as soloists with groups and orchestras both nationally and internationally. Fundraiser for the Salt Spring Island Canadian Federation of University Women. Sunday, March 26, (2:30 p.m.)

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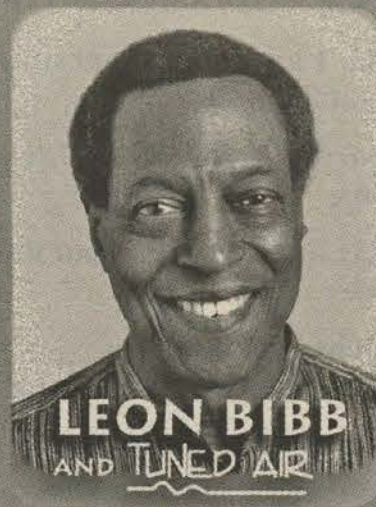
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Bibb has recorded numerous records, performed in many Broadway shows (and was nominated for a Tony award), in movies and TV shows (including *The Ed Sullivan Show*), and in venues such as Carnegie Hall and The Newport Folk Festival. He gained renown in Canada for his performances in *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well* and *Living in Paris*.

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**PAINTING FOR PEACE:** Caroline Rosser, left, and Diana Lindley paint a unity flag for an upcoming peace rally in Vancouver as they participate in the Our Island, Our World Film Festival. The 7th annual event featured films and offered information at various community booths.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

# Profound perspective

**Klemm work shown in Houston, New York, Toronto and Vancouver**

In Eric Klemm's office, there's a wall of photographs. They sample a veritable who's who of photographers of the 20th century with Klemm's own work standing up to the Richard Avedons very nicely. Often he acquired them through an exchange: his work for theirs.

There's even a photograph of his father taken by his mother and one of his mother taken by his father.

"It's where I got my talent," suggested Klemm. "They were fine amateur photographers."

Born in Germany 65 years ago, Klemm spent the first half of his life as a travelling photojournalist contributing to German magazines, including German Playboy. After a jet-setting youth and building a Relais and Chateaux Inn on the Maldive Islands, he settled on Salt Spring six years ago with his wife Mariette and his twin daughters.

"I had a life that was like a movie star's. I was very fortunate. But it's nothing compared to raising my children."

Far from retired, Klemm's schedule is dizzying, with various shows going up in the next four months. Establishing himself in North America is more than a full-time job, one that requires administrative help from Mariette.

Three series are finished and touring, and one, The B.C. Project, though needing two or three years to

## ART BEAT ON THE ROCK WITH ANDREA RABINOVITCH



From March 10-April 23 in Houston, Texas, a festival of photography entitled Fotofest is featuring his work. The show of his "Metamorphosis" series, depicting ancient cars grown over with vegetation, is a huge step towards establishing himself in the U.S.



Seen above is an example of Eric Klemm's photography.

complete, is also showing.

A group show in New York at Kipton Art from January 20 to April 20 includes photos from his "Labyrinth" series, where formal gardens are photographed from varying angles, lending an architectural feel to nature.

Gallery Jones in Vancouver runs a show until March 5 of his latest series — "Back Alleys." Shot in Vancouver alleys and often including young children (sometimes dressed in fuzzy animal suits) somewhere in the composition, they offer a surreal air to the angular lines and blue skies.

The catalogue for this show includes text written by visual arts writer Gary Michael Dault. His text also accompanies a 13-page spread in Prefix Photo, Canada's premier bi-annual magazine of contemporary photographs, media and digital arts.

"At the festival, 20 to 30 galleries show only photographs for one month," explained Klemm. "I submitted my photographs for inclusion in the festival and I was asked to do a solo show. This will give me another status in the art world."

At the Odon Wagner Contemporary in Toronto from May 1 to 30, some of his B.C. Project photographs will be hung under the name of "Impressions of the Land."

He comments that he is a "photo-based artist, not a reporter. I work like a painter and set it up very precisely and use one or two exposures."

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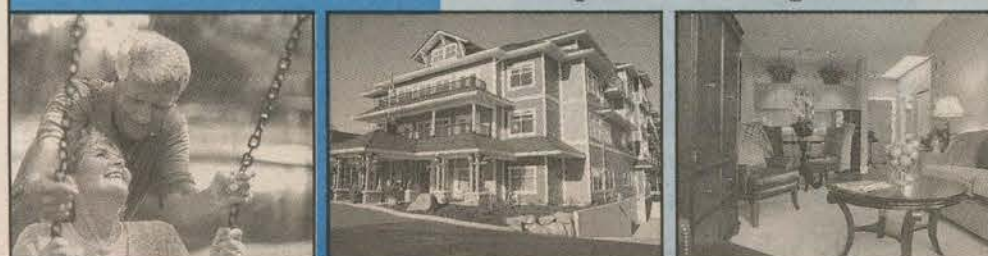
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# Salt Spring FOCUS ON SENIORS

## Meadowbrook fundraiser features crafts, antiques and knick-knacks

Meadowbrook residents are planning to sell crafts, antiques and "white elephant" knick-knacks as a fundraiser for the non-profit Gulf Island Seniors Residence Association (GISRA) that supports the assisted-living facility.

The fundraiser was organized by Meadowbrook resident Queenie Haddow (90). "She's fiercely proud of where she lives," said Meadowbrook administrator Maureen O'Brien.

"I got into it with two feet and I wouldn't back out. It's been a year in the making," said Haddow.

The fundraiser will also include a kids' table with 25-

cent items, Easter and Christmas crafts and a wide range of handmade items.

"They've been working for several months on quilts and knitting and all this kind of stuff," said O'Brien.

Along with making crafts and planning fundraisers, residents at the facility participate in a broad range of activities such as movie nights, bingo, Scrabble, cards, sing alongs and visiting lectures from expert speakers.

"There seems to always be something on the move."

Meadowbrook also serves as a seniors community centre for various agencies like seniors peer counselling, Salt

Spring Community Wellness Program, Friendly Visitors and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB).

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It's a busy and thriving world, she said.

The facility was built two and a half years ago by GISRA, under guidance from Gordon English and Mary Toyne.

"It's something Salt Spring can be proud of," said GISRA chair John Pickering.

There are 37 independent units at Meadowbrook where evening meals, laundry, activities and an alarm system are provided.

"There is still a reasonable waiting list, but there is a point in putting your name on it as places do come available," Pickering said.

If anyone is interested in more information about the assisted-living facility, they can just drop by Meadowbrook, get a tour and add their name to the waiting list, he said.

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| 557   | 541 | FAM    | 1:15 Suitel.          | 40 Zoey                | 10 Raven                       | 40 Phil   | 10 Stevens                            | Boy MW                          | 05 Ned                         | Brotherly              | High School Musical   |                    |                       | Searching for David's Heart | SmartG.             | 50 Suitel.    |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 615   | 520 | A&E    | 24                    |                        | Murderball (2005)              | Keith Cavill.                                     | Lake Placid (1999)                    | Bill Pullman.                   | Move                           | Design                 | House                 | House              | House                 | House                       | House               | House         |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 400   | 400 | TSN    | Lumbr'k               | X-Games                | Profile                        | Hockey National Championship                      |                                       |                                 |                                | Curling Tim Hortons    | Brier                 |                    |                       |                             |                     | SportsC       |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 407   | 419 | RSP    | Sportsnet News        | CMI                    | Fish TV                        | Skiing  | Alpine World                          | Skiing                          | Race                           | Sac. Ride              | Canucks               | Auto Racing Nextel | Cup                   | NASCAR                      |                     |               |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KSTW   | Jack Holt             | Païd                   | Païd                           | Païd  | Païd                                  | Païd                            | Païd                           | Païd                   | Living                | Païd               | Spaces                | Blue Chips (1994)           | Nick Nolte.         |               |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KVOS   | Païd                  | Païd                   | Hour of Power                  | Day Disc.   | Païd                                  | Païd                            | Païd                           | Païd                   | Païd                  | Païd               | Païd                  | Extreme Weather             | Dragonheart (1996)  | Dennis Quaid. |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 290   | 382 | KCPQ   | FOX News Sunday       | Païd                   | Païd                           | Païd  | Païd                                  | Païd                            | Maximum Exposure               | L.Sports               | Auto Racing Nextel    | Cup                | NASCAR                |                             |                     |               |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 502   | 390 | NEWS   | CBC News: Today       | Hemishp.               | Ab. Can.                       | CBC News: Today                                   | Antiques Roadshow                     | C.Can                           | Land,Sea                       | MarketP.               | 25Venture             | Hot Type           | Business              | News                        | One/One             |               |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 289   | 381 | KIRO   | 7:30 Sunday Morning   |                        | Road Final Hour                |   | Basketball SEC Championship           | NCAA Teams TBA                  | Basketball Big 10 Championship | NCAA Teams TBA         | Champ Selection       |                    |                       |                             |                     |               |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 288   | 380 | KOMO   | 7:00 KOMO 4 News      | Animal R.              | NBA Nat.                       | Basketball NBA Cleveland Cavaliers vs. Miami Heat | Basketball NBA Seattle vs Los Angeles |                                 |                                |                        |                       |                    |                       |                             | Païd                | Païd          |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65  | 394 | VISION | Islam                 | Hour of Power          | J. Meyer                       | Living Truth                                      | Faith Live                            | Food Life                       | Bible                          | 700 Club               | Nations               | Mosaic             | Potter's              | World                       | R. Martin           | Ministries    |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| S - Salt Spring Island - ExpressVu - StarChoice |     |        |                          |  |                     |                    |                 |                        |                         |                                    |                   |                  |                  | SUNDAY EVENING MARCH 12      |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| S   | ☆   | 4:00   | 4:30                     | 5:00   | 5:30                | 6:00               | 6:30            | 7:00                   | 7:30                    | 8:00                               | 8:30              | 9:00             | 9:30             | 10:00                        | 10:30               | 11:00             | 11:30    |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 257   | 308 | CBC    | Shoebbox Zoo             | Brother Bear                                     |                     |                    |                 | Venture                |                         | Prairie Giant: Tommy Douglas Story |                   |                  |                  | CBC News: Sunday             | War of the Sexes    |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 320   | 621 | MC1    | 1:15 Jersey Girl (2004)  | Ben Affleck.                                     | Ong Bak (2003)      | Tony Jaa.          |                 |                        |                         | The Sopranos (SP)                  | Big Love (P)      |                  |                  | L Word                       | 55 Mrs. Harris      |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 256   |     | CITY   | The Associate (1996)     | Whoopi Goldberg.                                 | The Invisible Man   | Missing            |                 |                        |                         | Men In Black II (2002)             | Will Smith.       | Missing          |                  | INSIDE                       | Skiing              |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 287   | 379 | KING   | Mathews                  | Upfront  | KING 5 News         | News               | News            | Dateline NBC           | The West Wing           | Law & Order: C.I.                  | Crossing Jordan   | News             | 35 Sports        |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 255   | 358 | CH     | Myst Ink                 | BodyH'ith  | CH News             | Caitlin            | 2Chance         | Dateline NBC           | Makeover: Home          | Makeover: Home                     | Queens            | Mother           | News             | Insider                      |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250   | 321 | CTVBC  | Movie                    | Acc.Jim  | Acc.Jim             | Acc.Jim            | News            | Law & Order: C.I.      | Cold Case               | Housewives                         | Grey's Anatomy    | News             | News             |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 251   | 336 | GBLBC  | O.Bounds                 | Heart City                                       | Simpsons            | News               | News            | Malcolm                | King Hill               | Simpsons                           | WarHome           | FamilyG.         | Free Ride        | Crossing Jordan              | News                | 35 House          |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 291   | 383 | KCTS   | 3:00 Rick Steves' Europe | Marathon   |                     |                    |                 | My Music               |                         |                                    |                   |                  |                  | California Dreamin'          | Rick Steves' Europe |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 120   | 702 | SRC    | 3:00 Splash (1984)       | Tom Hanks.                                       | 5 sur 5             | Journal            | Découverte      | Lafaque                | Tout le monde en parle  |                                    |                   |                  |                  | Journal                      | Pleins feux         | Spider            |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 268   | 354 | KNOW   | 20Timothy                | Madeline   | George              | 35 Zoboo           | Heartbeat       | National Geographic    | The Royal               | Rosemary & Thyme                   | Juan Diego Florez | LeadEdge         | Imprint          |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 253   | 359 | CITY   | Celebrity Poker Showdown |  | News                | ColourTV           | Chris           | Daily                  | X2: X-Men United (2003) | Patrick Stewart.                   |                   |                  |                  | Sex TV                       | Pink...             |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 620   | 523 | BRAVO  | ArtsMinds                | Photos   | The Magic Touch     | The Client (1994)  | Susan Sarandon. | 15BNews                | A Civil Action (1998)   | John Travolta.                     | 45BNews           | The Juror        |                  |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 522   | 506 | HIST   | 3Brothers                | Conquest   | Zero Hour           | Blow (2001)        | Johnny Depp.    |                        |                         | Master.                            | Zero Hour         | Blow (2001)      | Johnny Depp.     |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 521   | 560 | TLC    | House                    | House  | The 750 Pound Man   | Half Ton Man       | Half a Body     | The 750 Pound Man      | Half Ton Man            | Half a Body                        | House             | House            |                  |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 557   | 541 | FAM    | 1:15 Proud               | 45Fillmore                                       | 10 Kim P.           | 35 Phil            | 05 Sadie        | Darcy                  | SoRaven                 | 45Roscoe                           | 158 Rules         | 44Movies         | The Air Up There | 45 Celtic Pride              | Dan Aykroyd.        |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 615   | 520 | A&E    | 24                       |  | Meth: County Crisis | Intervention       |                 |                        | CSI: Miami              |                                    |                   |                  |                  | Meth: County Crisis          | Intervention        |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 400   | 400 | TSN    | Poker World Series       |  | Curling Tim Hortons | Brier              |                 |                        |                         | Sportscentre                       | Motoring          | Golf TV          | Sportscentre     |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 407   | 419 | RSP    | 1:00 Racing NASCAR       | Hockey NHL Regina Pats vs. Lethbridge Hurricanes |                     |                    |                 | Baseball World Classic | Teams TBA               |                                    |                   |                  |                  | Sportsnet News               |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KSTW   | Movie                    | Taxi   | Queens              | Queens             | Seinfeld        | Seinfeld               | 70s                     | 70s                                | CSI: Crime Scene  | CSI: Crime Scene | 24               | Farscape                     |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KVOS   | Business                 | Païd   | The Ex (1996)       | Suzi Amis.         |                 |                        | Serve & Protect         | Executive Decision (1996)          | Kurt Russell.     |                  |                  | Cheers                       | Cheers              |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 290   | 382 | KCPQ   | 1:00 Racing NASCAR       | Raymond  | Raymond             | Simpsons           | Friends         | Malcolm                | King Hill               | Simpsons                           | WarHome           | FamilyG.         | Free Ride        | News                         | 35 Q It Up          | Stargate Atlantis |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 502   | 390 | NEWS   | the fifth estate         | Correspondent                                    | CBC News: Sunday    | The Passionate Eye |                 |                        |                         |                                    |                   |                  |                  | CBC News: Sunday             | The Passionate Eye  |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 289   | 381 | KIRO   | Païd                     | WildA.   | News                | News               | News            | 60 Minutes             | Cold Case               |                                    |                   |                  |                  | How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days | News                |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 288   | 380 | KOMO   | McCarver                 | Insider  | KOMO 4 News         | News               | News            | Makeover: Home         | Makeover: Home          | Housewives                         | Grey's Anatomy    | News             | 35 Ebert         |                              |                     |                   |          |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65  | 394 | VISION | Day Disc.                | VanImpe  | Jeremiah            | Spirit             | Songs           | Facts                  | Love                    | D.Hope                             | Miracle           | Power            | P. Popoff        | Armor                        | Songs               | Crede             | Q.Places | Songs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

SUNDAY, MAR 12

9:00 PM

27 ★★ How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days (2003, Comedy) Two New Yorkers try to further their careers by starting a relationship under false pretences. Matthew McConaughey, Kate Hudson (2h30)

10:00 PM

15 ★★ Blow (2001, Drama) The true story of George Jung, who lived the high life by trafficking cocaine in the 70s. Johnny Depp, Rachel Griffiths (2h30)

10:45 PM

19 ★★ Celtic Pride (1996, Comedy) Two obsessed Boston Celtics basketball fans kidnap the opposition's obnoxious superstar. Dan Aykroyd, Daniel Stern (1h25)

10:55 PM

3 ★★ Mrs. Harris (2005, Docu-Drama) A cardiologist's romance with a headmistress triggers one of the century's most bizarre trials. Annette Bening, Ben Kingsley (1h35)

11:00 PM

13 ★★ The Juror (1996, Thriller) A mother is forced to persuade other jurors to acquit a mobster in order to save her son. Demi Moore, Alec Baldwin (2h15)

11:30 PM

10 Spider (2002, Drame psychologique) Un homme coupé du monde remonte son passé à la recherche de sa véritable histoire. Ralph Fiennes, Gabriel Byrne (1h40)

MONDAY, MAR 13

7:00 PM

3 ★ Nature Unleashed: Tornado (2004, Sci-Fi) After losing his brother, a photographer makes peace by documenting tornadoes. Daniel Bernhardt, Allister Bain (2h)

8:00 PM

2 Prairie Giant: The Tommy Douglas Story (2006, Biography) The extraordinary life story of Canada's 'father of Medicare', Thomas Clement Douglas. Michael Theriault, Kristin Booth (2h)

9:30 PM

3 ★ Adam and Evil (2004, Horror) A crazed killer seeks his own brand of vengeance for past transgressions. Sean Arnfinson, Lynsey Brothers (1h30)

11:00 PM

3 ★★ The Librarian: Quest for the Spear (2004, Action) A librarian sets out to ensure the return of a magical artifact stolen from the library. Noah Wyle, Kelly Hu (2h)

TUESDAY, MAR 14

6:00 PM

3 ★★ Hide and Seek (2005, Thriller) A widower worries when his daughter blames her imaginary friend for a series of mysterious acts. Robert De Niro, Dakota Fanning (2h)

8:00 PM

14 ★★ Blue Hawaii (1961, Musical) Despite his family's objections, a pineapple-company heir takes a job at a tourist agency. Elvis Presley, Angela Lansbury (2h)

8:00 PM

24 ★ Deadly Game (1998, Comedy) A twelve-year-old boy runs away from home only to find himself running away from cops. Tim Matheson, Ryan DeBoer (2h)

9:00 PM

29 ★★ The Buddy Holly Story (1978, Biography) Prior to his tragic death, Buddy Holly wrote some of popular music's most indelible hits. Gary Busey, Don Stroud (2h)

10:00 PM

3 ★★ Thought Crimes (2003, Crime Story) A young woman misdiagnosed as a schizophrenic is rescued by a government researcher. Navi Rawat, Joe Flanigan (1h30)

11:30 PM

3 ★★ Triggermen (2002, Crime Story) A con man falls for a crime boss' daughter when he and his pal are mistaken for assassins. Pete Postlethwaite, Donnie Wahlberg (2h)

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| 257   | 308 | CBC    | C.Beach              | YamRoll         | Simpsons                                      | Frasier            | News               | Can. Now                      | Air Farce       | Corrie St.             | Prairie Giant: Tommy Douglas Story |                      |                      | News: The National      | News      | Fortier |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 320   | 621 | MC1    | 3:45 A Silent Love   |                 | Lucatus: The 8th Plague                       |                    |                    | Nature Unleashed: Tornado (P) |                 | G-Spot                 | Adam and Evil                      |                      |                      | The Librarian: Quest    |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 256   |     | CITY   | Daily                | Inside Ed.      | A-Channel News                                |                    |                    | Fortune                       | Jeopardy        | 7th Heaven             | Supernanny                         | Hold 'Em Fold 'Em    | Em                   | News                    | 35 Daily  |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 287   | 379 | KING   | Oprah Winfrey        | KING News       | News  | News               | News               | Magazine                      | Inside Ed.      | Deal or No Deal        | The Apprentice                     | Medium               | News                 | 35 J.Leno               |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 255   | 358 | CH     | Days of Our Lives    | CH News         | News  | News               | News               | Homes                         | 70s             | Deal or No Deal        | Half Men                           | Christine            | Mutant X             | News                    |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250   | 321 | CTVBC  | Tyra Banks Show      | CTV News        | News  | News               | News               | eTalk                         | Access          | CornerG                | Degrassi                           | Medium               | CSI: Miami           | News                    | News      |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 251   | 336 | GBLBC  | Oprah Winfrey        | News            | National                                      | News               | News               | ET                            | ET Can.         | Prison Break           | The Apprentice                     | 24                   | News                 |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 291   | 383 | KCTS   | Arthur               | Maya&M.         | Cyberch.                                      | Business           | News               | Command Performance           |                 |                        |                                    |                      |                      |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 120   | 702 | SRC    | La fosse aux lionnes | Véro            | Union   | Journal            | Zig Zag            | Virginie                      | Rumeurs         | Auberge chien noir     | Bougou                             | Minuit               | Téléjournal/Point    | Journal                 | Mélée     |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 268   | 354 | KNOW   | Dora                 | RolieP.         | George  | Peep               | Science            | Moving                        | In Performance  | Suzie LeBlanc          | Handel's Water                     | Vivaldi: 4 Seasons   | Canada: History      |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 253   | 359 | CITY   | CityLine             |                 | Ellen DeGeneres                               | News               | News               | Million?                      | Friends         | Much VJ Search         | Genie Awards                       | Fact                 | Fact                 | News                    | 35 J.Leno |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 620   | 523 | BRAVO  | Videos               | Dance           | Chimeras                                      | Mocean             | Genie Awards 2006  | Banff                         | Close-Up        | Law & Order            | Real Sex in the City               | Real Sex in the City | Real Sex in the City |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 522   | 506 | HIST   | JAG                  |                 | Worst Jobs                                    | Worst Jobs         | Worst Jobs         | Turning Points                | JAG             | Worst Jobs             | Worst Jobs                         | Worst Jobs           | China Beach          |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 521   | 560 | TLC    | 14 Children          |                 | 16 Children                                   | Little Peo.        | Little Peo.        | Anatomy of Sex                | 16 Children     | Little Peo.            | Little Peo.                        | Anatomy of Sex       | 14 Children          |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 557   | 541 | FAM    | 1:15 Proud           | 40Recess        | 05 Kim P.                                     | McGuire            | Zoey 101           | Derek                         | Ned             | Mystery                | 8 Rules                            | Boy MW               | Brotherly            | Roscoe                  | Popular   |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 615   | 520 | A&E    | Cold Case Files      | Flip This House | Gangsta Girls                                 | Rollergirls        |                    |                               | Crossing Jordan | Flip This House        | Gangsta Girls                      | Rollergirls          |                      |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 400   | 400 | TSN    | MolsonH.             | Corner          | Curling Tim Hortons                           | Brier              |                    |                               | WWE Raw         |                        |                                    |                      | WWE Raw              |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 407   | 419 | RSP    | Poker                | CMI             | Hockey NHL Vancouver Canucks vs. Dallas Stars |                    |                    | Hockey                        | News            | Poker                  | Sportsnet News                     | Baseball             | World                |                         |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KSTW   | WifeKids             | Bernie M.       | WifeKids                                      | Bernie M.          | Queens             | Queens                        | Seinfeld        | 70s                    | One One All Of Us                  | Girlfriend           | Half&Half            | Seinfeld                | 70s       | SouthPk | SouthPk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |     | KVOS   | Montel Williams      | F.Feud          | Yes, Dear                                     | Elimidate          | Elimidate          | Queens                        | Queens          | The Daytrippers (1996) | Hope Davis.                        | W&Grace              | Queens               | Païd                    | Serve P.  |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 290   | 382 | KCPQ   | SaveBell             | Fresh P.        | Shoot   | King Hill          | Simpsons           | Malcolm                       | Simpsons        | Malcolm                | Prison Break                       | 24                   | Q-13 News            | Simpsons                | King Hill |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 502   | 390 | NEWS   | Can. Now             | Can. Now        | CBC News: Hour                                | News: The National | The Passionate Eye |                               |                 |                        |                                    |                      |                      | CBC News: Hour          |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 289   | 381 | KIRO   | Judy                 | Judy            | News  | News               | News               | ET                            | Access          | Queens                 | Christine                          | Half Men             | Christine            | News                    | Late Sh.  |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 288   | 380 | KOMO   | First News @ 4       |                 | KOMO 4 News                                   | News               | News               | Fortune                       | Jeopardy        | Wife Swap              | Supernanny                         | Miracle Workers      | News                 | 35 News                 |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65  | 394 | VISION | Touched By Angel     |                 | Mysterious Ways                               | Eden               | Divine R.          | Vision                        | Crede           | Hope Island            | McLeod                             | Eden                 | Divine R.            | 7th Heaven              |           |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| 257   | 308 | CBC   | C.Beach           | YamRoll               | Simpsons            | Frasier              | News            | Can. Now  | 22 Mins.   | Corrie St.               | R. Mercer | Comedy   | At the Hotel | News: The National       | News        | Zed Real  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 320   | 621 | MC1   | Movie             | Living With the Enemy |                     | Hide and Seek (2005) | Robert De Niro. | Big Love  |            | The Sopranos             |           |          |              | Thought Crimes           | Navi Rawat. | Movie     |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 256   |     | CITY  | Daily             | Inside Ed.            | A Channel News at 5 |                      |                 | Fortune   | Jeopardy   | America's Next Top Model |           |          |              | Missing                  | News        | 35 Daily  |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 287   | 379 | KING  | Oprah Winfrey     | KING News             | News                | News                 | News            | Magazine  | Inside Ed. | Joey                     | Joey      | Scrubs   | Scrubs       | Law & Order: S.V.U.      | News        | 35 J.Leno |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 255   | 358 | CH    | Days of Our Lives | CH News               | News                | News                 | News            | PastLives | 70s        | NCIS                     | Practice  | Standing | Boston Legal | News                     |             |           |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250   | 321 | CTVBC | Tyra Banks Show   | CTV News              | News                | News                 | News            | eTalk     | Access     | American Idol            |           |          |              | The Amazing Race         | News        | News      |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 251   | 336 | GBLBC | Oprah Winfrey     | News                  |                     |                      |                 |           |            |                          |           |          |              |                          |             |           |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| <p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Simply Organic.</b> Organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints, followed by coffee &amp; muffin, 10:10 am</p> <p><b>Wednesday Night Live!</b> Hosted by Paul Branscombe at Moby's, 8 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Short History of Galiano.</b> SS Historical Society event at Central Hall, 2 pm</p> <p><b>International Women's Day.</b> Beyond Laws: the Right to Be Me is this year's theme. Mahon Hall, 4 pm</p> <p><b>Islands Trust Council.</b> Meets at ArtSpring, 1-5 p.m.</p> <p><b>North End Toy Library.</b> Wednesdays at SS Elementary multi-purpose room, 10-11:30 am</p> <p><b>Storytime With Ms. S.</b> Fun book program at SS Library for kids aged 6 and under. 10:30-11 am</p> | <p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Alan Miceli.</b> Acoustic guitar at Tree House South.</p> <p><b>Salt Spring Idol.</b> Karaoke contest at the Legion, 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Open Stage.</b> At Fulford Pub.</p> <p><b>Matt &amp; Tom's One Night Stand.</b> Live with Matt Johnson &amp; Tom Hooper at Shipstones, 9 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>SS Ice Park Society.</b> Meeting at Portlock Park, 7 pm.</p> <p><b>Islands Trust Council.</b> Meets at ArtSpring, 10:30-5.</p> | <p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Richard Cross.</b> Folk and country blues at Tree House South.</p> <p><b>The Arrogant Worms.</b> Comedy-music troupe performs at ArtSpring, 8 pm</p> <p><b>Stirred not Shaken.</b> With local DJs at Shipstones, 8 pm</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Islands Trust Council.</b> Meets at ArtSpring, 8:30-3.</p> <p><b>South End Toy Library.</b> Fridays at Fulford Elementary gym, 10:30-11:30 am. Info: 653-9904.</p> | <p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Tom Hooper &amp; the Angry Hippies.</b> Perform at Barb's Buns, 8 pm</p> <p><b>Mowbray &amp; Wall.</b> Sax &amp; guitar jazz at Tree House South.</p> <p><b>Rainbow Grooves Community Dance.</b> With DJ Dancing Wolf at Lions Hall, 9 pm. All ages dance.</p> <p><b>House Party.</b> With DJ Matt J at Moby's, 8 pm</p> <p><b>Karaoke With Rick &amp; Terri.</b> At the Legion, 7:30 pm.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Rammed Earth Basics.</b> Hands-on workshops. www.sirewall.com</p> | <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Spirituality &amp; Ability.</b> Unitarian Fellowship at Fulford Hall OAP, 10:30 am</p> <p><b>Rammed Earth Basics.</b> Day 2.</p> | <p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p><b>Texas Hold'em.</b> Fun tourney at Fulford Pub, 7 pm.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Floor Hockey.</b> Mondays at Fulford Hall, 7-9 pm</p> <p><b>Women's Drop-in Basketball.</b> GISS gym. (Note new spot) 6:30-8 pm. Mondays through March. Info: 537-5995</p> <p><b>SS Toastmasters.</b> Meet at ArtSpring, 7 pm</p> <p><b>Eckhart Tolle.</b> Practising Presence Group meets Mondays, 7:30-9 pm. Info: Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p><b>SSI Solid Waste Advisory Committee.</b> Meets at SS Baptist Church, 10:15 am</p> <p><b>Songwriting Intensive.</b> Third session offered. www.allowedsound.com. 537-2294</p> <p><b>Faerie Camp.</b> Spring break creative arts camp for kids aged 5-12 with Oona McOuat starts today. Call 538-6228.</p> | <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Pharmasave Walking Club.</b> Rain or shine, 30-minute walk. Meet at downtown store Tuesdays at 9:15 am. Chris or Mel, 537-5534.</p> <p><b>wed. march 15</b></p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p><b>Simply Organic.</b> Organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints, followed by coffee &amp; muffin, 10:10 am</p> <p><b>Storytime With Ms. S.</b> Fun book program at SS Library for kids aged 6 and under. 10:30-11 am</p> |

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**FRENCH SONG:** Taking the stage in the high school multi purpose room during last Thursday's Soiree Francophone are (clockwise from left): Eryn Krieger, Charlotte Mellstrom, Dalhi Gonthier, DJ Lake, Gordon Havelaar, Simon Millerd and Keegan McColl. The event celebrated 25 years of French Immersion in the local school district.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## CatSnip lends a hand to local cat population

By DAWN HAGE

Driftwood Contributor

Salt Spring organization Friends for Cats and the Animal Advocates Society of West Vancouver have teamed up to provide free spay and neuter clinics for all island cats in need.

The Animal Advocates Society, founded by Judy Stone, contacted five small cat groups across the province to partner in the clinics, realizing a long-term initiative to fight the ongoing overpopulation problem and providing much needed financial support to the local groups.

Friends For Cats, run by islander Lyn MacDonald, is an organization devoted to aiding and assisting felines and promoting spaying and neutering of both domestic and feral cats.

"A feral cat is not a stray cat," explained MacDonald. "A feral cannot be approached

by a human . . . they will flee and can only be captured by trapping. A stray may be wary of humans, but will not have the same aversion and fear of human contact."

If islanders come across a litter of feral cats, they are advised to contact MacDonald immediately. If the kittens are approached and handled before six weeks of age, there is a good chance of domesticating them and possibly finding homes.

"Sometime people wait to call me until they think the cats are old enough to be neutered, but by then they are completely feral and will never be able to live inside. However, if we can get them spayed or neutered, and then fed regularly, they will settle into a routine, become friendlier and not contribute to the population explosion. The solution is actually very simple."

Who is eligible for the free

surgery? Anyone who needs help financially to have their pet spayed or neutered, or anyone reporting feral cats on their property or in their neighbourhood. Clients' contributions toward veterinary fees are appreciated, but not required.

"Any cat that needs help will get it, no questions asked," said MacDonald.

The clinic is ongoing as long as funds exist and invaluable donor contributions will enable the spaying and neutering to continue.

To make an appointment, report sighting of feral cats, or to donate funds, call MacDonald at 537-5631.

Donations to the Animal Advocates Society can be mailed to Box 114, #103-1075 Marine Drive, North Vancouver, B.C., V7P 3T6. Contact phone number is 1-604-984-8826 and the website is [www.animaladvocates.com](http://www.animaladvocates.com).

## Heritage map now available

The latest edition of the Island Pathways Heritage Map is now available for purchase.

The original map, produced in 2000, was awarded first prize by the B.C. Heritage Foundation. Third-edition updates began in early 2005 and Island Pathways is touting the new edition as being the most accurate map of Salt Spring Island.

"Many hours have been spent driving around the island to check correct street names and placement, and checking records and facts of all kinds," states Wendy Webb, co-coordinator of the map project.

Changes to the new edition include an altitude legend, National Park Reserves, arrows showing steep hills, and a new and updated hand painted Ganges inset, created by Donald Gunn.

With over 100 corrections and additions, the map demonstrates many months of hard work by both Island Pathways members and local graphic artist Pat Walker, who donated part of her 125 hours of work to the project.

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# Firefighting "lifer" hanging up his boots

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Staff Writer

When he first joined the Salt Spring Island Volunteer Firefighters Association 25 years ago, Russ Murcheson swears the promise of an all-night prawn feast had nothing to do with his decision to sign up.

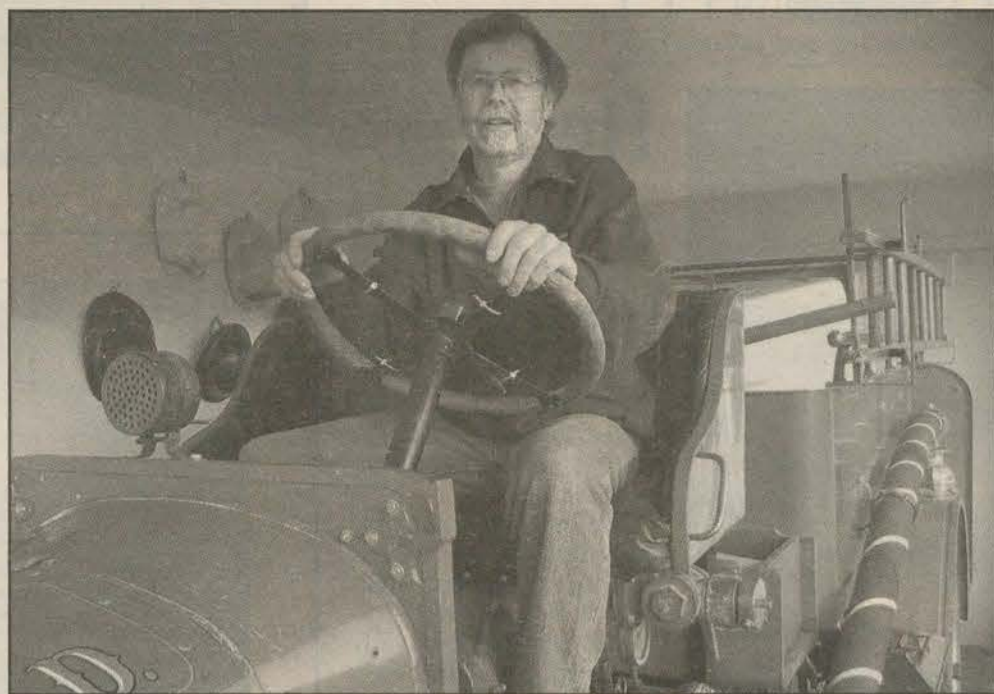
In an interview just after his retirement from the force this year, Murcheson said he and his crew had little choice but to boil up the works after an electrical fire on a trawler docked at Centennial Dock left the catch of the day exposed to the elements.

With no power and a freezer full of thawing prawns on a warm summer night, he explained, the crew was lucky to have some butter on hand at the station across the road.

"We were up until 5 a.m. at the fire hall that night," he recalled. "It was quite a feast."

Though officers undoubtedly went above and beyond the call of duty, it was all in a day's work for Russ Murcheson.

Other firefighters describe



RETIRED: Russ Murcheson "rides" into the sunset of his career as a volunteer firefighter on Salt Spring. Photo by Sean McIntyre

him as a steady, reliable workhorse whose mechanical knowledge remains unsurpassed by anyone on the squad.

"He was the go-to-guy when anything went wrong on any of the vehicles," said

former volunteer firefighter Bruce Patterson. "You could always count on him to show up and help you out when the going got rough."

Thanks to his work on the "old-truck committee," Murcheson's mechanical

aptitude helped keep the main fire hall's antique fire engine in great shape after all these years

In his two-and-a-half decades of service, Murcheson said, he's seen the force become a whole lot more

high tech, in spite of the occasional money-saving tips he liked to bring forward.

After questioning the merits of a costly thermal imaging device several years back, he admits it's probably paid off.

"We don't have to feel around in the dark for hot-spots anymore," he said.

Aside from the upgrades, the 25-member force he joined in the 1980s has mushroomed to more than 40, the majority of whom, he said, are youngsters keen to answer every call.

Murcheson will still drop in to the odd meeting to pass on some of his old-school firefighting techniques, though he questions how much he can contribute to such a highly trained bunch.

When he started out, the association was as much a social club as anything else, he said.

The island's growing population has changed that, he noted.

"There is so much more to learn now, but even though there may be more to it, it's

just as much fun."

In all his years with the force, Murcheson's feats of bravery include everything from tragic house fires to the quintessential lost cat rescue missions.

He has seen the department come a long way from its roots and is proud to have seen it evolve into a full-fledged community organization that's responsible for even more than turning up when things get hot.

First response emergency calls, fundraising for local charities, helping out at the Fall Fair, educating the community about fire safety and the occasional prawn or two have all made the past 25 years time well spent.

"It was always something I'd really wanted to do," he said. "Helping out the community and saving people sure beats sitting around."

With hopes of tinkering around with machines in the yard and spending time with his wife Shirley or his two sons Paul and Steve, Murcheson's retirement will undoubtedly keep him busy for a long time to come.

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**VIETNAM REMEMBERED:** Islander Bruce Logan (seen here at age 24) served two tours in Vietnam between 1966-67 and 1970-71. Photo contributed

# Peace pilgrimage

*Bruce Logan hopes a trip to Vietnam will bring closure to time spent fighting in a "purposeless" war.*

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Thirty-five years ago, islander Bruce Logan vowed he'd never return to Vietnam.

Back in 1971, he'd served his second tour as a U.S. Army officer in an ugly war he didn't want to fight; and the country embodied experiences that "left an indelible mark" on his soul.

"What bothered me an awful lot was the waste of life, both U.S. and Vietnamese, the purposelessness of it all, especially now."

But last Friday he flew back to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam as a part of a program that brings closure for American veterans and humanitarian assistance for citizens of the battleground.

"I am hoping this will be cathartic for me and allow me to replace some of the very negative imagery that is seared into my memory with scenes of a peaceful countryside and vibrant culture," Logan said before he and his wife Elaine Head left on the trip.

They are travelling to Vietnam as part of a non-profit program called Tours of Peace (TOP), along with other veterans and their family members who want to exorcise demons and build a better connection with the country.

They plan to visit orphanages, a leprosy camp and various facilities for the blind, elderly and physically handicapped, she said.

"There's some kind of humanitarian project every day," Head said. "One of the things we're obligated to do is collect donations."

The group will also deliver wheelchairs, medical supplies, personal hygiene items, toys for kids and various other kinds of aid.

Each participant is responsible for managing a project, Head noted.

"It's not a holiday. It's all work," she said.

"It's about healing and closure for the veterans and their families," added Logan.

The local couple has bought things to give to Vietnamese charities, friends have made donations and local merchants volunteered items for the cause.

"I'm looking forward to the opportunity of extending some compassion to a people with whom I had very little contact and, frankly, for whom I have some remorse for having contributed to the disruption of their culture and



**SEEKING CLOSURE:** Local veteran Bruce Logan and his wife Elaine Head left for Vietnam last Friday as part of a tour to exorcise demons of war and bring humanitarian aid to the developing nation. Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

the decimation of their countryside those many years ago," Logan said.

Along with humanitarian assistance, TOP members will visit personally significant sites from the war and participate in group therapy sessions each evening to debrief the day. Head and Logan have already corresponded with their group and learned some of their experiences with the war.

"They have been very courageous in sharing their stories and in their decisions to go back. We're very much looking forward to meeting these folks," Head said.

Logan wants to visit a region near the village of Cu Chi, once called the "Iron Triangle," where he served.

"[It was] a region of fierce and ugly fighting where I spent my first tour serving as an infantry platoon leader."

His first connection with the war was in 1966 when he was 24 years old.

"I had been in Vietnam for about a week and failed to realize what a dangerous and lethal environment I had landed in — until this first operation, where I was shot down in a helicopter, spending the next 24 hours in a fire fight in a rice paddy."

But his war experiences weren't all about constant combat the way it is in the movies, he said.

"There were long periods of boredom punctuated with moments of intense terror."

And by thrashing through jungles, weathering intense humidity and living with leeches, soldiers fought the environment almost as much as other combatants.

"On my first tour, I can count on one hand the number of nights I slept in a bed with sheets within a year."

Surprisingly, Logan volunteered to return to Vietnam for a second tour in

1970, even though he had lost faith in the war.

"When I was there on the first tour, I bought the party line."

But within that year he grew concerned about the reasons for being there, Logan said.

"It took my first tour and considerable time afterwards for me to realize that it was unwinnable. And it took another 20 years to get the 'Aha' that we didn't understand their culture."

It was the camaraderie of his fellow soldiers that kept him in the military, where he remained until 1988 when he retired as a Lt. Colonel.

Logan believes that support within the military helped shelter him from common problems like substance abuse and post-traumatic stress disorder that struck other veterans. He also wrote a journal of his experiences, which proved therapeutic.

"You could be in the jungle on a Monday and back at home on a Wednesday. They're home in their community and the topic of Vietnam doesn't come up, as if they've been in Europe on a lark."

And he acknowledges that draft dodgers faced their own set of problems from the war.

"The guys who left the U.S. are veterans as well. They were touched by that same fire . . . we all acted on our own convictions."

Now Logan is with fellow veterans on a pilgrimage to face memories none would eagerly recall.

"I am a little concerned about the possibility of encountering some demons that may have been lurking beneath my consciousness for several decades," he said. "But for the most part, Elaine and I are very much looking forward to it."

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# Wilkie Way trail approved for link

Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee (LTC) has agreed to accept a 0.667-hectare parkland dedication from a 13.35-hectare property owned by Gordon Cudmore on Wilkie Way, as did the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) last week. The proposed trail runs between Wilkie Way and the

Catholic Diocese lands at the base of Mount Belcher. When the latter lands are developed, more paths are anticipated to Ganges and Moutat Park. "I'm delighted that we are making these trail connections," said trustee Peter Lamb at the February 28 LTC meeting.

The subdivision application would not normally require a parkland dedication, except that the application was submitted within five years of a previous subdivision of the same parent parcel, noted Islands Trust planner John Gauld. "We'd be happy to take it," said Parks and Recreation

Commission (PARC) chair Rosemary Trump. At last Monday's PARC meeting, operations manager Dave Gibbon said the trail consists of a wide corridor and represents five per cent of the entire subdivision, not just the current section. "It seems to be quite a generous offer," said Gibbon.



**HEE HAW:** Carly Hunsberger and Abi O'Donnell partner up for some good old fashioned square dancing as Fulford Community School holds its annual barn dance last Thursday. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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## Maya Griggs makes university dean's list

Maya L. Griggs of Salt Spring Island has been selected for inclusion on the dean's list for academic achievement during the fall 2005 semester at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York. To be eligible for the dean's list at St. Lawrence University, a student must have completed at least four semester units and have an academic average of 3.6 (based on a perfect 4.0 scale) for the semester. Griggs is majoring in English with a minor in Outdoor Studies. She graduated from Shawnigan Lake School in Shawnigan Lake and her mother Tamar Griggs lives at Bold Bluff on Salt Spring.

## Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

### The Greenwoods Foundation

Invites you to attend a fundraising event to benefit our new Assisted Living Building.

**ARTSPRING**  
**MARCH 31st**  
**1PM - 6PM - Silent Auction**

**APRIL 1st**  
**10AM - 6PM ~ Silent Auction**  
**6PM ~ Silent Auction items will be distributed and refreshments will be served**  
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The Assisted Living Building is being constructed at a cost of \$7,700,000.00, with the majority of the cost being borne by BC Housing, Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA) the Capital Regional District (CRD) & Canada Housing & Mortgage Corp.

The community at large has been asked to raise \$350,000.00; to date the Greenwoods Foundation has received approximately \$100,000.00.

We look forward to seeing you on March 31st & April 1st.

Complimentary tickets are available from the ArtSpring Box Office, starting March 9th. Please return these tickets if you find you are unable to attend

Walk-through tours of the new facility are being planned, please watch this space for tour date and time announcements.

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# Island Comfort Quilts needs volunteers for 2nd annual bee

By **DAWN HAGE**

Driftwood Contributor

"We believe that friends are quiet angels who lift our wings when we have trouble remembering how to fly."

Inscribed on the label of every Island Comfort Quilt, that motto sums up the philosophy of the island group dedicated to making the journey of those individuals fighting a life-threatening disease just a little bit warmer.

Whether seasoned quilter, novice or non-sewer, all volunteers are welcome at the Island Comfort Quilting Bee on Saturday, March 18. Last year's quilting bee drew 113 volunteers whose efforts resulted in 60 quilts and 55 carry bags being created. Over the year, all but 10 have been distributed.

Organizer Carol Simpson hopes this year's event will eclipse the 2005 total and result in 85 to 100 quilts.

Diagnosed with cancer several years ago, Simpson received a quilt from an organization in Ottawa and was overwhelmed with the uplifting effect the gesture had on both her spirit and her physical state.

"Cancer shocks the body in so many ways and you often feel cold," said Simpson. "The effects of radiation treatment, travelling to and from appointments in the car, even the shock of

the diagnosis can make you cold. I carried my quilt with me to all my radiation treatments . . . the comfort it gave me was indescribable."

After recommending quilts to other friends and observing a similar reaction, and unable to return to work, Simpson decided to look into creating an island chapter of Comfort Quilts.

"Originally we were going to try and just join up with the Ottawa group, but we discovered that they provided quilts only to cancer patients and we wanted to offer quilts to individuals suffering from any kind of serious disease," explained Simpson. "So we started our own group here on the island instead."

Headed by chair Marguerite Lee, the organization currently has a committee of nine quilters.

"[Lee] is not a quilter, but we wanted her to be chair because she has amazing organizational abilities," enthused Simpson. "She sees the whole picture."

The March 18 event takes place between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and has been organized like a well-oiled machine, with a great deal of work already completed by the committee.

"We have eight or nine patterns that we work from," explained Simpson. "First, cloth is cut to fit the patterns and then inserted into a Zip-

loc bag that includes a card. Anyone who works on any aspect of the quilt is asked to sign the card."

"On the day of the bee, quilters will sew the pieces together, sign the card and put them in a bin for the next stage. Quilts are made up of three sections — the top, the batting and the flannelette backing. Batting and backing need to be cut from the patterns and then the pinning people pin together the three layers."

"The tiers, using strands of embroidery floss, take the needle through all three layers every six inches. Next the quilt goes to the binders who finish the process. The last stage is the 'quiet room,' where hand stitching takes place to reinforce the binding."

Finally, after all sewing is completed, a special label is attached.

Completed quilts are then stored in blue plastic totes that live in Simpson's basement. The carry bags that house the quilts are also pieced together in a similar assembly line format.

Fabric for the bags is donated from sample swatches from Sharon Crouse of Sharon's Country Home and textile manufacturers.

Quilting bee volunteers will be treated like royalty when it comes to lunch and refreshments.

"My sister, Lynn Brand, had a philosophy that volunteers should be treated like kings and queens," said Simpson. "Last year, you could order a sandwich made to your own personal specifications. We will also have coffee, tea, muffins, veggies . . . there will be a great lunch provided."

Donations of both cash and fabric are greatly appreciated. Fabric needs to be 100 per cent cotton and a minimum of 1/4 metre in size. Collection baskets are at Stitches and Curves.

All volunteers are welcomed for the quilting bee, but organizers request that they call or e-mail to confirm attendance as numbers are needed to determine necessary chairs, tables and refreshment supplies.

"We prefer e-mail if possible," said Simpson. "If you don't have e-mail, please call and leave a message. All calls will be returned."

The March 18 quilting bee takes place at the Community Gospel Church. Contact organizers through e-mail at islandcomfortquilts@salt-spring.com or phone 653-2000.

# Homeopathic vet conference here

Internationally renowned veterinarian and homeopath Peter Gregory will be keynote speaker at a three-day conference for homeopathic veterinarians held at the Harbour House on Salt Spring Island.

Beginning March 11, delegates are coming from as far afield as San Diego, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Edmonton and Toronto, with speaker Gregory travelling from England for the event.

The conference has been arranged by local homeopaths Robin Logan and Elizabeth Hemmings, who said they saw a demand for good-quality post-graduate training in homeopathy for vets.

Although not vets themselves, they will soon be working at the Gulf Islands Veterinary Clinic alongside veterinarians David MacDonald and Sacha Edgell.



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### ARCHITECT SERVICES NEW FIRE STATION

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The project is the construction of an approximately 12,000 square foot Fire Station that will accommodate 5 on duty full time firefighters, as well as a complement of 42 volunteer firefighters. The facility will be comprised of 3 double drive through bays accommodating six pieces of apparatus, hose and training tower, administration area, gear storage, workshop, kitchen, offices, physical fitness area, a training and shared use assembly area and some living accommodation for on-duty firefighters.

The design should also include provisions for a diesel/propane generator capable of providing backup electrical power for the operation of the entire facility during power outages.

Proponents are required to submit five (5) copies of their proposal in a sealed envelope clearly identified as "Expression of Interest in designing New Fire Station #1 on Salt Spring Island BC". We would expect that all proposals would include qualifications and details of previous projects of a similar type.

Sealed proposals, will be received by the Fire Chief Dave Enfield, up to 2:00pm local time, April 10th, 2006. Proposals received after the noted due time will not be considered.

Inquiries and proposals should be directed to  
**Fire Chief Dave Enfield**  
Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District  
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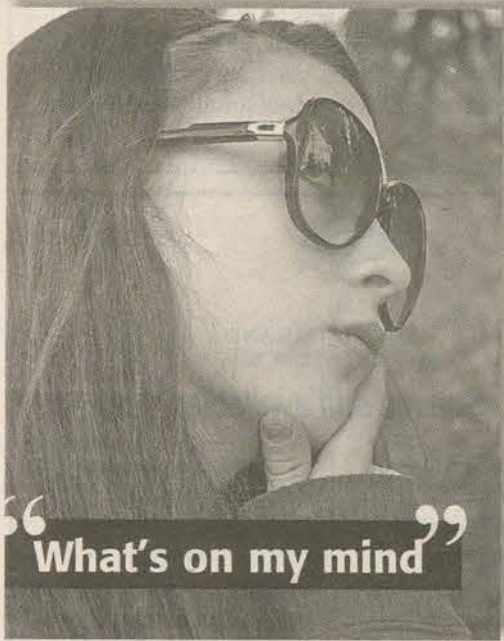
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# WHAT We have TO say...

This page written by Gulf Islands Secondary School work experience students assigned to the Driftwood newspaper.

## Does the skate park welcome everyone?



“What’s on my mind”

by DANIELLE RAINSFORD

**F**undraising for the new Salt Spring skate park was accomplished by youth, local businesses and enthusiastic parents in the hopes it would be a great place to skate and hang out for everyone.

The youth seem to be enjoying both of these aspects, but what about the younger skaters and families that would want to be there as well?

We seem to have a stereotypical vision of youth these days. That they are all punks and bad kids (especially skaters). If this was true, the younger skaters would probably feel unsafe and scared to be at the skate park when the older kids are there, but this is not the case. I talked to four of Salt Spring’s younger skaters from grades 7 and 8 at Salt Spring Island Middle School, which is located right next to the Kanaka Road skate park. All four said, “No, it’s all cool [with the older kids around].”

They’re all here to skate right. None of the boys was sure if the skate park becoming a family-oriented place was a good idea or not.

Fourteen-year-old Dustin Sanders said, “It’s a place for teenagers to hang out.”

And Orion Dawn-Prince, age 12, added, “Yeah



From left, Orion Dawn-Prince, Mitch Canning, Kaz Johnston and Dustin Sanders getting ready to skate!

Photo by Danielle Rainsford

and we don’t want people walking all over the park in their dirty shoes.”

So maybe it’s a matter of respect. If you don’t disturb the skaters or walk on their cement, sure you’re welcome to watch.

Talking with two of Salt Spring’s older skaters, 16-year-old Joel Eddington and Danny Chamblin, 17, I got a different point of view on the family being part of the skate park.

Right away Danny replied, “Yeah, of course.”

Joel was a little more hesitant to answer, but finally decided that it would be cool. They both love the idea of people coming and watching — it gets them stoked!

Families seem welcome by our skaters, as long as they respect that the athletes are there to learn.

But my question was: “Why would you bring your family to the skate park?”

There is no place to sit and have a picnic or play a game. The swing set is on the other side of the fence and not part of the skate park itself.

Stefan Gessinger, a local skater, father and volunteer helper for the skate park, said this summer they plan to make the park more family oriented. The plan is to include more playground equipment, to improve access-ways, open the skate and play area and have benches and water fountains, in the hopes that these improvements will make the park more inviting.

After these summer changes are made to our skate park, it will be a great place to bring your kids and hang out for the day. Remember, don’t be intimidated by the skaters — they are just doing what they love.



High school skaters Joel Eddington (left) and Danny Chamblin.

Photo by Danielle Rainsford

## Is Salt Spring really a good place to raise children?

by AULDEN MCQUEEN-DENZ

**A**s a student and someone born on Salt Spring, I constantly see recurring stereotypes about this island. The two most common are that Salt Spring is nice and is a good place to raise children.

Now, Salt Spring is a nice place. Friendly people, good neighbours and, in general, quiet residential areas. But to say that it is a good place to raise your children, I would have to disagree.

Yes, Salt Spring has friendly people and the environment is beautiful, but we still have problems. For one, we grow up sheltered, generally untouched by modern media and outside influence. This is good, but I think, that this isolation should be done in moderation.

If the parents of a child growing up on Salt Spring have strong points of view, that child will take on the same opinions. They will begin to see the world as their parents see it. I know a few people who were sheltered by their parents and became drug addicts, alcoholics or just lazy, unable to cope with the real world, after they left the island.

The media is damaging, but you still need to be aware of the changes in the world.

Another thing I’ve noticed is the surrounding culture. Salt Spring is generally lax with and laidback about drugs. I know of quite a few people in my school who go outside and smoke weed during lunch hour.

I not saying that the police should go out and bust all of these kids, because growing up with a criminal record would be difficult. It’s just that these kids now



“What’s on my mind”

think that police don’t care. They then go through life with this thought, and finally get off Salt Spring.

But guess what? They’ll get busted for doing something illegal that they thought they could get away with.

I’ve only been stating the negative side, though. There is some truth in stereotypes. When I was growing up, Salt Spring was wonderful and it still is.

Very friendly people, gorgeous environment and excellent schools. It’s just that we shouldn’t trust in the fact that because Salt Spring is so nice, our children will grow up to be perfect human beings. The parents have to take some responsibility.

However, the parents are not all to blame, either. Kids on this island need to realize when something is a bad or good decision. Should I skip school and have a quick few hours of fun, or stay in school, and create more opportunities for myself? The key is moderation.

## Core Inn re-opening bigger and better than ever

by CHANTELLE GOEIJON



“What’s on my mind”

**A**fter all the waiting, it appears that the Core Inn Youth Centre may finally be getting ready to open its doors once again.

Though most of the work is now done, there is still one wall to be finished around the kitchen vent. It is supposed to be completed soon, but the building regulations are still unclear. So it looks like they are at the mercy of the company they hired in the beginning to get it done.

As for the cost, nobody has actually seen the final bill, but the guesstimate is around \$400,000, not including the loss of staff and momentum the facility had been building up before the fire on October 29, 2004.

Despite the loss, the people involved with the Core Inn Youth Project Society seem to be getting back on their feet. The youth council has some great ideas. From creating a recording studio, to publishing a magazine, they have many plans for the Core Inn. They hope to have at least two events per month for youth, since they have received some funding.

By renting out the second and third floors, they hope to generate some revenue they lost when their long-standing tenant, Phoenix Alternate High School, moved out after the fire.

I, as a youth, think that the improved youth centre will continue to be a great place for youth from ages 12 to 18 to hang out.

“This is a youth centre and we’re just totally open for youth to come

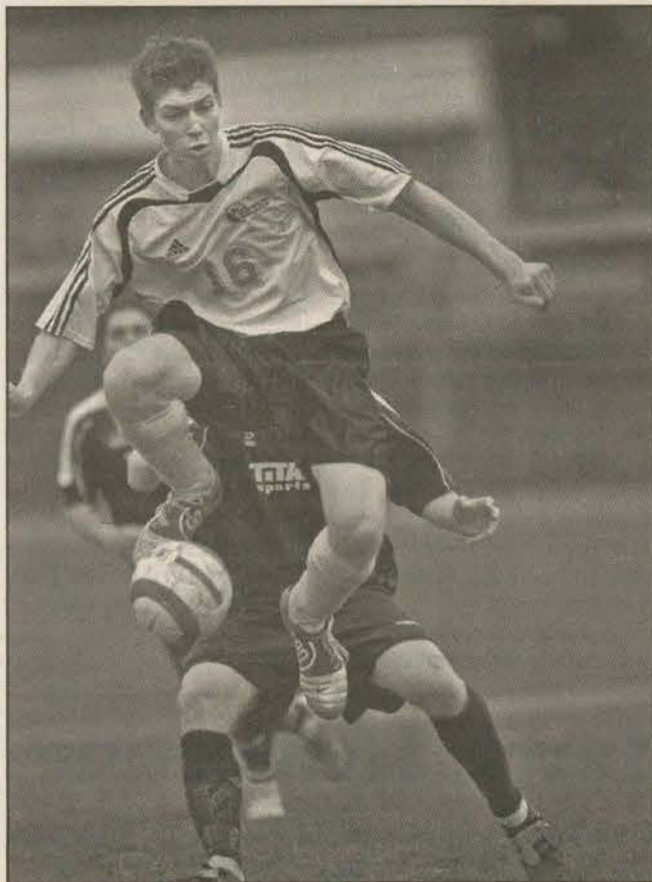
in and give fresh ideas,” said Trish Nobile, the youth coordinator for the Core Inn. “It’s a new start and a new energy. I hope for it to be bigger and better than ever before.”

There has not been a set opening date yet, but when it does open, they plan to have an open house, so you can see for yourself the great changes that have been made there. It seems that there is an upside to this tragedy.

With their energetic youth council and staff, the centre should be accommodating to most youth on Salt Spring.



From left, Laura Stewart, Emily Little, Nikita Pardiwala are members of the Youth Council.



**IN THE AIR:** Jeremy Byron leaps for the kick during a Div. 1 FC win against Gordon Head last weekend.

Photo by John Cameron

## Titans fall to FC slings in Portlock game Saturday

Salt Spring FC's nonchalant Division-1 men came back from behind to beat the vaunted Gordon Head Titans by 2-1 at Portlock Park on Saturday.

"We were down 1-0 at the half and everybody was really relaxed and didn't care too much," said manager Jordan Morrison.

FC came back after the break and fed a well-located Blake Bettiss (called up from the Div.-5 squad) to tie up the match.

"He shot it home and got his first goal of the year — for the fives and us," Morrison said.

With only two or three minutes remaining, Jeremy Morrison slotted a goal from the same chink in Titan armour that Bettiss had found to win the match.

FC players were happy with the win against the second-place-ranked Titan squad.

Left without too many regular starters, FC had fine help from Div.-5 players Bettis and Jeremy Byron, along with Old Boys Jesse Fisher and Dave McColl, he said.

"Everyone had a strong game and Chris Griffiths had another strong game in net."

FC is scheduled to play in Nanaimo at 7 p.m. on Saturday. "That's our last game of the year. It would be nice to end with another win."

## Youth can learn to row at spring break

Local youth are invited to join the Salt Spring Island Rowing Club through a Learn to Row program set to launch during the spring break from school.

Prospective rowers aged 12-18 can join one of two sessions that run Monday to Friday (March 13-17) in the morning (9-11 a.m.) or the afternoon (3-5 p.m.).

Participants will learn how to sweep (one long oar) and scull (two oars).

Instructor Stacy Mitchell first began rowing when she was 13 after a club made a presentation to her class.

"I thought, 'I want to try that,' and it

went from there."

Her experience included a stint on the Queens University team. She has Level 1 and 2 theory and technical certification and has coached rowing for the past 15 years in university, with masters and the national high school championships.

Program cost is \$75 and includes five days of instruction with a bonus of four coached rowing sessions after spring break.

"That's to encourage them to continue rowing."

The club also plans to conduct adult "learn to row" classes in April and May. Groups will include men's over 50 and women's classes within recreational, masters and competitive programs.

The club's fleet currently includes an eight seater, three quads, two doubles and a single boat.

"I was pretty impressed when I got here," said Mitchell. For more information, call Stacy at 537-5036. Registration deadline is Saturday, March 11.

"It's fun. It isn't just fitness," Mitchell said.

## SIMS boys sweep basketball championships

Tsunami boys from Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) stomped their way through the Mid-Island Grade-7 Championships in Duncan on Thursday.

SIMS players won three straight games against George Bonner (24-20), Lake Cowichan (55-9) and Mount

Prevost Gold (36-21).

"We only had two practices. They did very well," said coach Gord Hollingsworth.

As one highlight, Hollingsworth was impressed by the restraint and sportsmanship the islanders showed in their second game — which threatened

to become a blowout.

Once SIMS surged ahead, he asked the boys to make five passes before shooting and to allow Lake Cowichan advances to the three-point circle.

"I asked them to hold back and they did."

The SIMS squad was com-

posed of Ben Barter, Kevan Brown, Liam Budd, Rylan Gajek-Leonard, Noah Have-laar, Rhys Hardy, Dylan Hillis, Matthew Hollingsworth, Charlie Holmes, Glen Keough and Clayton Upex.

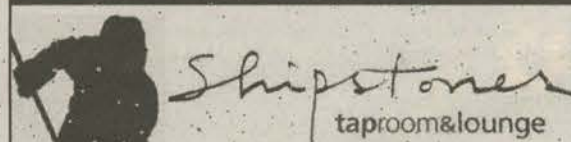
Coaching staff also included Rob Holmes and Tom Upex.

## Driftwood HOCKEY POOL

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| 4.Dekleer Rene       | 384 | 553 | 937 | 41 |
| 5.Langdon Jack       | 388 | 549 | 937 | 42 |
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| 7.Marmorstein Yoni   | 376 | 547 | 923 | 48 |
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| 11.Butler Janet      | 382 | 535 | 917 | 39 |
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| 14.Lynch S           | 405 | 503 | 908 | 42 |
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| 16.Anderson Dennis   | 377 | 530 | 907 | 44 |
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| 20.Johnson Cam       | 370 | 533 | 903 | 43 |
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| 23.Hardy Mike        | 373 | 519 | 892 | 37 |
| 24.Byron Leah        | 359 | 530 | 889 | 38 |
| 25.Luke Kevin        | 373 | 513 | 886 | 43 |
| 26.Eddie Cole        | 375 | 506 | 881 | 44 |
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| 90.Ellis-Stairs Tila | 284 | 445 | 729 | 28 |
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## FALL FAIR FOCUS

By Sandy Barclay

The fall fair theme has been set!

This year will be the 110th anniversary for Salt Spring Island's fall fair. This promises to be a fun and exciting event for everyone!

The theme for this year's fall fair is 'Celebrate Farming's Future'.

Islanders of all ages will be able to participate and plan for entries in the various categories and events that will be featured at the fair.

The fall fair 'Celebrate Farming's Future' will be held **September 16 and 17** at the Farmers Institute on Rainbow Road, so let's start thinking of entries and ideas to celebrate this wonderful event!!

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## Sports Schedule

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

SS Selects vs. Gorge Div. 1

Sun., March 12

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### MEN'S SOCCER

SS Old Boys vs. Sooke

Sun., March 12

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# Local karate club kicks kata at Vancouver Island event



**MEDAL WINNERS:** Salt Spring Island Karate Club members at the Island Open Championships include adults (left to right at back): Brian Box, Jorge Coelho, Sonja Collombin, Leslie Wiens, Louise Faulkner; and youths (at front) Brittany Witherspoon, Eve Olynyk and Nic Honour.

Photo contributed

Salt Spring Island Karate Club (SSIKC) members brought home seven medals from the Island Open Championships held in Sidney, B.C. on February 25.

"For us this is like bringing home the Olympic medals," said SSIKC instructor Randolph Parker.

Competitors were drawn from Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and Washington. Events included point sparring, traditional, weapons and creative forms. And hundreds of people attended the event.

Islander Eve Olynyk, age 11, marked a highlight in the competition by winning silver in her yellow/orange-belt category.

"She did a very quick and technically clean kata with great focus," said Parker. "One of the judges said, 'We seldom see a yellow belt so

focussed.'"

A kata is a series of pre-defined moves against imaginary opponents that demonstrates one's level of ability, Parker noted.

"One of the greatest challenges for competitors is overcoming nerves," he said. "It's very difficult to stand in the centre of a ring with five black-belt judges watching your every move and perform a kata. They look for technique, focus, power, control, breathing and pace. It is a credit to the members of the club that they overcame their nerves and performed well."

Jorge Coelho, who is a blue belt, performed an advance kata called Empi. His focus in the midst of stiff competition netted him a bronze medal.

"A highlight for everyone was seeing the grand cham-

pionship performance in kata by a black belt in hard style. The intense focus and speed balanced with slow precise movement was inspiring and showed the essence and spirit of the martial arts," Parker said.

One "outstanding" benefit of the event is that all proceeds go to the Queen Alexander Hospital for Children, he said.

Other local winners in their respective categories included Sonja Collombin (silver), Brian Box (silver), Leslie Wiens (silver), Louise Faulkner (bronze), Brittany Witherspoon (bronze) and Nic Honour, who received a bronze medal from the SSIKC.

Four local black belts also helped judge the championship: Parker, Monica Byron, Pat Byron and Chris Barclay.

# Relay for Life off and running with March 16 meeting

When the first flame is lit at the inaugural Salt Spring Relay for Life cancer fundraiser on the evening of June 9, it will be sparked by the experience of a Nova Scotia community.

Margo Greggains of Salt Spring was honoured to light the first candle in the Truro event's luminary ceremony last year, as the daughter of a woman considered "the cornerstone of cancer support in Truro."

Her mother died of bone cancer in November of 2004, and had also battled breast cancer several years

earlier. A nurse for 35 years, she started the breast cancer support group in Truro, ran a service that provided prosthesis and clothing for cancer patients who couldn't afford them and participated in the Canadian Cancer Society's information support line.

"She was just a super super amazing woman," said Greggains.

Following in her mother's footsteps, Greggains' experience with the Truro Relay for Life is proving invaluable for Salt Spring's first-ever Relay for Life. It will see teams of participants round the

Portlock Park track and join other festivities for a 12-hour period beginning Friday, June 9 at 7 p.m.

As the organizing committee's "team chair," Greggains is responsible for letting participants know what to expect after they set up their tents at the park. In brief, there's a survivors' lap, a luminary ceremony, movies and entertainment, and lots of walking — with the only stipulation that teams have one member on the track at all times. (That means sleep is possible during the night).

Anyone wanting more informa-

tion about the fundraiser is urged to attend an organizing meeting on Thursday, March 16 at 7 p.m. at the Portlock Park portable. Established team captains (or a co-captain) should definitely attend.

Between eight and 16 people form a team, which must raise a minimum of \$1,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society.

"I think it's going to be a huge community event," said Greggains.


Relay for Life brochures, which contain registration forms, are available at Island Secretarial on Hereford Avenue, or the Cham-

ber of Commerce. Registration can also be done online at [www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca).

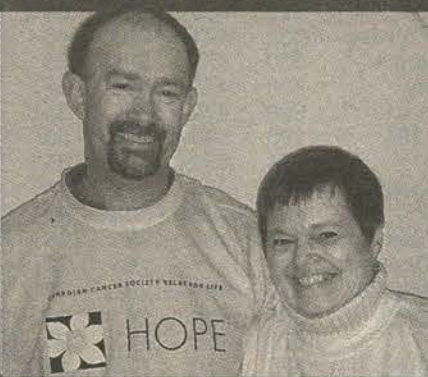
Greggains was also affected by cancer when her husband Ben was diagnosed with lung cancer in February of 2005. Fortunately, he is one of the 15 per cent of operable lung cancer cases.

"I have really been touched by cancer ... so many people are being touched by it."

Salt Spring's Relay for Life coordinator is John Wakefield. He can be reached at [jwakefield@bc.cancer.ca](mailto:jwakefield@bc.cancer.ca), or 537-4624.



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**ON THEIR GAME:** At top, members of Salt Spring's Div.-2 Selects soccer team warm up for a match against Victoria Athletics; at left, Val Cunningham races for the ball.

Photos by Derrick Lundy (top) and Joanne Pal.

## Selects aim to choose more Dragons for future matches

A special guest Dragon might have felt jitters by joining Salt Spring's Division-2 Selects for a match against the Victoria Athletics on Sunday, but Stacy Roodenburg proved her worth with a game-winning goal.

"She was a little nervous before the game and after she scored, I asked her, 'Are you still nervous?'" laughed coach Dave McColl.

Brought up from the Div.-3 Dragons because she wasn't able to go to Victoria with her own team on Sunday, Roodenburg ran hard and tackled hard with the Div.-2 Selects, McColl said.

After a scramble start, Val Cunningham earned a penalty shot and followed her rebound to tally the first goal.

Mardon Dary delivered a cross for Roodenburg to collect the second marking.

"After that, the other team was kind of deflated," McColl said.

But Victoria scored in the second half before Cunningham could pop her second of the game.

Kelly Kerr added another two goals to seal the deal.

"Our team was just so much faster," McColl said. "All the girls played really hard."

Defence was strong and

Emma Rimmer stood out in the second half on right wing.

After a great guest appearance by Roodenburg, McColl hopes to adjust the schedule — the two women's teams currently play on the same day — so he can borrow more Div.-3 women next season.

"There's a whole bunch of players on the team who would totally be able to help us, but they need to play on their own team at the same time."

Selects will play against Gorge Div. 1 at Portlock Park, 12:30 p.m. Sunday in the second round of the Doug Day Cup.

## Dragons maroon Castaways in 7-0 rout

Salt Spring Dragons picked up a confident 7-0 win against the Castaways in an exhibition match at Oak Bay Secondary School on Sunday.

"It sort of boosts your morale to win by so much," said Dragons player Sue-Ann Donaldson.

Joanne O'Connor kicked off scoring within the first five minutes, Liz Wilson scored a hat trick, Donaldson pegged two goals and Lindsey Graham tallied a special goal.

"She scored her first goal ever by being in the right place at the right time," said Donaldson.

Overall, Salt Spring dominated on offence and moved the ball well, Donaldson said.

"Even our defence was shooting on net, which shows that the team is getting more confident and each player is getting more confident."

Donaldson also commended midfielders Stacy Anderson and Lorraine Kopetzki for their efforts, along with sweeper Christine Godlonton, who played a solid game.

The Dragons next visit Lakehill for a cup match on March 12.

"That will be a big game for us. We feel like we should have won the last Lakehill game, and now we know we can."

## HIGH ROLLERS

High scores in recent bowling league play at Kings Lane Recreation were:

Tuesday afternoon seniors: Harald Repen, 206; Ken Robinson, 206; Clara Hicks, 230; Jim Glenn, 231.

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**TENNIS ON TARGET:** Adrian Alonso enjoys some tennis in the sun at Portlock Park. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Premier team on top

Salt Spring's 16-year-old Avery Brown could be in line for a national soccer competition after her Gordon Head Women's Premier team won the league championships Sunday in a 2-0 match against Prospect Lake.

Brown's coach said his team of mostly 16- and 17-year-olds is the youngest team in the history of B.C. women's premier soccer to win the league title on their first try.

Both of the team's goals were scored in the last five minutes of play.

The team will now compete in a provincial event and a win there could springboard them to the nationals.

## Oceanside swamps Div. 5 men

Salt Spring FC's Division-5 men weathered wind, rain, mud and a storming Oceanside team during a 3-0 loss in Parksville on Sunday.

"There was torrential horizontal rain up until the game started and a totally muddy pitch with four inches of mud at the centre," said Div-5 player Jude Shugar.

"It was only 1-0 at the

half, so it was pretty even, but it was tough with the wind and all that kind of business."

But Salt Spring took a red card and went down a player early in the second.

"They got a second goal and that sort of took the wind out of our sails."

While the islanders didn't get too many scoring oppor-

## SOCCER KICKS

Salt Spring's U17 gold boys team travelled to Victoria on Sunday, facing off against top-seeded Juan de Fuca.

Having played Juan de Fuca recently, the team knew it had to out-manoeuvre them in order to win, and that is exactly what they did.

Working with a new defensive strategy of double teaming, the boys applied this strategy on the whole field, and in the process shut down all of Juan de Fuca's outlets.

Salt Spring players did not allow the opposition any time on the ball. They effectively stymied Juan de Fuca, which was reduced to sending quickly cleared balls to Salt Spring's defence.

The local team scored two goals, both shot by Kirby Garside just back from injury. The first was assisted by Rusty Fedberg who volleyed the ball, with Garside landing it in the far low corner.

The second goal occurred when Chris Byron sent a beautiful pass to Garside, who then drilled it high outside the 18-yard box.

The whole team pulled together on this one, switching positions as required and committing to their new offensive/defensive strategy.

tunities, Jeremy Byron, Simon Munneke and Brook Speed played well as centre midfielder, centre back and sweeper, Shugar said.

"Now we just have to focus on our four make-up games."

The Div. 5 men are only four points back from second place with a shot of promotion into Div. 4.

## Rice wine blesses dragon boat at Sunday ceremony



**BLESSINGS:** Members of Salt Spring's newly-formed Dragon Boat team prepare to develop and hone their paddling skills after a ceremonial blessing of the vessel and paddles. Photo by Derrick Lundy

The Salt Spring Dragon Boat season officially got underway Sunday after a ceremonial blessing of the boat and paddles at the "Dragon Zone" on Long Harbour.

Karen Hartley, representing sponsor Ganges Village Market (GVM), poured rice wine over 20 paddles, the 48-foot boat and ceremonial dragon's head.

Over 20 club members attended the ceremony to thank GVM for its sponsorship and to acknowledge other islanders who have helped the club along the way.

The Salt Spring Harbour Authority kept the boat overnight, Russ Crouse towed it from Nose Point to the practice location, Tom Vergalen made the boat sign and Salt Spring Coffee provided refreshments at the welcoming ceremony.

To complete the ceremony, paddlers took the boat out for their first training run, and Salt Spring officially joined the 1,000-year-old sport of dragon-boating.

"While the paddlers were working hard, the spitting rain stopped and the skies cleared. That rice wine must have done something," said coach Mary Rowles.

Practices begin on Sunday, March 19 at 1 p.m. Anyone interested in more information can contact Mary Rowles (653-4139) or email ([maryrowles19@hotmail.com](mailto:maryrowles19@hotmail.com)).

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## Flick Pick

Jarhead's great cinematography can't overcome its timid elements

Jarhead, adapted from one marine's account of his time in the first Gulf War, is as frustrating a film experience as I've ever had. It is a war movie with no war and a beautiful work of art that has barely any political resonance.

The film follows Anthony Swofford from his training days through his roughly three-month stint in the war. Of course, since he was only at "war" for four days, most of the running time is spent watching the marines amuse themselves in the desert. They train, think about their girlfriends and families back home, fight and drink.

If Jarhead has a predecessor it is Kubrick's Full Metal Jacket, another film that looks at the paradoxes of training men for battle in the latter half of the 20th century. They are both war films without actual combat, except for brief moments of incredible tension, much like

the experiences of American soldiers in Vietnam and both Iraq conflicts.

Jarhead, as directed by Sam Mendes, is as anticlimactic as Full Metal Jacket. It's not hard to understand how the marines nearly go bonkers (OK, many actually do, especially later at home) sitting in the 110-degree Saudi desert with absolutely nothing to do, especially when you've seen them whipped into a frenzy by viewing the Wagner-scored helicopter scene in Apocalypse Now.

Unlike Kubrick's decidedly (and intentionally) ugly film, Jarhead is simply gorgeous. Veteran cinematographer Roger Deakins' evocation of the desert is stunning, particularly when the oil fields are lit by retreating Iraqis. A sequence where Swofford encounters a wandering, abandoned stallion drenched in oil that rained from

the sky is perfect as both image and metaphor.

Where the film becomes problematic is politics. Considering the importance of the Gulf War (and the corresponding events in Iraq today), most political comment is brief or only hinted at. Educated left-wingers will see the veiled references to massive Iraqi civilian casualties, the strange conflation of sex and violence in the military, and nods to the increasing modernization of today's warfare.

But the mainstream filmgoer, lured in by the promise of U.S. marines "kicking butt," will leave Jarhead simply annoyed by the lack of action and slow pace. It is a film much like Mendes' breakout film American Beauty: entertaining and insightful, but too timid to do anything more than preach to the Democrat-voting choir.



Jason Tudor

## Community ed course focuses on wilderness first aid abilities

Outdoor adventurers, or anyone who lives, works or visits remote areas far removed from medical facilities could learn life-saving skills through Salt Spring Community Education's Wilderness First Aid program.

The March 24 to 26 course is ideally suited for those who enjoy hiking, kayaking, sailing, boating, or those working for the coast guard, police, search and rescue or fire department.

Program presenter Slipstream Adventures Ltd., founded in 1990, is a highly

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adventurer.

Participants will also learn how to plan and improvise the treatment and evacuation of patients with limited first-aid supplies and materials at hand.

To register for the course, which begins Friday, March 24, 1 to 5 p.m. and continues Saturday-Sunday, March 25-26, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for a cost of \$175, contact Community Education at 537-0037, e-mail to [info@ssicommunityed.com](mailto:info@ssicommunityed.com) or visit [www.ssicommunityed.com](http://www.ssicommunityed.com) and print the registration form.

## Pathways offers helmet program

Members of Island Pathways are boosting cycling safety for islanders with the Helmets for Life program visiting two schools in April.

After sponsoring bike rodeos for elementary school students for the past five years, members of the local cycling organization realized that helmets were a serious safety concern for the kids.

"One thing we discovered very quickly," said Island Pathways president Mar-

garetha Nordine, "was that many students were using helmets in poor condition and/or that did not fit properly, rendering them almost useless."

Helmets for Life was born with an aim to put safe bike helmets on all elementary and middle school students. Offering students safe and "cool" looking helmets, costs are subsidized by Fort Street Cycles in Victoria, who sells them to Island Pathways at cost. Island Pathways pays

an additional \$20 per helmet so students can purchase a \$55 helmet for only \$10. Members also individually adjust students' helmets and teach them the importance of wearing a properly fitted helmet.

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| <p><b>4/5.00</b><br/>Habitant Soup 769 mL</p>        | <p><b>1.39</b><br/>UNICO Pasta Egg Noodle 375g</p>         | <p><b>2.43</b><br/>CLASSICO Pasta Sauce 700mL</p>                 | <p><b>4/3.00</b><br/>UNICO Beans 540mL</p>         | <p><b>3.59</b><br/>KRAFT Miracle Whip 950mL</p>         | <p><b>1.18</b><br/>CLOVER LEAF Pink Salmon 213g</p>         | <p><b>3.25</b><br/>HEINZ Ketchup 1L</p>             | <p><b>2.18</b><br/>MCCAIN Zwak Punch 8 x 250mL</p>                         |
| <p><b>DUNCAN HINES CAKE MIX</b> 515g <b>1.25</b></p> | <p><b>QUAKER MUFFIN OR COOKIE MIX</b> 900g <b>2.78</b></p> | <p><b>GOLDEN BOY *THOMPSON *WALNUTS</b> 750g/400g <b>3.19</b></p> | <p><b>GALLO PURE OLIVE OIL</b> 3L <b>15.98</b></p> | <p><b>KNORR OXO BOUILLON CUBES</b> 16's <b>2.49</b></p> | <p><b>ARM &amp; HAMMER BAKING SODA</b> 500g <b>.98¢</b></p> | <p><b>CHARLIE'S PISTACHIOS</b> 227g <b>2.77</b></p> | <p><b>COTE D'OR BRUT 86% EXTRA DARK CHOCOLATE BAR</b> 100g <b>2.29</b></p> |

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| <p><b>FROZEN FOOD</b></p> <p>MINUTE MAID Orange &amp; Grapefruit Juice 355mL <b>1.09</b></p> <p>MCCAIN Pizza 462-900g <b>5.99</b></p> <p>NALEWAY Perogies 1kg <b>1.99</b></p> <p>ISLAND FARMS Velvet Ice Cream 2L <b>3.99</b></p> |  |  |   | <p><b>DAIRY</b></p> <p>MCLARENS Imperial Cheese 250g ..... <b>4.49</b></p> <p>SWISS KINGHT Cheese Portions 200g ..... <b>3.19</b></p> <p>KRAFT CRACKER BARREL Cheddar or Mozzarella 750g <b>8.99</b></p> <p>TROPICANA PURE Orange Juice 1.89L ..... <b>3.97</b></p> |  |   |   |
| <p><b>CARR'S CRACKERS</b> 125g <b>1.69</b></p>  | <p><b>DAD'S COOKIES</b> 350g <b>2/5.00</b></p>         | <p><b>ULTIMATES TIN-TIE COOKIES</b> 300g <b>2/4.00</b></p> | <p><b>PRINGLES CHIPS</b> 163g <b>2/3.00</b></p>   | <p><b>FIGARO TUNA CAT FOOD</b> 155g <b>5/2.00</b></p>   | <p><b>SUNLIGHT LAUNDRY DETERGENT</b> 12L <b>5.99</b></p> | <p><b>SCOTTIE'S FACIAL TISSUE</b> 100-150's <b>.99¢</b></p> | <p><b>CHARMIN BATHROOM TISSUE</b> double 12's or 24's <b>5.77</b></p> |
| <p><b>3.99</b><br/>NABOB DELUXE Tea Bags 120's</p>  | <p><b>2.88</b><br/>QUAKER *Life Corn Bran 540-730g</p> | <p><b>4/5.00</b><br/>SUNRYPE Juice all varieties 1L</p>    | <p><b>1.99</b><br/>NORTHERN GOLD Granola 750g</p> | <p><b>3.48</b><br/>POST Shreddies 725g</p>  | <p><b>2/5.00</b><br/>FOLGERS Ground Coffee 300g</p>      | <p><b>1.09</b><br/>RICE RONI Rice-A-Roni 140-227g</p>       | <p><b>3/9.99</b><br/>*Coke *Sprite *Canada Dry 12x355mL</p>           |

DEADLINE MONDAY 4PM / TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY DEADLINE: NOON TUESDAY

# Driftwood Classifieds

## Notices

### 6 DEATHS

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**BUY BC INTERIOR \$129**  
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Your 25 word classified will appear in more than 110 community newspapers in BC and the Yukon. Over 2.3 million readers.

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• In person at 328 Lower Ganges Road, Ganges  
• By telephone, 250-537-9933, or fax, 250-537-2613  
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• By post to Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3.

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### 5 BIRTHS

#### FINALLY

Leigh Sturgess & Julie Fletcher are pleased to announce the birth of their 1st child Zackery James Sturgess. After refusing to enter the world the old fashioned way—he was delivered @ Vict. Gen. Hosp. on Dec. 20, 2005 at 8:40 pm., weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. Thank you to our midwives: Terri & Maggie & also Pauline for all her encouragement. Also thank you the staff on the "Happy Floor" (3rd) @ Vict. Gen. Hosp.

### 6 DEATHS

ASH, BARBARA. Born Oct. 3, 1946, died Mar. 5, 2006. Survived by her loving sons Arthur and Russell, and her mother Merle Sheffield, her sisters Kathleen Gass, Anne Titcomb and Linda Sheffield. A gentle spirit who suffered long and is now at rest. Memorial service to be held at St. Mark's Anglican Church on Sat. 11 at 2pm.

### 007.1 PET MEMORIAM

The CEO of **Dave Betts Boat Repairs** after 5840 days of loyal service, has moved on to a higher level. **Razzle Dazzle** will be deeply missed

### 8 CARD OF THANKS

THE PAC at Fulford Elementary School extends their heartfelt thanks to the following businesses and community members: Moby's, Fulford Hall Community Centre, Salt Spring Coffee Company, Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods, Embe Bakery, Party Time Rentals, the Fulford Inn and Jaime Rokeby-Thomas for making our annual fundraiser a success.

A VERY BIG thank you to Colter Barclay the roofer. Your assistance tarping over our smashed skylight and returning the next day to install a new one, all at no charge was greatly appreciated. Colter you really embody the true spirit of our island community! Pen & Ron George.

### 10 CELEBRATIONS

NEW BABY? Call Welcome Wagon for a personal Baby Visit. Gifts & greetings from local businesses and a warm welcome for baby. Andrea 537-8464.

**MATTIE**  
at six



Still: pretty, smart & nice, blond, Dutch & left-handed, loved by Kent, Terra, Lorien and Martin

**NOW 60**



### 20 COMING EVENTS

HELP! ISLAND Comfort Quilts Annual Quilting Bee, Saturday, March 18. Jobs for everyone from helpers to sewers. To volunteer 653-2000.

LEARN HOW to spin your own wool. Beginner spinning classes starting soon. All equipment supplied. For more information call Karen at 537-4164.

INTRODUCTORY COURSE in Reflexology, and level 1, 2 and Masters Reiki now being offered with Julie Howard. Refresher courses also available. 537-9433.

#### POTTERY WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN

Do you want to learn how to throw your own pots on a potter's wheel? Then come and join one of the 4 Monday or Tuesday classes! (Ongoing, for beginners and advanced students). For more info, call Rita, 537-8981.

MODERN DANCE Technique, Mondays, 5:30 - 7pm. Hip Hop, Tuesdays, 6 - 7pm. Mahon Hall, Andrea, 538-0116.

ALASKA YOGA CRUISE  
Join Cornelia Krikke on Holland America for a 7 day Alaska Cruise with Hatha and Ashtanga yoga. May 7 to 14, www.foresthill-studio.com, 538-0196.

UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP: A service on "Spirituality and Ability" with Unitarian Lay Chaplain Amanda Tarling, mother of a young child with severe health challenges. March 12th, Fulford Hall OAP, 10:30. Everyone welcome.

PAINTING CLASSES (water colour or acrylics); new sessions Apr. - Jun. Beginners & intermediates welcome. Call Val Konig 537-9531.

LEARN TO row for Spring Break, ages 12-18, boys & girls, Mar. 13-17. No experience necessary. Come out and have fun. \$75 includes 4 coached rows after session. 9-11am or 3-5pm. Call Stacy 537-5036. Deadline Mar. 11.

YOGA WORKSHOP with Julie Gudmestad, March 24 - 26. \$250 incl. tax. Details 537-2444.

YOGA WITH TY CHANDLER Saturday March 11, 9 - 12 noon. \$35 at Ganges Yoga Studio. Details 537-2444.

**LEON BIBB**  
IN CONCERT WITH  
**TUNED AIR**  
PRESENTS  
**THE ART OF THE SPIRITUAL**  
Friday, March 17 8:00 pm  
Saturday, March 18 2:00 & 8:00 pm  
at **ARTSPRING**  
Tickets \$18\* 537-2102  
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March 11-12  
Fun, hands-on, information packed weekend with rammed earth builder **Meror Krayenhoff**  
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**Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
**Erin**  
Love from Mom

### 20 COMING EVENTS

#### Moonstruck Organic Cheese

**OPEN HOUSE**  
Saturday March 11  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Spring is here. The blossoms are out.  
The calves are born.  
And we're opening our new store!  
1306 Beddis Road

#### OPEN HOUSE

This Saturday & Sunday

164 Wilkie Way

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Immediate occupancy, could be up and running in time for main tourist season. Ever changing sunrises a special bonus for this comfortable home.

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- \* Receive an easy short clearing, very powerful

Workshop fee \$300

Phone 250-386-3245 Book now - Space is limited

#### BOOK EXCHANGE

Sunday March 26  
11 am to 4 pm  
at **Central Hall**

come to exchange, barter, trade, sell or buy your gently used books **FREE!**

tables are free but please call to reserve your space - 537-0049  
light refreshments available

**EVERYBODY WELCOME**  
This event is hosted by the board of directors of your community hall. There will be a short interruption at 2 pm for the Central Hall AGM.  
**PRIZES** will be awarded when the meeting concludes.

### 25 EDUCATION

HEART N' HANDS Montessori now has spaces available in our all day program. For more information contact Denise 537-4944.

BUS COUNCIL OF CANADA recognizes the professionalism of bus drivers through its national certification program. Find out more at www.bus-council.ca or call 1-866-271-1107.

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### 25 EDUCATION

PENNY WISE JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP for women. The winner will receive a total of \$2,500 to study journalism in the eight-month journalism certificate course at Langara College in Vancouver. Visit www.bccommunitynews.com for details. Deadline: May 1, 2006.

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### 20 COMING EVENTS



In Honour of United Nations  
**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

"... there must be no difference in the education of male and female in order that womankind may develop equal capacity and importance with man in the social and economic equation. In past ages, humanity had been defective and inefficient because it has been incomplete. War and its ravages have blighted the world; the education of woman will be a mighty step toward its abolition and ending, for she will use her whole influence against war... In truth she will be the greatest factor in establishing universal peace and international arbitration. Assuredly, woman will abolish warfare among mankind."

BAHA'I WRITINGS

www.bahai.org 537-5071

**GANGES YOGA STUDIO**  
SPRING FLING 2006 \*Yoga Beginners Welcome.

| Day   | Time         | Class                                     | Instructor    | Notes |
|-------|--------------|---|---------------|-------|
| Mon   | 9:00-10:30am | Mixed Levels Yoga                         | Donna         |       |
|       | 2:30-3:15    | Tots' Yoga                                | Donna         |       |
|       | 3:45-4:30    | Kids' Yoga                                | Donna         |       |
|       | 4:45-5:45    | Teen Yoga                                 | Jeannie       |       |
|       | 6:00-7:30    | Hatha Flow Yoga                           | Angie         |       |
| Tues  | 7:00-9:00    | Buddhist Meditation                       | Sheryl        | Be    |
|       | 9:00-11:00am | Yoga Wall 2                               | Celeste       |       |
|       | 11:00-12:30  | Seniors' Chair Yoga                       | Celeste       |       |
|       | 3:00-4:00    | Pilates                                   | Diana         | Be    |
|       | 4:45-6:15    | Level 1 Yoga                              | Jeannie       |       |
| Wed   | 5:30-6:30    | Nia                                       | Leslie        | Be    |
|       | 6:30-8:00    | Mixed Levels Yoga                         | Jeannie       |       |
|       | 7:00-8:00    | Bellydance                                | Oriana        | Be    |
|       | 9:00-10:30am | Yoga Wall 1                               | Celeste       |       |
|       | 4:30-6:30    | Sadhana                                   | Celeste       |       |
| Thurs | 6:00-7:00    | Pilates                                   | Diana         | Be    |
|       | 7:00-9:00    | Kirtan (No charge. 1st Wed of each month) |               |       |
|       | 9:00-10:00am | Pilates                                   | Diana         | Be    |
|       | 9:00-10:30   | Men's Yoga                                | Cordula       |       |
|       | 11:00-12:00  | Prenatal/Mom & Baby Yoga                  | Cordula       |       |
| Fri   | 5:45-7:15    | Intermediate Flow Yoga                    | Brian         |       |
|       | 7:00-8:00    | Bellydance                                | Oriana        | Be    |
|       | 9:00-10:30am | Yoga Wall 1 & 2                           | Celeste       |       |
|       | 11:00-12:30  | Nia                                       | Leslie        | Be    |
|       | 4:30-5:30    | Restorative Yoga                          | Celeste       |       |
| Sat   | 9:00-10:30am | Ashtanga Yoga                             | Cornelia      | Be    |
|       | 10:30-11:30  | Family Yoga (Mar 18)                      | GYS Teachers  | Be    |
| Sun   | 9:30-11:30am | Restorative Restshops (TBA)               | Celeste       |       |
|       | 10:00-11:00  | Intro to Pilates (Mar 5-Apr 23)           | Diana         | Be    |
|       | 11:30-1:00   | Intro to Yoga (no charge)                 | SSCY Trainees | Be    |

www.gangesyogastudio.com 537-2444

### Do you need Healing?

Looking for hope for your future?

Do you feel like you are fulfilling your purpose?

**Spiritual Gathering**  
March 11 @ 7 pm

Community Gospel  
guest speaker:  
**Caleb Friesen**  
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### 26 LEGAL

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

Re: THE ESTATE OF MARY POYNTZ, Deceased, formerly of 128 - 135 Brinkworthy Road, Salt Spring Island, in the Province of British Columbia V8K 1S3.

Creditors and others having claims against the Estate of MARY POYNTZ, are hereby notified under section 38 of the Trustee Act that particulars of their claims should be sent to the Executor at Box 414, Ganges P.O., Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2W1 on or before April 15, 2006, after which date the Executor will distribute the Estate among the parties entitled to it, having regard to the claims of which the Executor then has notice.

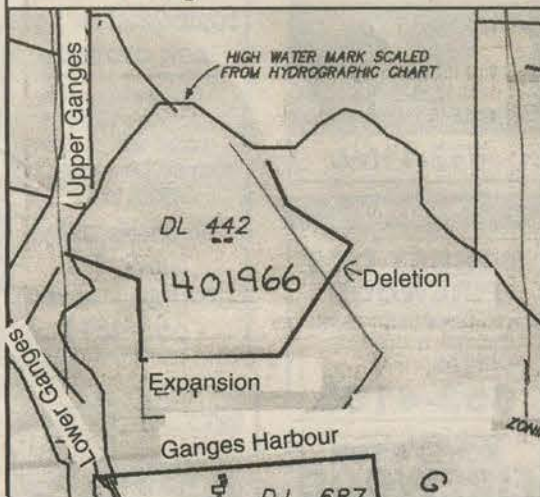
James Pasuta  
Solicitor for the Estate of  
MARY POYNTZ

## Land Act: Notice of Intention to Apply for a Disposition of Crown Land

Take notice that SS Marina Ltd. of Salt Spring Island, BC, intends to make application to Integrated Land Management Bureau (ILMB), Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Coast Region office for an amendment to the area of our commercial marine lease, situated on Provincial Crown land located at Ganges Harbour.

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is 101429. Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Senior Land Officer at 501-345 Wallace St., Nanaimo, BC V9R 5B6. Comments will be received by ILMB until April 8. ILMB may not be able to consider comments received after this date. Please visit our website at [www.lwbc.bc.ca](http://www.lwbc.bc.ca) under Current Land Applications for more information.

Be advised that any response to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. For information, contact the Freedom of Information Advisor at Integrated Land Management Bureau's regional office.



### 29 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: REMAINS of large Husky-type dog in Mount Maxwell area. Please call 537-2989 for more info.

FOUND: S/H black female. Very affectionate & very talkative. Around 10 months old. Found on Mt. Erskine Drive. Call the SPCA at 537-2123.

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

### 29 LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: S/H tabby X tortie female. Already spayed & friendly. 2 years or under. Been a stray for quite some time. Found by Auntie Pesto's in Grace Point Square. Call the SPCA at 537-2123.

### 32 MEETINGS

MEETING: BOARD of directors of Central Community Hall. Tuesday, March 21, 2006, 7pm. Public welcome.

### 32 MEETINGS

## Salt Spring Island Public Library

### Notice of Annual General Meeting Salt Spring Island Public Library Association

The Annual General Meeting of members of the Salt Spring Island Public Library Association will be held on March 25, 2006 at the Lions Hall, 103 Bonnett Avenue, beginning at 3:00 pm.

Business to be conducted:

- Receive reports of the Chair, Chief Librarian & Treasurer
- Appoint the Auditor for fiscal year 2006
- Approval of proposed changes to the Association's bylaws
- Election of directors for a two year term

Copies of the proposed changes to the Association's bylaws will be posted in the Library, 129 McPhillips Avenue, after March 10, 2006.

### SUDOKU PUZZLE ANSWER

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### 34 NOTICES

#### GULF ISLANDS PIONEER VILLAGE

Lions Club. Now accepting applications for affordable rental units, 60 years and over. Call Carol Fowles 537-5515 for applications.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



#### Special Olympics British Columbia Salt Spring Island

Are you looking for a fun & rewarding experience? Several volunteer positions are open. Join the coaching team or get involved with the administration committee.

We provide you with the training. You provided the energy and fresh ideas! Orientation meetings will be held: once in February and again in March.

Contact: Yolande Leger  
w. 537-1115  
h. 537-4285

### ASICS

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### NOTICE

#### SSI Community Education Change in Revenue Canada Status → OFFER OF REFUND ←

During the 2004/2005 terms, the Salt Spring Island Society for Community Education collected GST from program participants. Through a change in Revenue Canada status, the GST is now refundable. As an alternative to a refund, the SSI Community Education Program would like to use these funds to enhance this Community Program and to provide assistance to those in need of financial assistance through our Bursary Program.

Program participants still desiring to claim a refund may either apply in person at the SSI Elementary School on the following 3 consecutive Saturdays: February 25, March 4, or March 11 between the hours of 10am - 2pm in the Community Room or leave a message at the Community Ed Office by calling 537-0037 and requesting said refund. Identification required. The deadline for collecting this claim is March 11, 2006.

### 55 HELP WANTED

KITCHEN MANAGER and cook (or cook's apprentice) required for the Falconshead Grill. Please submit resumé in person at the Salt Spring Island Golf & Country Club or fax to 537-5387. Thank you.

KINGFISHER COVE is calling for competitive bids for complete landscaping care. For details please phone Mr. Marleau 537-5484.

### FULFORD INN

Openings for kitchen, bar and retail store. Drop resumé to Manager.

SALT SPRING Coffee Co. is looking for a part-time Office Assistant. This position will be responsible for assisting and supporting the office staff. Individual must have excellent organizational and communication skills with the ability to work within a team. Proficient in Microsoft Office and other computer skills considered an asset. Please forward resumé to [ainsley@saltspringcoffee.com](mailto:ainsley@saltspringcoffee.com).

SALT SPRING Spa Resort hiring experienced receptionist, housekeepers and Aestheticians. Apply to 1460 North Beach Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 1J4, 537-4111 or [info@saltspingspa.com](mailto:info@saltspingspa.com)

LOOKING FOR help with experience in siding, finishing, framing and concrete. Call 538-8297.

PERMANENT PART-TIME front desk staff needed. Shifts are primarily evenings and weekends. Some computer skills required, customer service experience preferred. Ideal job for mature student. Drop off or send resumé to the Seabreeze Inne. No phone calls. Eligible candidates will be contacted for an interview.

PART-TIME HOUSEKEEPING staff required. Must be available weekdays and weekends. Starting May long weekend to early September. Experience preferred but not required. Drop off or send resumé to the Seabreeze Inne. No phone calls please. Eligible candidates will be contacted for an interview.

GORSE PULLING help needed, \$12 per hr. Please call 653-9988.

PART-TIME RETAIL sales clerk required. Must be well groomed, reliable, friendly with previous retail experience. Apply to Box 15 c/o The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

MATURE, FRIENDLY, detail oriented person required by Hastings House to co-ordinate morning dining room service. Fine dining service experience an asset, punctuality and strong work ethic essential. Please apply in person to reception. Mon. through Fri. 8 am - 5 pm.

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Applicants should have a keen interest and some experience in sports, nature and the arts.

Application deadline: March 20, 2006.

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**SUMMER DAY CAMP LEADERS** Salt Spring Island

Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission is looking for innovative and enthusiastic leaders to create a fantastic experience for participants of its 2006 Camp Colossal summer daycamp program. Camp Colossal is a 42 day, Monday to Friday program, that takes place in July and August with a focus on local outdoor activities and crafts for children in the 5 to 12 age group. The Camp offers a number of off-island day trips to venues such as the Butterfly Gardens, the waterslides or CRD Regional Parks attractions. First Aid Certification, a Class "4" BC Drivers Licence and a clean driving record are mandatory. Lifeguard Certification is an asset. Pay rate: \$14.39 plus 11% in lieu of benefits.

Reply in writing, on or before **March 31, 2006**, including a resume and references, to:

Camp Colossal  
Salt Spring Island Parks and Recreation Commission  
145 Vesuvius Bay Road  
Salt Spring Island BC V8K 1K3  
Email: parc@saltspring.com

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**Islands Trust Fund**

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The Islands Trust Fund owns and/or has conservation covenants on 60 properties throughout the Gulf Islands and Howe Sound.

Please see full proposal requirements at [www.islandstrust.bc.ca/employment/employment.htm](http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/employment/employment.htm)

Proposals must be received by mail or e-mail at the Victoria office by 9:00 a.m. March 20, 2006

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**WANTED TO RENT,** caretaker or houseit. Elyse needs a long term home. 2-3 bdrm with 1 1/2 - 2 baths on private land, acreage preferred. A view is a plus. Central Island is a plus. Quiet, Clean, NS, NP and have excellent Island References. Needed immediately or before March 15. Please call 537-5472.

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# This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

### Tip of the week:

Amidst the many major Astrological alignments currently active, we have the first of three Mercury Retrograde periods now upon us as of March 2 at 12:29 pm PST. Generally, Mercury retrograde creates communications disturbances of one kind or another - computer problems, delays, misunderstandings etcetera. Since Mercury is already challenging when in the sign of Pisces, we can expect an extra challenging period. Separating intellectual reasoning from intuitive feelings is a core challenge. An overactive imagination, fantasies and daydreaming leading to a loss of connection with everyday reality are common challenges with this sign position of Mercury. Escapism of one kind or another is very likely with this placement and drugs, alcohol and other stimulants will have a bigger effect than usual. At best, Mercury retrograde will bring about heightened sensitivity and a cosmic idealism that could breach mundane material considerations. Use it wisely by meditating, staying positive, dancing, getting into nature and activating your imagination in a healthy manner. This week's Horoscope is dedicated to what each sign stands to experience during the Mercury Retrograde period lasting until March 25th.

### Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Turning your thoughts inward to understand your inner nature is the call with Mercury Retrograde in Pisces. You may simply want to connect with your core being, higher Self, Subconscious mind or perhaps even your Sat Guru (inner teacher). A self-absorbing and introspective process could turn your mind into an endless treadmill where thoughts keep repeating. Avoid this trap by working with a mantra or visualization tool like a Mandala. Don't try too hard to be understood. Rather, use this time to gain self-awareness, reflect on perception and/or to express your creative imagination for its own sake.

### Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

You will experience a lot of mental freedom with Mercury Retrograde. However, don't count on much practical application of your thoughts perhaps until later in April. At best, your free roaming mind will be an inspiration to yourself and others. At worst, you will get lost in daydreams. You may find yourself on a quest for meaning yet not find any and end up the endless seeker. You will paradoxically want to be with people, yet avoid crowds and be alone as well. Taking a detached approach might work well. Aim to understand consciousness itself and move beyond concepts and beliefs.

### Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)

Reflecting upon past achievements may bring about some practical results during this impractical time. Using your imagination to brainstorm, reflect and remember all that you have done and achieved can be constructive in categorizing your skills and talents for present and future applications. Avoid expectations either from your own self or from others. Simply gain an inventory with awareness that the past does not equal the future. History may repeat itself, but never quite the same and the cycles can be long. Affirm yourself and cultivate self-esteem and confidence.

### Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22)

Mercury Retrograde in Pisces stands to be quite challenging for you. Expect your perceptions to be out of focus. Whether you are looking to the big picture or focusing on details, there will be a blur in your perspective. At best, you can make good of this by playing with the sublime and the surreal - allowing for a fuzzy perspective. Also, you can wax philosophically and prove to be an entertainment for others, but don't take your reflections too seriously, especially during this time. Celebrate freedom of thought and expression!

### Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 23)

Deep thoughts and reflections probing to life's deeper mysteries and/or your own depths of growth and transformation in your life up to now will be extra operative over the next few weeks. You will be more comfortable with getting intimate with yourself than with others. Stay positive and avoid destructive thinking, which may be a tendency now. Stay in touch with your inner voice and with the reality of others without getting too involved. Intend to transform your visions into constructive actions. Take notes, keep a log, brainstorm or write in a diary etcetera!

### Virgo (Aug 24 - Sep 22)

Balancing your own thoughts and perceptions with those of others is a likely challenge with Mercury Retrograde. Recognize that you cannot please all the people and that everyone is responsible for their own actions, thoughts and emotions. You can be compassionate yet allow others to learn their own lessons and come to their own conclusions even more than you might already. Trying to explain your perceptions for the sake of others will probably backfire. Do make efforts to quietly understand people and situations by looking at all sides.

### Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)

Mercury Retrograde may prove to be an advantage for you. Your mind will be extra flexible and analytical. However, working with others and getting along could prove challenging as you encounter their confusions and misunderstandings of your brilliant ideas and strategies. If others react to you, you may become nervous and lose your balance. Stay centered by not over explaining or expecting others to understand your intentions. Rather focus on your outcome and outline the steps you will take to achieve your goals. Avoid trying to organize people as much as you can and organize things or events.

### Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)

Your curiosity will be extra active over the next several weeks. You may consequently get your mind in a twist over too many inspiring possibilities. Use this time to explore and brainstorm yet avoid getting involved yet; this advice will prove especially important in terms of getting involved in new relationships, particularly intimate, sexual connections. Read a romantic novel or watch inspiring films along these lines instead. You may have more fun, however, with younger people and minds. If you can be both the actor and the spectator of your own life you will hit the bell.

### Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

Reflections and memories about what constitutes security will occupy at least some of your thoughts this month. Childhood memories could prove to be a rich journey into nostalgia and sentimentality, which do serve their purposes. Accessing memories where you were sure of yourself and confident in your expressions will be the most useful in terms of current needs and realities. By accessing positive memories we can anchor in them to boost self-esteem and activate inspiration. Activate your inner child, yet avoid becoming one again.

### Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

Mercury Retrograde stands to activate your mind in wonderful ways. You may be the most fortunate of all with this cycle. However, do not try too hard to be understood by others. Rather, harness all your insights, ideas and inspirations by recording them somehow. Conflicts with siblings and/or neighbours could arise as well, so try and postpone important communications in this regard until the end of the month anyway. Let your mind freely associate and capture rather than express new associations of creative thoughts and insights.

### Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

Building upon existing foundations somehow is the call with mercury Retrograde. However, as is the case for most signs, you do better to conceive, conceptualize and plan rather than act and execute. You may feel inspired to invest yet your judgment may not be as clear as you would like and it would be unfortunate to discover how much this is true down the road when you get the negative results of hasty actions. At best, you will become extra aware of habit patterns and break them once and for all.

### Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Putting your mind focus and attention upon self-progress is the call with Mercury Retrograde in your sign. In addition to generating new ideas and approaches, exercising patience is probably the most important thing to do. Encounters with immature attitudes, perceptions and behaviours both within your self and others is reason to reflect and take note. Avoid denial and defence and simply observe, acknowledge and set intentions to overcome such characteristics. Deciphering who you really are and what you want at this stage of your journey is probably your best intention.

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WANTED TO RENT, caretake or house-sit. Elyse needs a long term home. 2-3 bdrm with 1 1/2 - 2 baths on private land, acreage preferred. A view is a plus. Central Island is a plus. Quiet, Clean, NS, NP and have excellent Island References. Needed immediately or before March 15. Please call 537-5472.  
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## 45 years ago

Lieutenant-Governor George Pearkes visited Salt Spring Island to attend the 30th birthday of the Salt Spring division of the Canadian Legion.

## 40 years ago

Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce members expressed concern over transportation and parks at their annual general meeting.

## 35 years ago

The Salt Spring Island Planning Association took a closer look at pollution and published a guide about pollution and how it can be avoided.

## DOWN THE YEARS

### 30 years ago

The Canadian National Institute for the Blind raised over \$1,550.25 in a local fundraising drive with the Salt Spring Island Lions Club.

### 25 years ago

Two Salt Spring men were arrested for breaking and entering two island businesses, Windsor Plywood and Western Drug Mart.

### 20 years ago

A record snowfall hit Salt

Spring, dumping a foot of snow on the island and causing regional power outages.

### 15 years ago

Saanich-GulfIslands MLA Mel Couvelier resigned from his post as provincial finance minister on March 6, 1991.

### 10 years ago

A Salt Spring man went on a hunger strike, demanding that the air around the newly created Gulf Islands Secondary School be tested for chemicals.

### 5 years ago

Texada Land Corporation halted logging on March 8, 2001, in accordance with a contract with The Land Conservancy of B.C.



**TRASHED:** Oscar the Grouch (a famous Sesame Street character) is in his element as he hangs out in a garbage can near Winsome White, who works at Laurie's Recycling and Waste Service.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

# It was a dark and stormy night

*It took me 15 years to discover I had no talent for writing, but I couldn't give it up because by that time I was too famous.*

— Robert Benchley

Some career advice to those among you who are Writing Impaired but nonetheless aspire to a career in literature:

Go for it.

The fact that you can't cobble a decent sentence together should never stand in the way of your becoming a rich and famous writer. Harold Robbins couldn't write worth a lick, but that didn't stop him from turning out a string of best-sellers.

Grace Metalious was a horrible writer, but back in the '50s she pecked out a pot boiler that became the most popular paperback in North America in its day and eventually a TV series.

It was called Peyton Place.

You want some contemporary bad writing? Check this out:

"Vernet turned to throw full shoulder into the door, but this time the door exploded outward, striking Vernet in the face and sending him reeling backward on the ground, his nose shattering in pain."

His nose . . . shattering? In pain?

Who the hell wrote that — an ESL student?

Nope. Dan Brown in The Da Vinci Code. The best-selling book of 2005 and soon to be a movie possibly lousier than the book.

Ah, well. Bad writing is like a low-grade flu bug — it's always going around. Herewith, some wretched writing culled from essays penned by (sob) University undergraduates:

John and Mary had never met. They were like two

humming-birds who had also never met.

He was as lame as a duck. Not the metaphorical duck either, but a real duck that was actually lame. Maybe from stepping on a land mine or something.

The ballerina rose gracefully en pointe and extended one slender leg behind her, like a dog at a lamppost.

The dandelion swayed in the gentle breeze, like an oscillating electric fan set on medium.

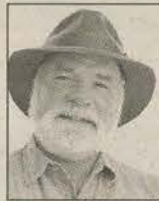
Her hair glistened in the rain like nose hair after a sneeze.

He was deeply in love. When she spoke, he thought he heard bells, as if she was a garbage truck reversing.

And my favourite: Her vocabulary was as bad as, like, whatever.

Nice to know the old literary standards are being maintained. I'm sure Edward Bulwer-Lytton would approve.

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Bulwer-Lytton?

Only the dean of bad writing. He was a contemporary of Charles Dickens, living from 1803 until 1873, and he gave us the very epitaph that epitomizes lousy lit. Edward Bulwer-Lytton is the man who penned the phrase "It was a dark and stormy night."

In his (dis)honour there is an annual Edward Bulwer-Lytton Bad Writing Contest in which scribes vie to create the single most inane, vapid, pompous and altogether ludicrous sentence of the year.

And now, confession time: I never understood why the IWADASN phrase was considered so execrable. I've read worse.

Hell, I've written worse. It just didn't sound all that bad to me.

At least it didn't until I

looked up the rest of the sentence Bulwer-Lytton wrote. The entire sentence reads:

"It was a dark and stormy night, the rain fell in torrents — except at occasional intervals when it was checked by a violent gust of wind which swept it up the streets (for it is in London that our scene lies) rattling along the housetops and fiercely agitating the scanty flames that struggled against the darkness."

Yup, that's bad enough to qualify Bulwer-Lytton as the patron saint of puffery.

Except. I said that Bulwer-Lytton was a contemporary of Dickens.

He was also, in his lifetime, second only to Dickens as a popular writer. And he wasn't always bad.

Bulwer-Lytton gave us the phrase "the great unwashed." He's also the author who wrote: "the pen is mightier than the sword."

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