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## Four stage polite debate

Candidates got along so agreeably, they resembled a Saanich-Gulf Islands federal team.

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Well-spoken politicians didn't deliver knockout punches during the all-candidates debate Sunday, but instead impressed islanders with their earnest good intentions and civility.

Despite his best efforts, debate moderator David Wood couldn't convince candidates to interrupt each other during timed "free-for-all sessions" and he was moved to applaud their collective behaviour in his closing comments.

"This debate shows me that the reason people want to run for office is not that they want their share of the 'sponsorship scandal' but that they want to do good," he said at the ArtSpring event co-sponsored by the Driftwood and Chamber of Commerce.

An over-simplified summary of their remarks would be: incumbent Conservative Party MP Gary Lunn drew attention to his track record as a community representative since 1997, NDP candidate Jennifer Burgis focussed on discussing improvements for social services, Liberal hopeful Sheila Orr presented herself as a straight-talking mother with a family focus and Green Party aspirant Andrew Lewis played the environmental card as the lone islander among the pack.

Lunn drew attention to "lost opportunities" in the last term and challenged, "There's so much more that we can do."

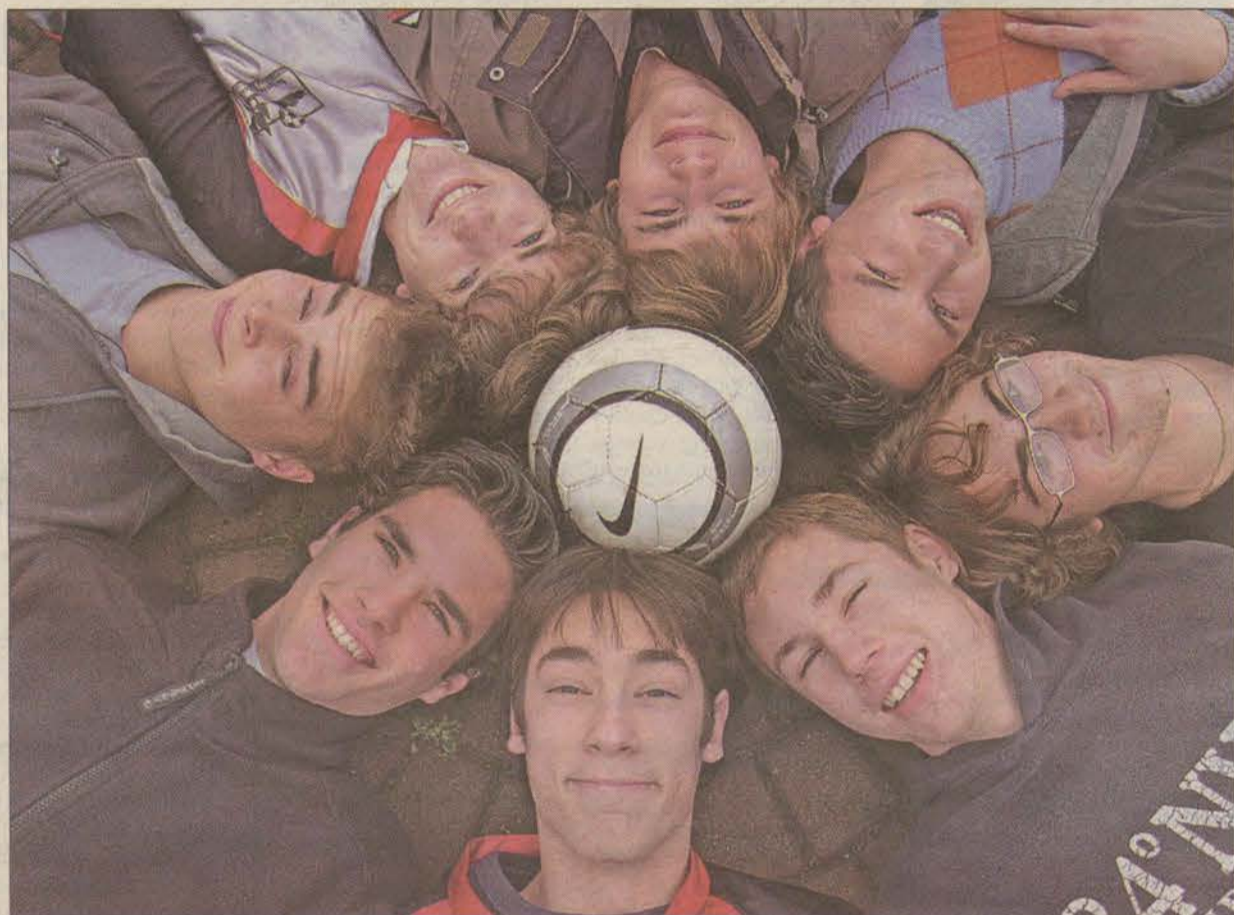
Burgis touted NDP support of the recent federal budget and noted that "the New Democrats know how to deliver in a minority government."

Lewis promoted the new Green Party platform (released on January 2), called for electoral reform and encouraged islanders to "vote with a conscience."

Orr shared her passion for politics, listed Liberal successes and asked voters to reaffirm their belief in her party.

"I will always be a Liberal, warts and all."

CANDIDATES 2



**SOCCER ON THEIR MINDS:** 'Viewtiful' U18 silver team members get set for the return of soccer action this weekend. Clockwise from centre front are Cody Bergerud, Constantin Dressler, Nik Munder, Michael Bormann, Fabian Decius, Philip Knittler, Alex Blanes and Walter Johnstone. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Spray spat shaking south end

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Staff Writer

Pressure is mounting after 75 people met at Fulford Hall Saturday to discuss the province's controversial plans to combat a south-end gypsy moth infestation.

"We are all pretty worried," said Tom Pickett, a south-end organic farmer and activist. "Whenever you get that many south-enders out to a meeting it says a lot."

The Ministry of Forest and Range is currently applying for a permit to spray a mixture containing Foray 48b and Btk to eradicate an isolated infestation of gypsy moths in a 390-hectare (865-acre) area centred at

Lee and Fulford-Ganges roads.

Up to four aerial applications are proposed to occur between April 15 and June 20. Copies of the application and maps may be viewed at the Salt Spring Islands Trust office.

Pickett said he remains hopeful the Islands Trust will take this opportunity to demonstrate its commitment to protecting the area's unique heritage.

"Given the preserve and protect mandate and the need to protect rural values and agriculture, we are hoping for the support," he said. "Perhaps the new guys [George Ehring and Peter Lamb] will get tough and make the province respect this place."

Opponents point to a recent study published in New Zealand claiming more information is needed to understand the full impact of Foray 48b and Btk on target areas and populations.

The chemical's manufacturer, Valent Biosciences, states no amount of research can provide absolute proof for any product.

"We can never prove that a product is absolutely safe. We can only demonstrate that when Btk is applied following the label instructions that the risk to non-target organisms is acceptably low," the website reads.

GYPSY MOTH 5

## High-voltage talk at BCUC hearing

By GAIL SJUBERG  
Staff Writer

Islanders may fear bombardment by electro-magnetic radiation if higher-voltage power lines are built across Salt Spring, but on Saturday it was the B.C. Utilities Commission's turn to be zapped.

Speaker after speaker in the formal "town hall" session hosted by the commission (BCUC) told the three-member commission they did not want some 20-times more kilovolts passing through their island or community, especially when they feel a better alternative exists.

"I think that this is a time for some serious introspection by all those who have the power to alter this decision," said Enid Turner, president of Island Residents Against High Voltage Overhead Lines (IRAHVOL). "Is it

right that you should disregard the possibility of serious health impacts to our residents, particularly to children? What is the cost to us and the cost to your conscience?"

Several people appealed to commission panel members Robert Hobbs, Liisa O'Hara and Nadine Nicholls to "do the right thing" and "lead with their vision" by approving the underground HVDC Light proposal submitted by the Sea Breeze Victoria Converter Corporation over the B.C. Transmission Corporation (BCTC) proposed overhead upgrade.

BCTC — a provincial Crown corporation — has applied to the BCUC for permission to replace the existing 138-kV line with two 138-kV AC circuits and two high-voltage direct currents.

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## BCUC

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A more expensive option would have Sea Breeze construct an HVDC-Light underground cable across Georgia Strait to help supply Vancouver Island's power needs.

"We need an approach that is positive and innovative," stressed John Wakefield, who lives near the power lines on the B.C. Hydro right-of-way. He spoke against the BCTC proposal and for the Sea Breeze alternative.

Salt Spring Books owner Andrew Haigh was also among morning session speakers questioning the need to "burden Salt Spring with mid-20th-century technology," citing countries such as Japan, Germany and India, which are using solar and wind power to provide a greater percentage of their power needs.

Former islands trustee Kimberly Lineger urged BCUC panel members to uphold the object of the Islands Trust and four official community plan clauses that discourage high-voltage overhead lines, and to wait

for an environmental assessment process to take place.

"I think we have to have the environmental assessment process before you can make a final decision."

A provincial environmental assessment will be required before any proposal is approved.

Psychologist Angela Gedye suggested the BCTC proposal may seem cheaper at this point, but would cost more if long-term health impacts were considered.

"The safety and health concerns of children and adults should outweigh the modest anticipated financial savings," she said.

Norton Road resident and businessman Ted Bishop said he and his wife had researched the risks of living near the power line with its current voltage level before buying their property several years ago and felt they were acceptable at that point. But with a 20-fold increase from the BCTC proposal in the next stage, that would no longer be the case,

he said, referring to the Gerald Draper study released in Britain last year. Draper concluded that children under 15 who live within 100 metres of high-voltage power lines have almost twice the risk of developing leukaemia, with that level considered higher for children aged five and under.

Since he has young children in his family, he said, "If this project goes through, we could not in good conscience continue to live in that house."

Norton Road resident Kim Hoban outlined the mysterious blood disorder and form of cancer she is currently living with.

"At 20 times the current current, how many more cancers will be enabled [by a higher voltage level]?" she asked. "We're not just a few cows out in the hinterland."

Some people suggested the gathering of public views through the town hall meeting was simply window dressing without substance.

"It's possible this is a pretend hearing and our views go straight to the round file," said IRAHVOL member Chris Anderson.

He said past BCUC decisions showed it favoured overhead power lines. "It appears this organization has never met an overhead AC line it doesn't love."

The formal BCUC hearing commences in Vancouver on January 16, and also runs January 23 and February 6.

## CANDIDATES

From Page 1

All four candidates came across as honest and forthright, but surprisingly seemed to share more agreement than dissonance.

Responding to questions from the floor, none of the candidates favoured sending Canadian troops to Iraq, all agreed that amateur sports require government support (Lunn noted the Conservative election promise of a \$500 tax credit per child per year for families who enroll children in amateur sports) and everyone pushed to overhaul treaty negotiations with First Nations.

All four candidates spoke out against patronage, global warming and poor voter turn-out; they ranted about child poverty, scoffed unchecked acquisitions by offshore corporations and panned insufficient Canadian assistance for the AIDS epidemic in Africa.

Similarly, the candidates all offered continued support for

organic farming, ocean sciences research, alternative-energy initiatives, the CBC (Burgis promoted increased CBC funding), increased funding for arts and culture, and an environmental assessment of power projects currently under review before the B.C. Utilities Commission.

But candidates distinguished themselves on small points.

While Lunn and Orr were unprepared to answer a question about monetary reform for private banks, Burgis suggested a return to the local credit-union system and Lewis called for revamping the monetary system to move national debt from private shareholders to the Bank of Canada.

And it was only on issues such as same-sex marriage, legalization of marijuana, offshore oil exploration and mandatory minimum sentences for various crimes that much distinction between platforms was apparent.

Regarding same-sex marriage, Lunn stood apart from his opponents and endorsed the Conservative Party's position of preserving a "traditional definition" while sanctioning civil unions for same-sex couples. Lunn also expressed opposition to the legalization of marijuana and approved oil-exploration research.

As another candidate who followed an individual path, Lewis opposed mandatory minimum sentences for certain crimes and suggested that local initiatives might be more effective in reducing the causes of crime rather than building and filling more prisons.

All three non-Conservative candidates battled over the issue of strategic voting.

Orr noted that Lunn received only 35 per cent of the vote in the last election and argued that dividing the NDP, Liberal and Green Party votes could lead to a minority Conservative government.

She also compared NDP leader Jack Layton to Ralph Nader in the 2000 U.S. election when George W. Bush was elected on the thinnest of margins.

"I urge you not to split your vote," said Orr.

Opposing strategic voting, Burgis pushed for islanders to "vote with your heart to create the Canada you want," but added, "All of you know what it would take to remove an MP who's been in office for too long."

Lewis (who received 16.7 per cent of the Saanich-Gulf Islands vote last election) argued in favour of voting with a conscience to send a message to Ottawa and he slammed the Conservatives and NDP for not supporting electoral reform during the last term.

"Voting strategically is a wasted vote," Lewis said. "It's not just about short-term gain, it's about long-term value."

As the incumbent, Lunn acknowledged that he won't receive votes from every member of his riding, but affirmed he intends to represent everyone's interests if he is re-elected.

The federal election date is Monday, January 23. Advance polls are set for January 13, 14 and 16 at ArtSpring. Advance voters need to provide identification showing their address and signature.

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**OTHER NEWS** At the most recent SIPS meeting Bill Curtin of PARC pointed out that in 2006 a five year recreation plan will be developed for community approval. Since this process examines a facility for ice sports, it makes sense for SIPS to participate as an amicable working partner, on PARC's schedule... So no surveys until PARC needs one... SIPS welcomes the chance to demonstrate to the community that non-profit societies like SIPS, with no annual deficits possible, are the most stable, democratic and responsible entities for delivering such services... Figure skating and speed skating volunteers are ready to work out a plan with the school board toward implementing skating as physical education at all levels. Contact [icepark@telus.net](mailto:icepark@telus.net) for more information... It is felt that the participation of the schools will be paramount for the long term success of the rink, as weekday use of the facilities must focus on youth... SIPS welcomes suggestions for naming the Norske Arena :), for branding the "pop" machines, and for pleading that our good citizens remember their ice time adventures in their wills.... [dwright@telus.net](mailto:dwright@telus.net)

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# GI property assessments keep climbing

Assessed values are still climbing for more than 13,000 property owners on the Gulf Islands, but data from B.C. Assessment shows a decline from increases last year.

Overall, the Gulf Islands assessment roll grew by 18.7 per cent (from \$4.54 billion in July 1, 2004 to \$5.39 to July 1, 2005), including the value of new construction, subdivisions and rezonings.

But that increase is substantially less than the 24.7 per cent growth islanders saw the previous year and closer to the 16.5 per cent increase residents witnessed between 2002 and 2003.

**"Changes in property assessments are reflective of movement in the local real estate market and can vary greatly..." — B.C. Assessment**

B.C. Assessment says that non-waterfront north-end property on Salt Spring had a "typical" valuation of \$394,800 for the 2006 assessment (compared to \$335,400 in 2005) to show a 17.7 per cent increase.

North Salt Spring waterfront properties typically saw 18.6 per cent growth (\$854,700 for 2006 and \$720,500 for 2005).

Waterfront property on Saturna Island experienced the biggest increases (39.8 per cent) after a typical valuation for 2006 was \$413,600 compared to \$295,800 for 2005. Waterfront property on Mayne had the most modest growth of 12.9 per cent (\$399,600 to \$451,300).

Samples of other increases are a 24 per cent jump for Galiano Island non-waterfront property (from \$226,300 to \$280,800); 16 per cent for Pender non-waterfront at Magic Lake (\$199,600 to \$231,700); and 17 per cent for non-waterfront property on Mayne (\$183,100 to \$214,400).

Comparatively, islanders fared well against neighbours in Victoria, where property values rose over 20 per cent but the provincial average was a 14 per cent increase.

"Changes in property assessments are reflective of movement in the local real estate market and can vary greatly from property to property," states a B.C. Assessment press release.

Looking at long-term trends, the property assessment roll has increased by 116 per cent over the last eight years from its \$2.49-billion level in 1998.

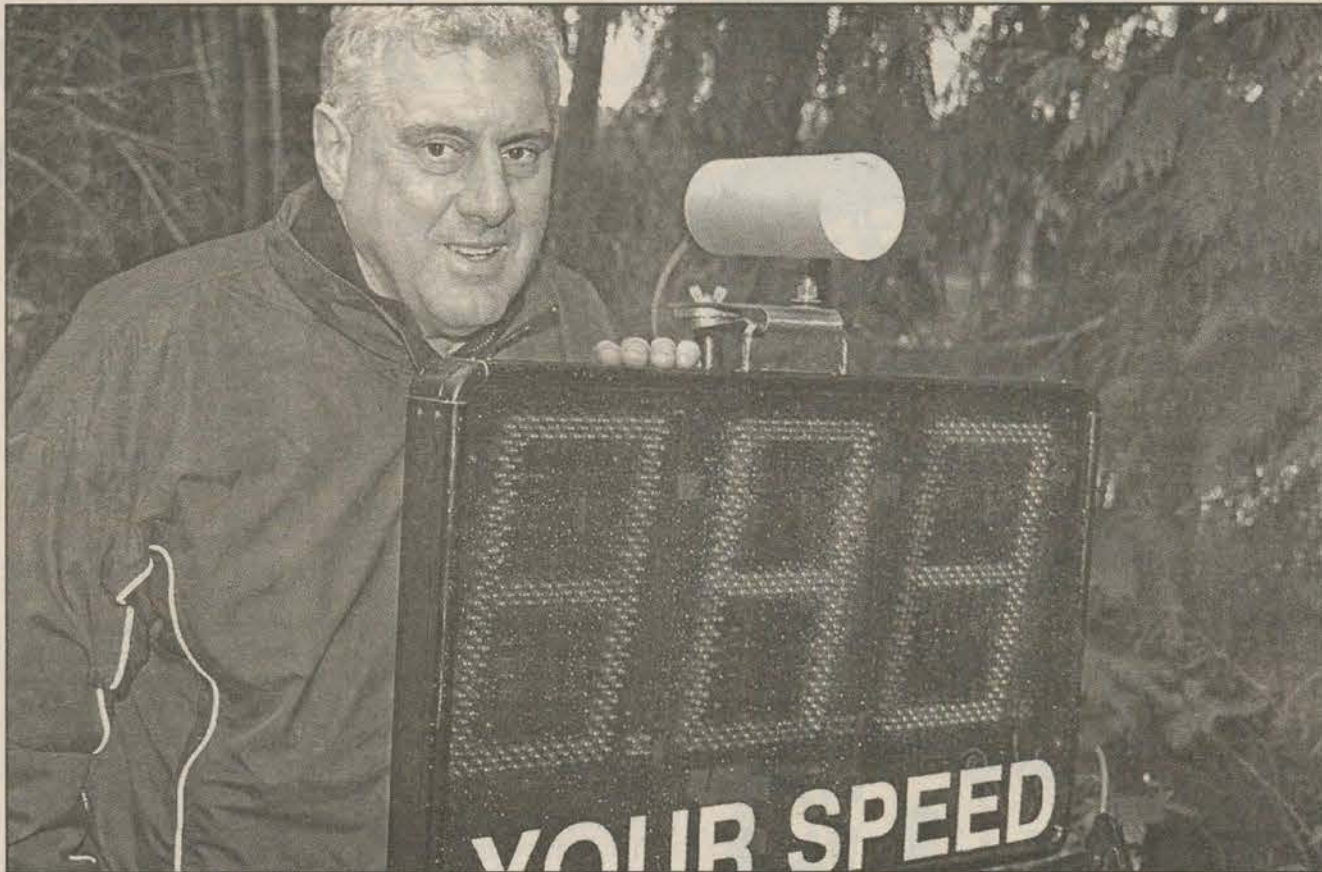
Deadline to appeal an assessment is January 31, either in writing or by using a new on-line appeal form.

"Property owners who feel that their property assessment does not reflect market value as of July 1, 2005, or see incorrect information on their notice, should contact the B.C. Assessment office indicated on their notice as soon as possible in January," said area assessor Brian Hawkins.

Property assessment figures and sales by address are available online ([www.bcassessment.ca](http://www.bcassessment.ca)) and at the Government Agent's Office in Ganges.

Taxing authorities such as the Islands Trust, Capital Regional District, provincial government (rural tax) and the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District collect a certain amount of money per \$100,000 of assessed property value, so a higher assessment figure usually translates into higher property taxes when bills are issued in the spring. However, they also have the power to lower mill rates to compensate at least in part for higher assessed property values.

Islanders concerned about tax rates should contact their elected officials directly.



**FYI ONLY:** Community Policing Advisory Committee member Alan Coombes volunteers his time with a radar gun Monday to let Ganges drivers know how fast they are travelling. Road safety concerns have been highlighted in recent weeks.

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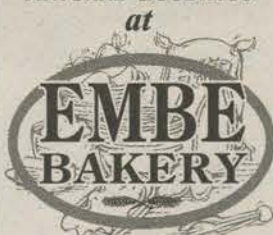
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# Crofton mill smokes out public input as emissions permit renewed

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Staff Writer

Members of the Crofton Airshed Citizens Groups (CACG) were shocked to learn the provincial government has no intention of extending public consultation before renewing Catalyst Paper's Crofton mill emissions permit.

According to the CACG's Patti Bauer, the current application is an ideal opportunity to seek public input on dated emissions standards.

The last time the mill's permit underwent a similar review was in the early '90s.

"Everyone recognizes that the air emissions permit for the mill is completely out of date and insufficient," said Bauer. "The rewrite is an opportunity to bring the regulatory body that the public counts on to protect their health and environment into the picture in an effective way."

"Instead we see a regulatory authority that betrays that trust while paying lip service to dialogue."

The province has set January 24 as the deadline for input from Crofton Advisory Forum (CAF) members but will not be holding public meetings or providing public notice of the permit rewrite process, according to a CACG news release.

Bernard Binter, senior industrial pollution officer for the province's Ministry of the Environment, said the

review process would not require any public meetings or notice since the change to Catalyst's Crofton permit does not constitute any "major amendment."

Binter said circulating the proposed new air permit to members of the CAF last month was, in itself, a significant step.

"We don't usually do that," he told participants at the CAF meeting.

According to Bauer and the CACG, the process usually involves a trade-off of drafts between the company and its regulator until an agreement is reached.

Catalyst's Crofton Division vice-president Don McKendrick said circulating the proposal at the CAF meeting in late 2005 was one stage of making the application process known to the public and he welcomed further input at future meetings.

"The basic fact of life is that the pulp and paper industry is one of the most scrutinized sectors and we abide by all regulations," he said.

Over the past decade, the Crofton mill has undergone \$50 million in environmental improvements, McKendrick added.

"The numerous improvements in the mill's air emissions controls and peripheral infrastructure over the past decade constitute a compelling reason to update the air

permit," reads the current application proposal.

Improvements include reducing particulate and greenhouse gas emissions while increasing the number of ambient air quality monitoring stations around the Crofton facility.

Despite the improvements, Bauer remains unconvinced the public's interest is being looked after since many toxic substances emitted from the mill are not even considered in the application.

"How this can be termed an improvement is completely incomprehensible," she

said. "The permit proposal increases emissions volume by over 10 per cent."

The current application removes some of the existing limits and, she said, regulates only the same two substances as the old permit without considering the dozens of noxious emissions coming out of the mill.

"The permit is the only constraint on air emissions and is effectively a blank check for the mill. Some of the most dangerous toxins known to man are emitted from the mill and they are not mentioned in this permit," she said.

## Chiropractor charged with sexual assault

A Victoria-based chiropractor who once practised on Salt Spring has been charged with sexual assault.

Dr. Michael Buna was charged with sexual assault after he was accused of inappropriate touching with a patient stemming from an incident on or about July 8, 1999.

Victoria Police held a press conference on January 3 where they asked possible victims to step forward.

In a Driftwood interview on Tuesday, acting inspector Les Sylven indicated that Victoria Police were aware Dr. Buna had practised on Salt Spring before he worked in offices at Brentwood Bay, Chatterton Way, Mayfair Mall (where the alleged incident occurred) and his current office in the Cloverdale Centre for Health on Cloverdale Avenue.

"It's a story that will take some time to work out," said Sylven. Several people have called in support of the chiropractor and community volunteer, he noted.

"I just encourage all those people to follow the story." Police have set up a telephone tip line at (250) 995-7444.

The B.C. College of Chiropractors determined that Dr. Buna can continue practising under conditions that include requirement of a chaperone throughout all appointments with female patients.

As legal counsel for the B.C. College of Chiropractors, Don Lebens issued a statement that "continuation of a professional's practice pending resolution of any criminal charges and a complaint of professional misconduct is dependent upon the nature of the allegations and the ability to impose conditions which adequately protect the public."

"Dr. Buna denies the allegations against him," Lebens noted.

## ArtSpring road closures

Motorists are advised to make alternate arrangements if they plan on driving in the vicinity of ArtSpring on Thursday, January 12.

Seaview will be closed between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and Jackson Avenue will be blocked between 1 and 4 p.m.

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## GYPSY MOTH

From Page 1

Health Canada scientists also agree Btk-based products pose little threat to human health.

According to Salt Spring Island toxicologist and water quality expert, John Sprague, the proposal puts residents in somewhat of a double bind.

If the spray is not used, gypsy moths could devour the forest cover, potentially destroying the island's deciduous trees, including sensitive Garry oak meadows and fruit trees.

On the other hand, once Btk is applied, all butterflies or caterpillar eating the leaves will be killed.

Sprague said Btk does not pose a threat to aquatic life in the spray-zone's creeks and lakes.

When Btk first came on the market in the 1970s, Sprague worked in the forests of New Brunswick where gypsy moths and spruce bud worms were threatening the region's forests.

At the time, he said, DDT was still being used and the search for a magic bullet was taken up in earnest.

As it stands, Sprague said, Btk is the closest substance resembling that bullet.

"There appears to be a lot of loose talk and misinformation going around," he said. "I'd like to see some of this protest energy expended on protecting the Garry oaks."

Sprague said the primary concern over the spray ought to rest on the chemical's potential impact on the classification of organic crops

**"I'd like to see some of this protest energy expended on protecting the Garry oaks." — John Sprague**

grown in the area.

"If this is the case, alternatives would have to be assessed," he said.

Island Natural Growers' Anne Macey said the potential impact on the spray zone's two certified organic farmers could be disastrous.

"Basically, when the area is sprayed, it would take the land out of certification for three years," she said.

"Organic farmers spend their time trying to control biodiversity, so if you disrupt the balance, everything will be disrupted," she said. "It's not as easy as losing the certification since there are many more uncertified organic farmers in the area."

Macey suggested the government look into alternative measures to control what, she said, is a modest population of gypsy moths which pose little chance of spreading across the island.

In 1993, public pressure from islanders opposed to spraying a similar pesticide forced the government to back down and consider a new approach.

Techniques could include individually removing gypsy moth eggs and hosts or banding trees.

"Most of these treatments do not have the same level of

success as the application of Btk and therefore are unsuitable for use in an eradication program," reads the provincial government website.

The site did state alternative measures could be used when treating very small and isolated populations.

Another organizational meeting will be held at Fulford Hall on Saturday, January 14 at 9:30 a.m.

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# Norwalk prevention as simple as washing your hands: VIHA

A Norovirus (Norwalk) outbreak at the Cowichan District Hospital prompted officials from the Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA) to last week recommend residents exercise caution when visiting Lady Minto Hospital.

Operations have resumed to normal, but VIHA spokesperson Suzanne Germain said residents in the southern Vancouver Island region should take measures to prevent infection until the high-risk season ends in the spring.

"The first second and third most important steps to take are: wash your hands, wash your hands and wash your hands," she said.

"Most of this is common-sense, but people can easily forget."

Germain reminded people to always use soap and hot water and make sure to wash their hands for at least 30 seconds.

**"Most of this is common-sense, but people can easily forget."  
— Suzanne Germain, VIHA**

People are asked to avoid visiting the hospital if they believe they have the virus. Instead, Germain recommends people treat their illness by staying home, getting lots of rest and staying hydrated.

"If you feel sick, ask a friend or family member to get you some medicine instead of going out and

infecting others," she added.

Norwalk symptoms may include the onset of nausea, cramping, chills and fever, usually accompanied by vomiting and or diarrhea.

If the illness persists, Germain advises people to contact the BC Health Guide Nurse Line at 1-866-215-4700.

"The impacts can be quite

challenging if you are dealing with people in extended care," she said.

"We are dealing with frail individuals to begin with and they are already much more likely to be more seriously impacted than you or I."

Serious outbreaks, she said, often mean staff shortages, service reductions, longer wait times and severe restrictions on visiting hours.

"There is a whole domino effect that ensues once the virus is present," she said. "One case often leads to a system-wide impact."

## GISS students 'realize' awareness

Global Awareness students at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) have stretched a hand to help students in an African school for orphans of parents who died from AIDS.

Now they are asking islanders to purchase orange "I realize" bracelets and key chains to help them collect funds for their counterparts at Pitsung High School in Lesotho.

Members of the Global Awareness group have already raised over \$500 this year and are continuing their efforts with encouraging results.

Now that the Global Awareness

group is in its second year of operation, founder Morgan Smith has graduated and handed the torch to Michelle McBride and Cassandra Storey, who dubbed themselves "ring leaders" of a gang of 30 socially conscious students in grades 9-12.

"We got the message across really well last year that, 'If I want to help someone else, this is the easiest thing I could possibly do.' It's just a really convenient way to help," said McBride.

Over Christmas, Global Awareness held a toy drive

and Gary McNutt of SOLID will take the toys when he goes to Africa next.

Just before the Christmas break, the group also hosted a Teacher Fear Factor competition and students donated \$300 when a jar was passed around the room.

"People weren't even forced to pay," McBride said.

Another campaign to raise awareness saw GISS students create collage tiles on World AIDS Day.

Current initiatives include an ongoing "mocha morning" campaign every Monday where students can buy coffee donated by Salt Spring Coffee Company or muffins baked by students.

The program generates about \$20 each week, said McBride.

Global Awareness will also host a "penny war" where classes compete to raise money in a game with curious rules — teams can actually sabotage their opponents by donating larger coins or bills into their collection jars.

But their main project is the bracelet and key chain campaign, she said.

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# Long-sighted approach applied to Peninsula cataract surgeries

Patients needing cataract surgery at Saanich Peninsula Hospital will have to look elsewhere when part of the hospital's ophthalmology department merges with Victoria's Royal Jubilee later this month.

For Salt Spring and southern Gulf Islands patients, the change means an extra 30-minute drive into Victoria or making alternative arrangements at other Vancouver Island hospitals.

Dr. Andrea Varju, a Salt Spring Island optometrist, said while the changes will undoubtedly affect some Gulf Islands patients, the impact will be minimal since most referrals are spread out among various facilities.

"There are a number of hospitals on Vancouver Island that provide cataract surgery," she said.

The cataract procedure typically lasts between 15 and 30

minutes and patients require a driver to get them to and from the operation.

Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA) president and CEO Harold Waldner said the reductions are needed to accommodate increased orthopaedic services at the Saanich facility.

Waldner said patients affected by any changes would be accommodated.

"VIHA has committed to coordinate with various volunteer services to facilitate the transportation of cataract patients if travel is a concern or hardship," he said.

The ability to treat more bone, joint and muscle injuries will ensure the hospital can better serve residents living on the Saanich Peninsula and southern Gulf Islands, Waldner said.

Up to six orthopaedic surgeons and sub-specialists will provide services on a

rotating basis.

"This will provide continuity of service and will also offer, for the first time at that site, local access to a range of expertise with an additional three full-day operating sessions each month," Waldner said.

## Lost Galiano hiker safe

Salt Spring's Ground Search and Rescue (GSAR) group finished 2005 on an optimistic note by rescuing a 62-year-old Galiano hiker.

Galiano RCMP and GSAR members were alerted on December 29 after the woman's husband reported her missing.

According to GSAR coordinator Chuck Hamilton, the woman walked more than 10 kilometres after leaving her home that morning at 8:30 a.m.

"She was mildly upset when we reached her, but regained her spirits when she was returned home," Hamilton said. "She was just trucking along and appeared to be just fine."

Notified just after 1:30 p.m., eight members of the Salt Spring GSAR were transported to Galiano aboard the coast guard vessel Cape Kuper and the rigid-hulled inflatable zodiac.

Hamilton said a fast response from all parties permitted the team to complete its search before nightfall.

"Once the sun starts to set, it's a whole different story," he said. On Galiano, GSAR members coordinated their search with Galiano's lone RCMP officer.

## South-end hosts polar bears

If a wave of screams terrified Morningside Road area residents on January 1, they can be reassured it was only the by-product of the South End Polar Bear Swim.

They may also have witnessed a spontaneous street dance with Bob Marley tunes in the background, reports south-end resident Harry Burton.

"The final count this year was 12 plungers and 14 spectators," said Burton. "Not bad for high tide at Fulford."

He urged people to mark their calendars for January 1, 2007, when the next dip will take place at noon at the shell beach on Morningside, with hot chocolate for all swimmers.

"Be warned: This is the only thing in South Salt Spring that happens on time," he said.

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## Positive forum

The B.C. Utilities Commission (BCUC) should be congratulated first for allowing both the B.C. Transmission Corporation and Sea Breeze Victoria Converter Corporation proposals for the Vancouver Island Transmission Reinforcement Project to be considered at the same time.

Secondly, its relatively formal "town hall" session to hear input from area residents about those proposals proved a positive forum on Saturday at ArtSpring.

The 10-minute speaking limit gave people ample time to read or make their presentations, and a sense of order was maintained throughout, even though the issue is a highly emotional one to many islanders.

How much impact, if any, those appeals and explanations of health concerns will have on members of a panel more attuned to matters like utility rates remains to be seen. But it would be ridiculous to give no credence to residents' research or concerns and to base a decision disproportionately on economics.

Gulf Islands residents will follow the unfolding events with keen and passionate interest.

## Next scene

News that the Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) only recently learned its two-court fabric-covered tennis facility doesn't conform to existing land use zoning fits right in with this tragicomedy so far.

When the poor Salt Spring Tennis Association simply wanted to replace its own indoor bubble several years ago — ideally with a heated one — it was told that wasn't possible at Portlock Park, and was then taken on a dreamy trip to Rainbow Road and back again.

Getting the project off to a running start by doing a quick contract pass to a company that helped write the RFP, and the Capital Regional District's subsequent support of the process landed the whole thing in court.

Now two outdoor tennis courts sit useless without the fencing that was ripped out just before PARC learned it needs to rezone the land and get a height variance before the (unheated) new structure can proceed.

Meanwhile, PARC and the CRD are liable for a \$572,000 contract, and still face a court case from ratepayers.

And how this will actually be paid for? You can cry or laugh. Or do a bit of both.

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## Fear-mongering not part of transmission line opposition

By ENID TURNER

My husband recently had a pace-maker installed. The machine is accompanied by a warning that you must avoid certain electrical devices that might compromise its performance, and there is an explicit warning to not be too close to overhead power lines of more than 100 kv.

And here we are looking at a possible 230kv line passing by our front gate.

I think we're all very aware that there has been a great deal of disputation over tests and studies that both aim to prove or disprove, that electro magnetic radiation emanating from power lines and many everyday devices can cause harm to living tissue over the long term. Having read many of these arguments I'm inclined to take the view that there is probable cause for serious concern. And I think it behooves our government to take measures to implement a precautionary approach policy that would afford a degree of protection to the public.

### VIEW POINT

Many items we deem necessary for our existence, such as hairdryers and computers, have their own electro-magnetic fields, and it is a recognized fact that these wares may be having a harmful effect on the human body. The World Health Organization cautions people against being too close to certain appliances while they are in operation, and to avoid using them for long periods at a time.

If these sporadic doses of electro-magnetic radiations are not good for us, then how much worse can it be for us to be subjected to the constant force coming from 230-kv high-voltage lines passing by our residences or workplaces with the black promise of yet another 230kv to be added a few years later?

Many countries have legislation in place making it illegal for

any new housing to be built near power lines. Also, there are laws prohibiting the placing of additional high voltage close to existing buildings. I would like to ask why are we not catching up in this regard?

The manner in which the B.C. Transmission Corporation plans to place additional high voltage so close to already established homes, hospitals and densely populated areas seems to be an extremely stupid and regressive approach to the present problem.

The cavalier attitude that seems to run through so many industries these days, spells it out very clearly: as customers we are no longer the most important factor. Expediency and cost-cutting have become the mantra of this era.

People who are concerned about the long-term effects of exposure to constant EMF radiation are often labelled "fear-mongers."

Acting to protect your health and that of everyone in the community is not fear-mongering. It's called honest humanitarian con-

cern. The biggest fear is with the electrical corporations. They fear the harmful effects of EMF will be proven beyond dispute.

The industry fears that even their hired technical experts will one day say, "Enough! This is not right. You have to take a second look at how things are done. You must take the safest routes open to you, using the safest methods and materials available."

Island Residents Against High Voltage Lines was formed by a group of concerned islanders who wish to protect not only themselves but all those who could be impacted by the blatant lack of caution demonstrated in the planning of this project.

People have spent their time to come here today in the hope that this meeting is not just an empty exercise, a token gesture, giving us the illusion of being able to change things.

I think that this is a time for some serious introspection by all those who have the power to alter

this decision. Is it right that you should disregard the possibility of serious health impacts to our residents, particularly to children? What is the cost to us and the cost to your conscience?

We hope this is a sincere effort by the utilities commission to listen to and satisfy our needs because we take this very seriously.

We know that there is a better alternative, namely the HVDC Light system and we're doing our hardest to make all those involved in this process to recognize this.

Because Hydro's right of way is the WRONG way.

We need safe routing of safer electricity for all the residents along the right of way, for all those who work daily within its bounds, and for all the adults and children yet to come.

It is that simple!

*The above forms part of the writer's presentation to the BCUC on Saturday.*

## Proposal to dump multiculturalism lacks practical road-map

By URI COGAN

I congratulate Mr. Van Oeveren on his courage to stand up for "Canadian rights" (January 4 Driftwood), and on his patriotic and religious zeal in defence of God, our flag, our pledge, our national motto and our way of life.

The culprit, he claims, is this insidious multiculturalism that "dilutes our sovereignty and our national identity." Further, Mr. Van Oeveren states that ours is a "nation founded on Christian principles," so he recommends that all these who will not fit his definition of soci-

### IN RESPONSE

ety or are "offended by God," and all these who do not speak "English or French" should consider leaving the country to "another part of the world."

Brilliant! Except I have some questions. The first has to do with First Nations people; not only do many of them practise a pagan, non-Christian faith, they even have the gall to speak their own languages (there are at

least 53 of them), not English, nor French!

You can't ask them all to leave to where they came from — they were here first! Should we, to be true to Mr. Oeveren's spirit, re-institute the residential school system and ban the potlatch, etc? This could allow us to kill not two but three birds with one stone — get rid of their languages, convert them to Christianity, and transform them into loyal and true Canadians!

What about other Canadians who choose to cultivate their "non-Canadian" cultural heritage — the Chinese and Japanese Canadians, the

Hindu and Sikh, the Ukrainians, the Haitians, etc? Where should they all be "invited" to go to? Any practical suggestions, Mr. Oeveren? Would it be okay if someone were to speak say, Xhosa at home, but English in the workplace?

The final sticking point would be the case of born Canadians who choose to practise other faiths. What about the Wiccans, the Buddhists, Muslims, Baha'is, and Jews, etc., whose holidays sometimes coincide with Christmas?

We need to obtain some practical expertise here if we are to follow Mr. Oeveren's

suggestions. I recommend we look up to the Taliban, who gave us all profound lessons in maintaining religious and cultural purity; just remember what they did to heathenish images such as the great Buddha statues in Bamyan — a quick application of artillery fire, and the idols are gone! The Taliban are inaccessible right now, but as an alternative, may I suggest we set up a collection to send Mr. Oeveren to the Ayatollah Khomeini Memorial University in Teheran for a course on the proper, practical application of patriotic principles, religious purity

and the maintenance of cultural values.

On his way to Teheran it may even be possible for Mr. Oeveren to dump our own Governor General of Canada, Michaëlle Jean, back to Haiti — she symbolizes that nefarious, Canada-wrecking multiculturalism; her French is definitely not of the Quebec variety — more like France if you ask me, and she's from the land of Voodoo too! This is very suspicious!

*The writer is a Salt Spring photographer and former photojournalist.*

# SALT SPRING SAYS

**We asked:** *Where would you rather be at this time of year?*



**Natelia Faller**

*Even if it's a little quiet in the winter, I'm happy right where I am.*



**Grainne James**

*Nowhere else. I love it here and that's why I came all the way from Ireland.*



**Lisa Butterfly**

*There's nowhere else I'd rather be. It's not that cold and I like the rain.*



**Millie Young**

*My family is here and I like it just fine.*



**Kevin Hoadley**

*I'd rather be in Thailand or Fiji sitting on a beach and drinking a Corona.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Spray not safe

This is a heads up for those of you who might have missed the letter by Leslie Wallace in last week's Driftwood.

The government plans to aerial spray our island, even though back in '93 when this method was abandoned, they said they would work with this community to use hand spraying and picking if required.

They've abandoned the "precautionary principle" and this time the target is the farmland on and around Lee's Hill. Overspray and drift often goes another 3,000 metres and could include Maxwell Lake.

There is no proof the gypsy moth is a viable threat in our unique ecology.

The authorities maintain their procedures are safe, but will not disclose the full contents of the spray. The spray kills butterflies, as well as other insects. There is also much evidence that it is harmful to humans.

The spray is not safe to be used over water, but at this point I know of no protections for the many open ponds and

waterways like Ford Lake and Fulford Creek.

Some information can be found at [www.nosprayzone.org/pesticides/](http://www.nosprayzone.org/pesticides/)

Residents hope to have some kind of an internet list-serve up, to co-ordinate information and actions.

Over the course of the next few weeks I'll be attempting to contact all groups and individuals who have an interest.

Please pass this message along.

**TOM PICKETT,**

Lee Road

### Crosswalk

This is further to the discussion about the crosswalk at Rainbow and Lower Ganges roads.

Why not simply move the crosswalk to the other (north) side of Rainbow Road, then erect a pipe barrier with a sign stating: "This crosswalk closed" and direct pedestrians to the other side?

This would allow cars passing on the passenger (blind) side to approach the intersection reasonably sure pedestrians would not be popping out in front of the vehicle on the left.

By moving the crosswalk, visibility would be improved as the hedge on the corner would not interfere with drivers' or pedestrians' vision.

It would also eliminate the students having to cross Rainbow Road, which at times can be a challenge to any driver.

**K. BARNES,**

Ganges

### Daily assault

It would take an awful lot of carbon dioxide and methane to change the Earth's global climate.

How much human-produced CO2 is now in the atmosphere?

What about climate change in the past? Ice ages and tropical conditions at the North Pole have fluctuated every 150,000 years or so. I don't think anyone really knows why.

Meanwhile, pollution caused by diesel-powered vehicles (as Terry Graham has pointed out as a member of Citizens Against Diesel Emissions) assaults us every day worldwide and right here in Ganges.

Why do we allow this to continue?

**PETER RAMSEY,**

Salt Spring

### Better place

I address this to last week's letter-writer Robert Van Oeveren, who wrote: "We are happy with our culture, and have no desire to change, and we really don't care how you did things where you come from. This is our country, our land and our lifestyle . . . You have the right to leave."

The signatory could have been the First Nations peoples of the Western Hemisphere.

I was born in war-torn Israel, the daughter of a Russian Jewish immigrant father, whose entire family was murdered by the Fascists and who fought with the Allies against the Nazis in WWII; and a Yugoslavian Jewish immigrant mother, survivor of Auschwitz, who landed in Toronto with \$20 and no English in 1952, and who both worked hard all their lives in order to give me a better future.

They paid their taxes, were good people and good citizens, participated fully and contributed much to the country that gave them the opportunity for a better life.

They made your "Chris-

tian" country a better place.

And they wish you a very Merry Christmas.

**RACHEL JACOBSON,**

Salt Spring

### Town hall spectrum

A huge "thank you" goes to the people of Salt Spring on behalf of the members of IRAHVOL (Island Residents Against High-Voltage Overhead Lines.)

We were all extremely pleased with the turn-out at the town hall session on Saturday. All seats were quickly filled before it began and more chairs had to be brought out. The support from everyone there was unbelievable, and single-minded regarding health and safety issues.

It was made abundantly clear to the B.C. Utilities Commission that it is time for change. There was no doubt we don't want overhead AC towers and we do want an HVDC Light system.

HVDC Light has no health and safety issues. The choice is obvious.

All speakers were excellent,

and they represented a broad spectrum of the community.

Many issues were raised, but one of the most important points which was mentioned over and over was the need for an environmental assessment prior to the final decision being made by the BCUC.

At the all-candidates meeting on Sunday, all four candidates said they would support a full federal environmental assessment of both proposals. If this does not occur, it will be an absolute travesty.

The people on this island are really amazing! Well done, everyone.

**DARIA ZIVI,**  
**CHARLES BAZZARD,**  
**JACKIE & DOUG TRUSCOTT**  
**JOHN WAKEFIELD,**  
**ENID & BARBARA TURNER**  
Salt Spring

### Scoundrel

Re: Robert Van Oeveren's letter last week:

The last refuge of the scoundrel is the flag.  
**PETER WIEGAND,**  
Fort Street

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## Think past 'our little microcosm' for community good

By **CANDACE SNOW**

Happy New Year everyone!

The year has been very good for me, though at present my heart is full of sadness for the passing of our lovely Naimn Howe. I'm sorry if you did not know her; I feel so blessed that I did! May she be peaceful where she lies.

I am reminded that we are only visitors on this earth, some of us for longer than others, but temporary nonetheless. There is no better time than the present to live life to the fullest, to be kind and compassionate both to others and to Mother Earth.

Now is the perfect time for thinking of ways to enhance ourselves, our community and the land that we share. What contributions can we make to humanity and to ensuring there is a viable future for the next generation (and hopefully many more after that)?

We are so amazingly fortunate to live where we do! Even if life is

### GUEST COLUMN

a struggle here for some of us and not always hospitable, our physical circumstances could be s-o-o-o much worse. We could be war torn or suffering from years of drought. We could be an orphan child whose family has died of AIDS. We could be victims of terrorism.

Anyone who does not believe what the media is showing and telling about what's out there may benefit from a sojourn to a land less bountiful. I have travelled many places in my adult life and have learned so much! Most of all, I witnessed an incredible diversity in religion, language, cultures and so much variance in economic well-being, health and social status. I saw the beauty of ancient architecture and splendid temples devoted

to higher beings. I also saw ruins of those destroyed by political power. There were countless stunning land and seascapes and wonderful forays through jungles, hiking vast mountains and travelling down famous waterways. There were also places of squalor, whole villages that were victims of natural disasters, once rich farming areas given up to vast industrialization. These travels have broadened my perspective so incredibly and given me a great sense of appreciation for where and who I am.

We landed in Toronto after a year and a half of travelling mainly through Asia. Here we visited many of my husband's family members and friends. Many of them were professionals earning in the six digits and yet not happy with their lives. Several were spending countless dollars seeing therapists for depression and anxiety or complaining about not being able to afford that second car or a

new boat for the cottage.

I have to say, it was difficult to be sympathetic. In fact, I kept wanting to say, "save the money and the shrink and take a trip to Calcutta" where a huge percentage of the population lives on the streets. Where children are maimed by their own parents so they can be put out on the streets to beg for money which will help support the whole family. Where if you are born into the caste of Untouchables, there is no option for upward mobility.

How did I happen to land on Salt Spring Island? Why was my karma so good? What did I do that made me find my way to this land of hope and beauty?

I so appreciate how fortunate I am to have found this place on Earth and I never take it for granted. There is nature all around me, clean air and water, people who care, who are passionate about the health and the well-being of our

island community. We have choices here; I can eat organic food, work in a positive environment, send my children to safe schools, choose to be part of an organized religion or not . . .

Last year there was a lot of anger, bickering, pointing fingers and disrespect regarding so many issues in our community. Perhaps we should think beyond our little microcosm to the bigger picture and we may become more cooperative and congenial. We have elected people to our local Trust, CRD and school board who have promised to take care of us and the environment.

There are ways that we can individually and as a collective contribute and be heard to promote the health, beauty and sustainability of this land we call home. I, for one, am planning to be involved and to make it a very Happy New Year!

*The writer is co-owner of Island Escapades.*

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**Culture**

Robert Van Oeveren, in his long letter (more of a rant) to the Driftwood last week, rejects the idea of Canada as a multicultural community, saying "we have our own culture, our own society, our own language, and our own lifestyle" that "has been developed over centuries" and suggests that anyone who doesn't want to speak English or French or who is offended by the Christian idea of God etc. should leave for a different part of the planet.

There are many ways in which I find his views offensive, but most of all I cannot but wonder how Mr. Van Oeveren, as he wrote all of this, could fail to think about the First Nations people who for thousands of years had inhabited this land as theirs with their own culture, their own society and their own language before the English and French Christians came and, certainly in this province, for the most part took the land without treaties and set about destroying the culture, language, society, land and waters of the aboriginal people.

**JACQUELINE THOMAS,**  
Salt Spring

**Change with  
the country**

In response to Mr. Oeveren's curmudgeonly complaint in last week's paper, I feel the need to point out the irony that an admitted immigrant is insisting that everyone who steps on the same welcome mat as he did years ago act exactly as he has chosen to do.

Times are changing, my friend, as they always have. While Canada remains a predominantly Christian nation, their numbers are declining every year, while the increasing number of Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists and all of the other colours of the spiritual rainbow are choosing Canada as a tolerant society in which they can freely practise their faith. While I don't want to open the debate as to why Christianity is in decline, I would hazard a guess that witnessing people throwing stones of intolerance from behind walls of righ-

teousness may have something to do with it.

I agree that speaking passable English should be required as a resident, but expecting others to hew to our beliefs is not the country I was born in. The law is one thing, religion is entirely another matter.

Christmas, like most holidays, has long been transformed from its original (pagan) celebration of the return of light, to the alleged date of the birth of Jesus, to the nouveau-European Saint Nick/Santa Claus, to finally just another excuse to shop. The original exoteric religious value sadly only remains in the adorned tree or a cut-out Nativity scene in front of the Church.

Easter? Same origin, same fate. This can hardly be blamed on other religions. Blame the faith of consumerism for that. A lack of spirit in our lives can never be blamed on others.

Most Canadians believe in a separation of church and state, and since schools are funded with tax-paid dollars, the walls of our schools are no place for religion. There are plenty of Catholic schools for that. In insisting that "God is part of our culture," Mr. Oeveren is speaking on behalf of his culture, not the culture of all of Canada.

Most Canadians would readily admit to a spiritual belief, but more and more of us answer either to a different God than the Christian one, or check off "Other" on the census form.

Today's young people are asking questions and finding their own answers, as they always have, but couple that with our rich heritage of immigration from all nations, and Canada is taking on a different hue, one with a slightly less white face, and a slightly less white, male God.

It is what makes us unique among nations in the world, and why so many of us love to live here, and why so many choose to come here. To suggest that immigrants who don't see the one true way of behaving should move elsewhere cuts both ways. If the country that you immigrated to no longer looks like the one you want it to, please feel free to leave.

If you stay, change with the country, or you will find the country changing without you.  
**ALEX ARNET,**  
Salt Spring

**Chemicals  
and cancer**

With all the talk about health care in this election Canadians are hearing nothing of the links between the toxic chemicals that we live with and the diseases that are killing us in vast numbers.

My mother died of cancer. So did my sister-in-law. Cancer has taken several of my friends and acquaintances. Unfortunately, this is nothing out of the ordinary these days. Fifty years ago cancer was a rare disease; today one out of four Canadians die of it.

Meanwhile, according to Environment Canada's National Pollutant Release Inventory (October 2005), Canadian industries released nearly 18-million kilograms of carcinogens in 2003. That's over a pound of cancer-causing poison per Canadian. Add that to the carcinogens we import in paints and varnishes, household and office furnishings and carpets, computers and agricultural pesticides, amongst others, and you have a veritable river of death! Why does Canada allow this?

Why does Canada poison the earth and its citizens with more volatile organic compounds per capita than any of the 30 other member countries of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, including the U.S., U.K., Germany, France etc.? (VOCs are recognized cancer causing chemicals)

Why did Canada release more nuclear waste per capita into the environment in 2003 than any other OECD country?

Canada has one of the worst pollution records among industrialized countries around the world. Why do our leaders allow this? Have they decided that for economic and industrial reasons, eating, drinking and breathing poison is the way it has to be for Canadians? Other countries are saying no to these toxins — why aren't we?

Read Toxic Nation by Environmental Defence (www.toxicnation.ca). It's a recent report on the level of toxic chemicals that Canadians are carrying around in their bodies. On average, 41 carcinogens were found in each person tested. Most of them are found in everyday items like those mentioned above.

Dear candidate, bearing in mind that largely as a consequence of unregulated industrial activities and import policies, carcinogenic substances have become ubiquitous in this country and, as could only be expected, we're actually dying of them, what is your vision for

getting us out of this mess?  
If you think this is just an issue for the Green Party, you're wrong. It's a life and death issue. It's everyone's issue!  
**BILL HENDERSON,**  
Salt Spring

**Chronic pain  
support group**

You are not alone. You are not crazy or a hypochondriac. Your pain is very real.

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Living with chronic pain can be very lonely. No one — not even your loved ones or your doctor — can get inside your body and truly feel what you go through every day — and every night, as you toss and turn, trying to find a comfortable position to sleep in. And, because arthritis, osteoporosis, fibromyalgia, syringomyelia, and the various other forms pain may take are hidden away inside your body, family, friends, and co-workers may expect you to carry on and push forth.

The people around you believe that if you look well, you are well. But, you are not. And, because, at times, you just can't push on, you keep more and more to yourself — alone.

My name is Sharon and I have syringomyelia, which, over the years, has developed into a chiari malformation, both very rare neurological diseases, well hidden in my spine. However hidden, they each carry with them a handful of symptoms, the most profound being chronic, exhausting, frustrating, lonely pain.

More and more I have felt the need to talk to someone who, because of their own physical pain, can listen to me with true understanding and talk with me from their own experiences. This need has led me to the Chronic Pain Association of Canada and to start a chronic pain support group here on Salt Spring.

The focus of the Salt Spring Chronic Pain Support Group will be one of sharing and listening. It will be a place where members can safely and confidentially let go of their frustrating thoughts and worries.


It will be a place to exchange information and ideas about how we can, not only deal with pain each day, but find ways to move through life with less pain. A place where we can build confidence in the sustaining knowledge that we are not alone.

Anyone interested in such a support group, please call me at 537-1534 or email sharon.sorrell@hotmail.com.  
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Despite visceral and justifiable frustration at our political system, few Canadians can deny that the last 17 months of federal politics have been an anomalously democratic chapter in federal politics.

Under the threat of "dys-functional deadlock" and imminent collapse, our government managed a relatively progressive agenda thanks to the need to collaborate publicly with the opposition parties. A refreshing change after more than a decade of Liberal party dominance and the typical excesses associated with such power.

That a minority government should be more democratic and accountable than a majority government, but also be more unstable, is an oft-overlooked paradox of Canadian politics. At the root of this paradox is our antiquated electoral rules, a leftover from our British past, which consistently distort the will of voters by misrepresenting the popular vote. Our political parties are spoiled by a system that encourages them not to work together, and instead seek power at the first chance.

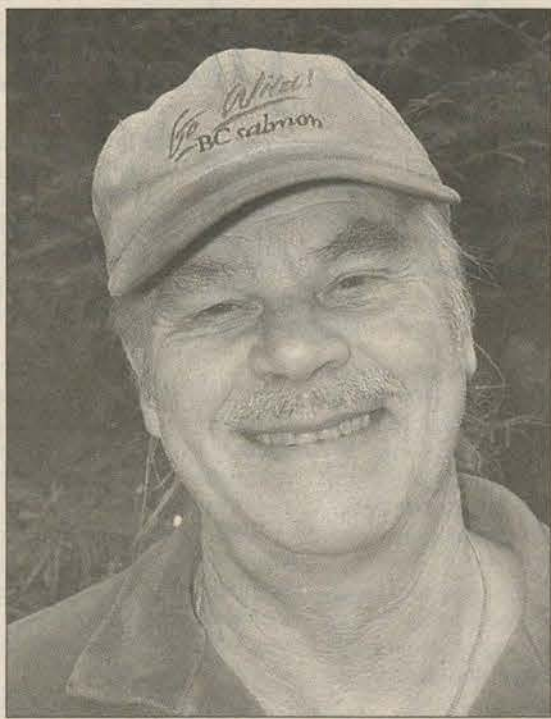
The obvious alternative to this system is some form of proportional representation. Although this isn't much of a revelation to the rest of the world, considering that 75 other democracies have already chosen this system, it's a concept just starting to creep into the margins of our national awareness as a practical alternative.

Even a partial list of potential benefits is compelling. Every vote actually counts and is represented in parliament. Stable minority, coalition type governments would be the norm rather than the exception.

Exaggerated regional differences leading to single party domination of entire provinces would be eased, as the diversity of political views that exist clear across Canada would now be honoured. Research shows that women and minorities are much better represented in the legislatures of PR governments.

Pursuing the adoption of a proportional representation electoral system is really a political no-brainer. It's a proven practical alternative that should appeal to Canadians of all political stripes who are interested in enhancing the quality of our democracy. With the polls pointing to another minority government, now is the time for Canadians to act on this issue and push it to the forefront. Rarely do such strategic moments of political uncertainty arise when fundamental changes such as this are possible.

**SEAN NORGARD,**  
Fruitvale Road



## DERRICK'S ISLAND PICS

Name: Ron Nordine  
537/538/653:537  
Occupation(s): Fisherman (fish peddler)  
What would you like to be: Margaretha's hero.  
How long on SSI: 30 years.  
Hobbies: music, mushroom picking and wine-making.  
Favourite people: choir and band members.  
Favourite read: Arthur Black.  
Best thing about SSI: Interesting people.  
Worst thing about SSI: No bridge, bad roads and bad drivers.  
Words of advice: Slow down.  
Best place to kiss on SSI?: Margaretha's garden.

### Terror war

First off, I'd like to recommend a great little novel I got at Fables Cottage, The Freedom of Jenny, by Julie Burtinshaw. This story was inspired by that of Sylvia Stark, who came to Salt Spring in 1860, also in search of freedom.

As I read the novel, I couldn't help but make connections to our times. I hadn't known before that slaves who had bought their freedom could, up until about 1865, legally be captured and sold again as slaves in the U.S. Today, the U.S. and also Canada are holding prisoners indefinitely, without allowing those prisoners and their lawyers to know what, if anything, they have been charged with. (Today's laws are part of the "war on terror", which, in many ways, is turning out to be a "war OF terror".)

In the 1800s, for slaves, Canada meant freedom. It's interesting to think of how others have come to Canada from the U.S., also in search of different types of freedom.

In the 1960s, thousands of young men came to Canada to avoid the Vietnam war or imprisonment. "Canada,"

said our prime minister (Trudeau), "should be a refuge from militarism."

Now others, some of them former soldiers such as Joshua Key, who spoke at Salt Spring's Hiroshima Day commemoration last summer are once again seeking refuge in Canada. Many of these young soldiers join the army in search of a way to serve their country and earn a living. Young fathers, like Key, were told they would not be sent to fight a war, but then find themselves in Iraq, carrying out orders that go against their conscience.

Our current MP, Gary Lunn, would like to send war resisters such as Joshua Key back to the U.S. Gary Lunn can be thanked for being honest about his views, but his stance undermines the potential for Canada to be worthy of its reputation as a refuge from militarism.

Lunn explains that he is concerned that resources Canada might offer to "deserters" would diminish the resources Canada would have for accepting refugees from other countries. I checked with our federal department of immigration and found out that we do not have a quota system. That means accepting war resisters

does not mean other refugees would have to be turned away. It is also likely that by helping the war resisters, Canada can help change the political climate of repressive imperialism, which still undermines democracy and freedom in many parts of the world.

Arguably, just as Canada's anti-slavery stance contributed to bringing an end to slavery in the U.S., now our support for war resisters can help bring an end to the "war of terror."

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# Decision time plagues grads

This time of year is a special one around Gulf Islands Secondary (GISS) — yes, it's when Semester 1 final exams arrive and basketball season begins — but more specifically, it is when the Grade 12s have a series of tough decisions to make.

January and February are when most scholarship and university applications are due and, ultimately, when we all have to decide what we want to do with our lives next year.

In an ideal world, by this time of year, university-bound students should have applied to their top three school choices and trades students should be deciding where to do their apprenticeships and scholarship applications. Well, many should be postmarked and received long ago. But, it's not that easy.

## TALK ABOUT WITH LAURA STEWART



lived in for 18 years. We will be leaving everything we are used to: our friends, our family and, most of all, the "safety nets" we have come to call home.

While it may seem like I'm getting ahead of myself — after all it is only January — the decisions we make now will affect us for the rest of our lives.

What are these decisions you might ask? Grads are bombarded with options for their next years: do you take a year off or go straight to university or college?

What would that year off look like? An exchange to Europe, perhaps, or staying close to home and working to raise money?

Should you apply to universities and colleges? If so,

which ones?

Will you have enough money to finance an education? And the list goes on.

Furthermore, these are, for the first time, decisions we have to make for ourselves. Yes, our parents can help us to a certain extent, but for the most part, this is the first time we grads have to make life choices alone.

Some of us have this all sorted out. There are some grads who, ever since middle school, have known exactly what they will do for the rest of their lives. But those individuals are few and far between.

For the rest of us, we are now in a time of much contemplation, as we sort through the hundreds of amazing opportunities offered by the world, trying to find one that will truly make us happy.

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heavy rain. Those who drive without lights might be able to see but we can't always, especially when a car comes out of a driveway ahead fairly close.

You really know who your friends are when you move. Thanks to Andy, Caroline and Andrea. JnL

Pink roses to Craig, Cathryn and the gang at Salt Spring Natureworks. Thank you so much for your open hearts and your gifts of food to feed the people. From Sunshine House, Food Not Bombs and Copper Kettle.

A rose for each Girl Guide and Cub who sang Christmas carols outside Brink-worthy homes. (Not Scouts, as mentioned in last week's column).

Fragrant roses to all the ranters, without whose contributions this column would not be so popular. Keep on ranting and a Happy (grumpy) New Year to you all. JS

## What's for Dinner?

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Over medium heat sauté 3 tablespoons butter, 1 small chopped onion, 3 cloves minced garlic until soft. Cool, then puree together with 10 roasted red peppers (1 jar) 1 small can diced tomatoes & 3 cups vegetable stock in a blender or food processor until smooth. Mix the puree with 1/2 cup cooking sherry or red wine (optional), 1 teaspoon paprika & 2 teaspoons sugar. Simmer over low heat for 15 minutes. Add 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream & simmer for 5 minutes more. Add salt & pepper to taste. If you desire a thicker soup, mix together in a small bowl 3 tablespoons flour & 3 tablespoons water until smooth then add to your hot soup & stir. Top with a fresh sprig of basil or parsley. Serve with a fresh, hearty bread like Mountain Grain from our bakery department.

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# Time on our hands becomes dead weight for our wrists

A wristlet? Why, I'd sooner wear a skirt than a wristlet.

Such was the prevailing sentiment among manly men back in the early 1900s, when the devices first showed their comely faces.

A girly thing, for certain. Wristlets — we call them wristwatches nowadays — were deemed effete and frangible, exclusively the preserve of elderly widows and swoon-prone damsels.

When a real man wanted to know what time it was, he hauled a great honking gold watch the size of a hockey puck out of his fob pocket, popped the lid and took a reading, like Magellan sussing out the stars with a sextant. Fortunately, tempus fugit and customs change. The wristwatch gradually shed its effeminate image.

And just as well, because the wristwatch is such a phenomenally sensible idea. So much more convenient than humping a bronze sundial around on your back or strapping an egg timer to your forearm and having to remember to flip it every three minutes. The wristwatch is lightweight, durable, accurate and quintessentially handy.

So why do we keep screwing around with it?

I'm looking at a newspaper ad for something called the Maxi Marine Chronometer, a product from Ulysse Nardin, a swanky Swiss watchmaker. The ad tells me that the Maxi Marine Chronometer comes with an official rating certificate issued by the Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute. It also says the device has a self-winding movement, a power reserve indicator and is water-resistant to 660 feet. It doesn't say whether my Maxi Marine Chronometer will give me the time of day.

Overdone as it is, this watch is one of the more restrained models on the mar-

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ket. There are wristwatches out there that spew out barometer reckonings, compass bearings, depth readings and phases of the moon. Perpetual calendar? No problem. Built-in calculator? Stopwatch? Personal alarm? Lap counter? A dozen models to choose from.

See . . . here's the thing I want in a wrist watch: I want it to tell me what time it is and . . . er, that's it, really. I already have an alarm clock and a calendar. I usually know whether I'm headed towards the Arctic or the Antarctic and I mostly don't care what the barometric reading or the phase of the moon might be.

As for my watch being accurate 660 feet underwater — if my wrist ever finds itself that far beneath the waves, knowing the time of day will be the least of my problems.

I know I'm behind the . . . times. Not like cousin Jeff, who's on top of everything, especially watches. He wears a Rolex on one wrist and a Patek Philippe on the other.

Not that he's satisfied. The other day Jeff is walking through Union Station in Toronto when he sees a guy coming towards him, humping two huge suitcases. He also notices the guy is wearing a drop-dead gorgeous wristwatch on one arm.

"Excuse me," says my cousin Jeff, "That watch on your arm it looks . . . special."

"My own invention," says the guy, set-

ting down his suitcases. "Take a look."

The stranger hits a button and the watch face shows Ontario, the major cities and the current time.

"It's got time zones right across the world, plus I've dubbed in regional voice prints."

He hits the button for Australia. The voice of Crocodile Dundee comes out of the watch and says "G'Day, mate — it's quarter of six — last call."

My cousin Jeff is astounded but the stranger isn't finished.

"Look at this," he says, and presses another button. A high-resolution map of downtown Toronto appears on the watch face, showing the subway lines, current traffic conditions and the score of the Blue Jays game going on down at the Skydome.

"I have to have this watch," says my cousin Jeff.

"Oh, no," says the stranger, "I'm still working out the bugs. But check this out."

He hits another button. An FM radio receiver in the wristwatch starts broadcasting a production of Aida. Another button displays the latest Toronto Stock Exchange quotations. Still another connects to Paul Martin's back room think tank.

Jeff blurts, "I'll give you a thousand bucks for the watch, right now!"

"Oh no," says the stranger, "I've spent more than that on it already."

"Five thousand. Ten thousand! Look," says Jeff, "I'll give you 15 grand right now!" Whaddya say?"

The inventor says, "But it's not . . ." then sighs, slaps his hand on the suitcases, slips off the wristwatch. Cousin Jeff writes a cheque, grabs the watch and starts to leave.

"Hey, hold on a minute," says the inventor, pointing to the two suitcases.

"You forgot your batteries."

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## DOWN THE YEARS

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• MacMillan Bloedel Ltd. announced plans to turn the north end of its Galiano property into a park and sell the rest of its 3,100 hectares (7,877 acres) to the general public.

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### 10 years ago

• Margaret's Museum, a film written, directed and produced by Salt Spring resident Mort Ransen, won six Genie awards.

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## Dodd simply 'passing it on' by volunteering



### Carol Dodd Stats

**Full name:** Carol Dodd  
**Lived on Salt Spring:** 6 years  
**Spouse/kids/grandkids:** Daughter Carisu and son Art  
**Likes:** People who are passionate about what they care about.  
**Dislikes:** People who allow that passion to become anger.  
**Future ambitions:** Enjoying life to the fullest, doing the things I like to do.  
**Words of advice:** "Don't look on volunteering as something that's big or needs to take a lot of time. Very small actions can have tremendous results."



*I seemed to fit into this astonishing community. I felt as if I'd come home.*

CAROL DODD



CAROL DODD proudly serves in the Salt Spring Island Rotary Club.



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By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
 Staff Writer

Volunteering has played a large part throughout Carol Dodd's life, but she feels humble to be recognized for her recent contributions on the island.

"There are so many people who deserve this honour more than I do," Dodd said.

However, she's volunteered with the local Rotary Club, ArtSpring, SSplash, the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council, the Salt Spring Island Garden Club and the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) since she moved to Salt Spring in 1999.

"If everyone does a little bit, a whole lot gets done."

Recalling a moment that sums up her approach to volunteering, Dodd once babysat for a friend with a new baby, who offered a small gift of thanks. Dodd responded, "You can't pay me for doing this. People helped me when I had small children and I just ask that you 'pass it on' . . . Sometimes you have to graciously accept assistance and sometimes you have to graciously give."

Dodd grew up in Langley and found that Salt Spring provided "that feeling of love and community that you don't often get in small towns anymore."

Her volunteering connection goes back to when she was living in Delta with young children where she helped at a cooperative kindergarten and worked as a Girl Guides leader and

area commissioner. A move to Toronto with a demanding job meant less time to volunteer, but she offered help with the local opera. When Dodd moved to Salt Spring with an aim to retire, she found a welcoming community that encourages people to get involved, she said.

"I seemed to fit into this astonishing community," she said. "I felt as if I'd come home."

She didn't end up retiring on the island and works as a bookkeeper in the business office at Greenwoods.

Her current volunteering focus is with two groups: the Rotary Club and PARC.

"The Rotary Club is important because you can do things that we do in the local community, but also in the larger world."

Through the local Rotary Club, Dodd has been able to help school children in Venezuela, send care packages to tsunami and earthquake victims in Asia and assist Mike Nickels to plant a community garden in Kenya.

"It seems so much more personal than giving money to the Canadian Red Cross — which is also still very valuable."

Recent local projects include tiles in Rotary Marine Park and planning for Rotary Family Park at the Rainbow Road recreation site.

"There's always something."

Her father has served with the Rotary Club for 35 years and she also takes pride in being a Rotarian.

"If groups have community needs, they come to us," she noted.

She became a PARC commissioner in January 2005.

"I had a background in the construction industry and finance. Those were two things I could bring to the table for the pool."

Her work as a commissioner has become very "pool-centric" but she also looks at overall PARC operations as a member of the finance and parks planning committees.

"Anything that comes to the attention of PARC, we try to do our best to meet the needs of the community as a whole."

During her involvement with PARC, she has gained deep respect for fellow commissioners, staff members and committee volunteers.

"A huge amount of time and energy goes into the running of our parks and recreation," she said. "Without those volunteers, we just wouldn't have the amenities we have on the island."

As result of her increased work with PARC and the Rotary Club, she had to reduce some other volunteer commitments, but she believes change is good for both volunteers and organizations.

"An important part of volunteering is stepping back to make room for somebody else," she said.

Humility is also a critical aspect of being a volunteer, she stressed.

"It's a mistake to think you're indispensable . . . That's how organizations and people grow — by changing and moving laterally."

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# GISS' Marat/Sade play aims to disturb, challenge, reward

Students from Gulf Islands Secondary School's Acting 11/12 class are preparing two performances of a challenging and controversial play by German playwright Peter Weiss.

The play, *Marat/Sade: The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as Performed by the Inmates of the Asylum of Charenton under the Direction of Monsieur de Sade*, will be the final performance of this senior acting class. The production also incorporates original, live, student-composed music.

Performances take place at ArtSpring on Thursday-Friday, January 19-20 at 7:30 p.m.

Peter Weiss's play employs influences ranging from Shakespeare to Brecht to Artaud's Theatre of Cruelty.

"The Marquis de Sade (Corey Robinson) directs fellow insane asylum patients in a re-enactment of the murder of revolutionary Jean-Paul Marat (Lowell Rockcliffe) by Charlotte Corday (Pandora Morgan), a key event at the height of the French Revolution," explains a press release.

"The play is staged for the amusement of upper-class audience members. However, the play ignites a revolutionary spirit in the asylum inmates. The merits of individuality and the collective are debated, emphasizing physical and mental pleasures/pains, and spiritual and material wealth/poverty. The setting highlights conformity and control."

The play is considered topical, notes the class. "Our current global-political climate involves a 'you are with us or against us' inquisition which resonates metaphorically throughout



**DRAWING BLOOD:** Dagger-wielding GISS drama student Pandora Morgan re-enacts the murder of revolutionary Jean-Paul Marat, played by Lowell Rockcliffe. The play runs January 19-20 at ArtSpring.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

this play — especially given an institution's tendency towards brutal conformity. Further, revolution and ambition are characteristics passionately important to this group of young people."

Audience members should be aware that the play is rated with a Parental Advisory of 14+. The warning states that "violent revolution, sexuality and religion are explored and depicted in a way that may be offensive to some audiences. This play is not for everyone; it is disturbing and challenging. It is also thoughtful and rewarding."

Tickets are \$10 and available through the ArtSpring box office with limited reserved seating.

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# ArtSpring workshop aims to fill the house for performers

For every artist and performer, nothing says success better than full attendance at an event. Getting people to that event is another story, says ArtSpring's executive director Paul Gravett.

In the first of three free workshops, ArtSpring explores ways artists and performers can build and retain their audiences to gain the success they deserve.

Led by Paul Gravett, a workshop called Getting Them Through the Doors, an exploration into ways artists and performers can engage and excite the public, takes place at ArtSpring on Sunday, January 15, from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

"Gone are the days when most people will happily pay money to sit in a dark room

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listening to a concert for two hours and then go home," he said. "People want more value out of their entertainment experiences and many are motivated by a greater involvement."

He notes that "ArtSpring has been successful building audiences for the concerts it presents, but has worked hard to earn our patrons and, most

importantly, to keep them coming back for more."

Workshop participants will explore ways to create value-added experiences for their audiences that are ideally suited to our community and Salt Spring's local presenting organizations and artists.

This workshop sets the groundwork for the second

free workshop, Spreading the Word: Marketing and Promotion (Saturday, January 21).

The third free workshop, Getting the Work Done, will explore ways to strengthen volunteer organizations. It's on Saturday, February 4.

Attendance at all three workshops is encouraged, but not mandatory.

Call 537-2125 or visit [art-spring.ca](http://art-spring.ca) for further information.

The workshops are made possible with support from 2010 Legacies Now.

# Inner voice infuses Saturday concert at Stowell Lake Farm by Tibetan Australian musician

Spirit Matters Productions hosts a Tibetan Healing Mantra Concert with acclaimed Tibetan musician Tenzing Tsewang on Saturday night at Stowell Lake Farm.

Tenzing Tsewang is a professional Tibetan/Australian musician who has brought a unique mix of spiritual, cultural and contemporary music to Australia, where he has lived since 1979.

"Tenzing's music is his inner voice, combining the experiences of a dispossessed peoples, a rich spiritual and folk culture and the struggles and joys of life as a migrant in Australia," notes a press release.

"With soft flute improvisations, ancient Tibetan chanting and mythical Tibetan folk songs, Tenzing takes his audience on a cultural and spiritual journey. Combining bamboo flute, clay flute, Tibetan guitar, drum, cymbals and a voice trained in the arts of a chanting master, Tenzing's music is soothing, confronting, humorous and revealing."

Born into a family of Tibetan nomads, Tenzing spent his childhood amongst the vast desert plains of the Tibet-Himalayan highlands. Forced to flee their beloved homeland after the Chinese Communist invasion, Tenzing's village members walked over high mountain



Tenzing Tsewang

passes to Nepal, only to be met with the disease and suffering of Kathmandu refugee camps.

Living in exile in India, Tenzing received an intensive education at the Namgyal Tantric College, the private monastery of His Holiness the Dalai Lama. This included Tibetan Buddhist philosophies, logic, meditation, sacred ritual music and ancient tantric dances. The college immediately recognized his natural talent for chanting and trained his rich voice in the arts of a chanting master.

Prior to the concert, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., a Tibetan and Indian Bazaar will be held with crafts made by a Tibetan cooperative where sales benefit the Tibetan Children's Village located in McCloud Gang, India.

Chai and samosas will also be served. Stowell Lake Farm is at 190 Reynolds Road.

A special guest performance will be also given by Tenzin Tsunda-la, who was a student of His Holiness the Dalai Lama for over 24 years.

Tickets to the January 14 event, which begins at 7:30 p.m., can be bought in advance at Acoustic Planet Music for \$12 and will be available at the door for \$15.

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9	291	383	KCTS	Arthur	Maya&M.	Cyberch.	Business	News	Classics	Traveler	Walking the Bible	Frontline Pt. 3 of 3 from Jan 10	News	W. Week			
10	120	702	SRC	La fosse aux lionnes	Véro	Union	Journal	Téléj.	Virginie	L'Épicerie	Match-étoiles	Monde	Gars, fille	Téléjournal/Point	Journal	Mélie	
11	268	354	KNOW	Dora	RolieP.	George	Peep	Mechanic	D. Smith	Undersea	In Air	100 Great Disc.	Scientists	Food	Landed	Scatter.	Dotto
13	253	359	CITY	CityLine	Ellen DeGeneres	News	News	Million?	Friends	South Beach (P)	South Beach	Everything Miami	News	News	News	News	News
14	620	523	BRAVO	Videos	Bobby's	Mangiaca		Black Swan (2002)	Melanie Doane.	Law & Order	NYPD Blue	Jesus' Son (1999)	Billy Crudup.				
15	522	506	HIST	JAG	Antiques Roadshow	Digging For Truth	Turning Points	JAG	Antiques Roadshow	Digging For Truth	China Beach						
16	521	560	TLC	The New Detectives	The New Detectives	Psychic Witness	Mostly True Stories	The New Detectives	Psychic Witness	Mostly True Stories	The New Detectives						
19	557	541	FAM	15 Proud	40Recess	05 Kim P.	McGuire	L. Time	Darcy	So Raven	Smart G.	Brotherly	Roscoe	Popular	8 Rules	Roscoe	
20	615	520	A&E	Cold Case Files	Bounty	Bounty	Inked	Inked	Rollergirls	Crossing Jordan	Bounty	Bounty	Inked	Inked	Rollergirls		
21	400	400	TSN	MolsonH.	Rivalries on Ice	PreGame	Hockey NHL	Montreal vs Colorado	Sportscentre	Sale and Pelletier	Motoring	Sportscentre					
22	407	419	RSP	Drop In	Miller TV	Prime Time Sports	News	Hockey	Basketball	NBA Orlando Magic vs. Seattle SuperSonics	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News					
23			KSTW	WifeKids	Bernie M.	WifeKids	Bernie M.	Queens	Queens	Seinfeld	70s	South Beach (P)	South Beach	Seinfeld	70s	SouthPk	SouthPk
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26	502	390	NEWS	Can. Now	Can. Now	CBC News: Hour	News: The National	College Days	CBC News: Hour	News: The National	College Days	CBC News: Hour	News: The National	College Days	CBC News: Hour		
27	289	381	KIRO	Judy	Judy	News	News	News	ET	Access	Standing	Yes, Dear	Criminal Minds	CSI: NY	News	Late Sh.	
28	288	380	KOMO	First News @ 4	KOMO 4 News	News	News	News	Fortune	Jeopardy	Lost	Revelations	Lost	Invasion	News	News	News
29	65	394	VISION	Touched By Angel	Minister	Chef!	Doc Martin	Searching For	Little Men	Minister	Chef!	Doc Martin	7th Heaven				

## THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Salt Spring Driftwood: Main Movie Breakout for Jan 11, 2006 to Jan 17, 2006

- WEDNESDAY, JAN 11**
- 6:00 PM
- 14 ★ **Black Swan (2002, Comedy/Drama)** A girl with a dark past must uncover the truth when her boyfriend is accused of a crime. *Melanie Doane, Janet Monid (2h)*
- 6:30 PM
- 3 ★ **The Last Sign (2004, Drama)** A widow is tormented by the ghost of her abusive, alcoholic husband. *Andie MacDowell, Tim Roth (1h30)*
- 8:00 PM
- 24 ★★ **Wildcats (1986, Comedy)** A naive female gym teacher coaches a legendary inner-city high school football team. *Goldie Hawn, Swoosie Kurtz (2h30)*
- 9:00 PM
- 4 ★★ **Looking For Leonard (2002, Drama)** A Czech computer programmer falls for a petty thief until their romance leads to murder. *Kim Huffman, Ben Ratner (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
- 14 ★ **Jesus' Son (1999, Drama)** A drug-addled young man turns his life around when he saves a child's life. *Billy Crudup, Samantha Morton (2h15)*
- 11:00 PM
- 3 ★★ **Baby for Sale (2004, Docu-Drama)** A couple go undercover in a dangerous sting operation to bust a baby-selling ring. *Dana Delany, Hart Bochner (1h30)*
- THURSDAY, JAN 12**
- 7:00 PM
- 3 ★★ **What the Bleep Do We Know? (2004, Comedy/Drama)** Quantum physics are put into simple terms while examining what little we know about life. *Marlee Matlin, Elaine Hendrix (2h)*
- 8:00 PM
- 24 ★ **Breaking Up (1997, Drama)** A passionate couple can't seem to prevent their relationship from falling apart. *Russell Crowe, Salma Hayek (2h)*
- 8:30 PM
- 13 ★ **Meet Joe Black (1998, Drama)** Death comes to Earth to learn about life and falls in love with a millionaire's daughter. *Brad Pitt, Sir Anthony Hopkins (3h5)*
- 9:00 PM
- 3 ★ **Hotel (2001, Comedy)** While filming in Venice, a British film crew stay at a hotel where the staff are cannibals. *Salma Hayek, Max Beesley (2h)*
- 24 ★★ **12 Angry Men (1957, Drama)** A juror convinces his fellow jurors to re-examine the evidence against an accused murderer. *Henry Fonda, Lee J. Cobb (2h)*
- 10:00 PM
- 14 ★★ **Focus (2001, Drama)** During WWII, two people are mistakenly identified as Jews by anti-Semitic neighbours. *William H. Macy, Laura Dern (2h30)*
- 11:00 PM
- 3 ★ **Blood Suckers (2005, Horror)** Intergalactic vampire hunters arrive to rid the universe of vampires. *Leanne Adachi, A.J. Cook (2h)*

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Info: Jamie Alexander, 537-9971

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7	250	321	CTVBC	6:30 Canada AM	Regis & Kelly	The View	eTalk	Balance	Planet	Bold & B.	Gabereau/ Gabereau	General Hospital	Dr. Phil				
8	251	336	GBLBC	6:00 News	100 Huntley Street	World Vision	Insider	Various	News	As the World Turns	Passions/M TBA	Young & Restless					
9	291	383	KCTS	Big World	DragonT.	Zoboo	Barney	Sesame Street	B.Lions	Rogers	Various	Food	Paint	Various	Reading	Big World	Piggley
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11	268	354	KNOW	Various	50 Todd	Arthur	Various	20 Sagwa	Various	Various	Various	Parent	Gaslight	Various	Various	35 Clues	
13	253	359	CITY	6:00 Breakfast TV	Various	Cooks	Relic Hunter	CityLine	Cooks	Spin City	Various	Movies	Various	Maury			
14	620	523	BRAVO	Various	48BNews	Various	Law & Order	Street Legal	Various	Movies	48BNews	Various	Various	Street Legal			
15	522	506	HIST	Frontier Construct.	JAG	Antiques Roadshow	Various	Disasters of Cent.	Marine Machines	Tour of Duty	Frontier Construct.						
19	521	560	TLC	Various	Various	M BabySt.	Various	Baby St.	Various	Clean Sweep	Various	While You Were Out	Martha/M Untold				
19	557	541	FAM	15 Lilo	49W. Pooh	Various	35 Farm	Various	Various	25 King	45 Lilo	Various	35 Aladdin	Various	45 101 D.	Hercules	Fillmore
20	615	520	A&E	City Confidential/M 24	Various	Various	Various	Various	Movie	Various	TU Airline	Various	TU Plot	City Confidential/M 24	Various	Various	Barbarian
21	400	400	TSN	Sportscentre	Off Rec	Various	Various	Various	W TH Billiards	W TH Poker	Million/F Golf	Sony	Open	Interrupt	Off Rec	SportsC	
22	407	419	RSP	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Various	Various	Various	Various	Prime Time Sports	
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	TH F Paid	Your Day	Various	Paid	Paid	Funny!	Funny!	The People's Court	Cagney and Lacey	Matlock			
25	290	382	KCPQ	5:00 Q13 Fox News	Judge Greg Mathis	Justice	Justice	Tony Danza Show	Starting Over	Maury	Jerry Springer	Maury					
26	502	390	NEWS	CBC News: Today	News	CBC News: Today	CBC News: Today	CBC News: Today	CBC News: Today	CBC News: Today	CBC News: Today	Various	Politics	M TU Politics	News	Business	
27	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				
28	288	380	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.	Regis & Kelly	The View	KOMO 4 News	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital	Northwest						
29	65	394	VISION	It's a New Day	Mass	Various	Various	Youngren	Credo	Various	Various	Various	7th Heaven	Amen	Martian		

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FRIDAY, JAN 13 9:00 PM
3 \*\*\* Million Dollar Baby (2004, Drama) A veteran boxing instructor undergoes a journey of redemption when he trains a female boxer. Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank (2h15)
4 \*\* Dude, Where's My Car? (2000, Comedy) Two stoners wake up from a night of partying and go in search of their missing car. Ashton Kutcher, Seann William Scott (2h)
19 \*\* A Simple Twist of Fate (1994, Comedy) A man finds purpose in life when a baby girl is abandoned by her mother at his doorstep. Steve Martin, Gabriel Byrne (1h55)
20 \*\*\* Tomorrow Never Dies (1998, Action) Agent 007 teams up with a woman to stop a crazed media baron from starting a war. Pierce Brosnan, Michelle Yeoh (3h)
9 \*\* A Star Is Born (1976, Musical) A washed-up rock star stumbles into a nightclub where he falls for an unknown singer. Barbra Streisand, Kris Kristofferson (2h30)
10:55 PM
19 \*\* The Birdcage (1996, Comedy) A man is asked to hide his lifestyle when his son brings his fiancée's family to dinner. Robin Williams, Gene Hackman (1h55)
11:15 PM
3 \*\*\* Coach Carter (2005, Drama) A basketball coach keeps his team from playing until they can improve their grades. Samuel L. Jackson, Robert Richardson Jr (2h15)
11:25 PM
2 \*\*\* Beautiful Girls (1996, Drama) A man returns home to Massachusetts to reconnect with his pals before getting married. Matt Dillon, Timothy Hutton (2h)
SATURDAY, JAN 14 6:00 PM
15 \*\* Pale Rider (1985, Action) A stranger is caught in a feud between a mining syndicate and the town's prospectors. Clint Eastwood, Michael Moriarty (2h30)
7:00 PM
3 \*\* Bride and Prejudice: Bollywood Musical (2004, Musical) Mrs. Bakshi wants her daughters to marry and tries to match them with two gentlemen. Aishwarya Rai, Martin Henderson (2h)
8:00 PM
24 \*\* The Rookie (1990, Action) A veteran cop teams up with a rookie who is plagued by guilt over his brother's death. Clint Eastwood, Charlie Sheen (2h30)
9:00 PM
3 \*\*\* In Good Company (2004, Comedy/Drama) A middle-age executive is replaced by a younger man who starts a romance with his daughter. Dennis Quaid, Topher Grace (2h)
15 \*\* Pale Rider (1985, Action) A stranger is caught in a feud between a mining syndicate and the town's prospectors. Clint Eastwood, Michael Moriarty (2h30)
19 \*\*\* My Father, the Hero (1994, Comedy) To impress the boy of her dreams, a teenage girl passes her father off as her lover. Gérard Depardieu, Katherine Heigl (1h30)
9:45 PM
14 \*\*\* One True Thing (1998, Drama) A career woman reassesses her parents' lives while caring for her cancer-stricken mother. Meryl Streep, Renee Zellweger (2h15)
10:30 PM
2 \*\*\* Topaz (1969, Political) An agent is recruited by the CIA to expose an espionage ring suspected of selling secrets. John Forsythe, Frederick Stafford (2h)
19 \*\*\* Throw Momma From the Train (1987, Comedy) A meek momma's boy and a divorced novelist agree to commit murder for the other's benefit. Billy Crystal, Danny de Vito (1h35)
SUNDAY, JAN 15 6:00 PM
14 \*\* The Bourne Identity (2002, Mystery) An amnesiac tries to piece together his mysterious past while eluding unknown assassins. Matt Damon, Franka Potente (2h30)
15 Uncle Adolf (2005, Drama) Adolf Hitler's 19-year-old half-niece became the focus of his obsessive love. Ken Stott, Christine Tremarco (2h)
7:00 PM
3 \*\*\* Dear Frankie (2004, Drama) A single mother hires a stranger to pose as a father in order to hide the truth from her son. Emily Mortimer, Jack McElhone (2h)
4 \*\*\* Space Cowboys (2000, Sci-Fi) One-time hotshot pilots are recruited by NASA to repair a damaged Russian satellite. Clint Eastwood, Tommy Lee Jones (3h)
8:00 PM
18 \*\* The Hulk (2003, Sci-Fi) An accident causes a scientist to become a giant green brute when under excessive emotional stress. Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly (3h)
23 \*\*\* Reversal of Fortune (1990, True) The story of Claus von Bulow, who was tried for the attempted murder of his rich wife. Glenn Close, Jeremy Irons (2h30)
8:30 PM
14 \*\* The Holcroft Covenant (1985, Thriller) A German general's son becomes part of a mysterious conspiracy to gain hidden Nazi funds. Michael Caine, Anthony Andrews (2h15)

# High school actors lead avant-garde extravaganza

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Acting 11/12 students from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) displayed technical prowess and exuberant charm in a rambunctious production of three absurd and experimental one-act plays last weekend.

The GISS production, *Sub\*Script\*Tion*, led off with two fascinating pieces of contemporary Canadian theatre written by Daniel MacIvor.

Never Swim Alone (1991) featured Caitlin Cunningham and Emily Myers as near-identical characters, Frankie and Billy, who compete for points of one-upmanship through 13 rounds of synchronized socializing events.

Prodding for weaknesses in each other, the two businesswomen squared off over topics such as "friendly advice," personal attire, "rumours of glory" and the status of their families and homes.

Cross-casting was surprisingly effective for a play ostensibly about testosterone-induced chest thumping. And the two young women revealed elements of "alpha female" rivalry that can be equally brutal compared to their masculine counterparts.

Accentuating the tension between the two characters, Shawn Lee played an aloof referee — based on a shared summer memory between Frankie and Billy — who rewarded successful cutting remarks in the verbal sparring matches with opportunities for each character to share a short soliloquy.

Cunningham and Myers displayed dazzling skill as they shared simultaneous (and sometimes overlapping) lines to express subtle nuances of character in this play that was punctuated with elements of comic, poetic and dramatic



LETTUCE PLAY: GISS actors, from left, Bonn Smith, Emily Little and Stephanie McMahon ham it up in *This is a Play*. Photo by Derrick Lundy

action. The audience couldn't have expected more from a professional company in this fine production.

Equally impressive was a hilarious production of MacIvor's *This is a Play*.

Emily Little, Stephanie McMahon and Bonn Smith drove the ArtSpring house into fits of laughter and howls of delight with their intentionally over-wrought performances and brilliant comic timing in MacIvor's experimental work.

With *This is a Play*, MacIvor deconstructs theatre so that the audience hears the actors' thoughts rather than the dialogue of a traditional play. Due to great acting and enthusiastic zeal, GISS students pulled off the effect with gusto.

Little, McMahon and Smith all displayed gifts for physical comedy and scene-stealing charm with their performances as second-rate actors who boost themselves with self-congratu-

latory remarks.

Between the outstanding dialogue, the actors' obvious talents and the novel premise of MacIvor's (1992) play, this one-act wonder was a slamdunk.

Unfortunately, the final piece of *Sub\*Script\*Tion* faced some tough obstacles.

Unlike the crisp contemporary Canadian writing from MacIvor, GISS students working with Eugène Ionesco's ground-breaking *The Bald Soprano* had to wade through absurd dialogue and an English setting from over 50 years ago.

Additionally, their one-act play started almost two hours into the show for a three-hour sitting, which is always a test on audiences.

However, Alex Corley, Joel Eddington, Sarah Lemky, April Mackey, Jordan Roper and Gemma Tunmore gave Ionesco's ridiculous satire and inexplicable action a rollicking good shake.

Ionesco might have had something profound to say with his absurd work that was based on a dialogue collage derived from an English as a Second Language primer, but the audience would have a tough time deciphering any kind of meaning regardless of the acting talent.

Left with little plot and meaningless dialogue, actors were forced to rely on raw talent and the GISS students carried it off with zeal.

Highlights included witty marital-type exchanges between Roper and Tunmore, and Corley and Lemky. Eddington gave an endearing showing as a flirtatious fire chief and Mackey showed great presence as a poetry-reading maid.

As language descended into absolute gibberish by the end of the play, the audience was treated to some great inexplicable action reminiscent of Saturday-morning cartoons. Personally, I'd like to see these same young actors perform again under more favourable conditions — but they looked like they were having fun.

Fans of talented GISS Acting 11/12 students will get a chance to see another daring production with the upcoming *Marat/Sade* running at 7:30 p.m. on January 19-20.



CENTRE ATTRACTION: From left, Joel Eddington, Alex Corley, April Mackey, Jordan Roper, Sarah Lemky and Gemma Tunmore rehearse a *Bald Soprano* scene. Photo by Derrick Lundy

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# COURSE CATALOG

## 1. ACADEMIC



### SPR.06.01 Geologists on a Boat:

Spend an afternoon on a fishing boat learning about the geological history of Salt Spring Island from what is visible along the shores. You can watch us catch fresh crab which we will eat at anchor in a calm bay.  
**SCHEDULING:** A Saturday or Sunday mid-June TBA (weather dependent), noon to 4 PM  
**LOCATION:** Boat leaves from the Government Wharf  
**COURSE COST:** \$120.00  
**BRING:** Life Jackets (mandatory), pot luck finger food  
**INSTRUCTORS:** Bob Francis M.A. is a retired Langara College instructor in physical geography and geology and a long term visitor/resident of Salt Spring. John Moore B.Sc., PhD. is a retired professor of geology with many years of field experience in British Columbia, the Canadian Shield and north-eastern Africa. Captain Michel Jutras, B.A. has a 500 Ton Master ticket and has plied the West Coast waters for 35 years fishing for salmon, herring, krill, roe on kelp, halibut and cod.

### SPR.06.02 Shape, Sound and Sense:

**Thinking in Poetry:**  
 Not quite everything you wanted to know about poetry, but as much as can be discovered in a few weeks. The aim is to develop appreciation for the oldest form of human expression through shared texts of instructor-chosen readings.  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Thursdays, Feb 16 to Mar 30, 7 to 9 PM. No class Mar 16  
**LOCATION:** GISS, Room S113  
**COURSE COST:** \$95.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$12.00 paid directly to Instructor  
**BRING:** Notebook, pen and *The Heath Guide to Poetry* that the Library will bring in.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Hetty Clews, a published author, has spent most of her life teaching within the contexts of Literature, Language, Theatre and Music, retiring from UVIC in 1989.

### SPR.06.03 Understanding the Human Brain:

This entertaining, and informative presentation, explores the evolution, architecture and early development of the human brain. It will also examine brain-based learning and its related gender issues. This topic is of interest to parents, teachers, students and the general public.  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday, Mar 4, 10 am to Noon  
**LOCATION:** Mormon Church  
**COURSE COST:** \$45.00  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Ken Lee is a retired Ontario Secondary School Principal living on Salt Spring Island and is an experienced educational Keynote who has motivated and entertained teachers in 6 Provinces and Territories in Canada as well as a few States in the USA. Ken also made four appearances with Peter Gzowski on CBC "Morningside".

### SPR.06.04 Science Fiction and the Environment:

Short stories and a book or two will be used to illustrate environmental principles in this course. Utopias and dystopias will be examined to help us discuss important environmental concepts and some of the choices we face as we move into the future.  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Wednesdays, Feb 15 to Mar 29, 7 to 9 PM. No Class March 15  
**LOCATION:** GISS, Room N108  
**COURSE COST:** \$45.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$8.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**BRING:** Notebook and pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Dick McNeil is professor emeritus at Cornell University. He has worked in many countries on wildlife biology, international environmental studies and environmental conservation.



## 2. THE ARTS

### SPR.06.05 Basketry: Contemporary Cat Head Basket:

The "cat head" basket is one of the most recognizable forms of Shaker baskets. Its name comes from its shape because when it is turned upside down the basket looks like a cat's head with ears. Using natural weavers on natural or coloured spokes, the basket is twilled to reveal a spiral pattern. The basket can be embellished with curly willow, wisteria, honeysuckle or other natural materials giving the symmetrical shape a contemporary finish.  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday, March 4, 9 AM to 5 PM  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's Studio  
**COURSE COST:** \$75.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$25.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**BRING:** (instructor will have extras): scissors, diagonal cutters for reed, small needle nose pliers, small awl, measuring tape, clothes pegs, bucket and towel, blunt needle with large eye, (NB some dye from reed may stain clothing, so dress accordingly). Notebook and pen.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Donna Cochran is a basket maker and basketry teacher whose passion for basketry evolved over twenty years of international development work throughout Africa, the Middle East and Latin America. Since moving to Salt Spring in 1995, she has been exploring traditional and contemporary basketry techniques, teaching workshops and exhibiting and is a founding member of the Salt Spring Basketry Guild.

### SPR.06 Every Writer Needs an Editor.

Like it or not an editor plays a pivotal role in the writing process. Bring a short story (max.1500 words) preferably completed that can be read aloud, following which we will discuss its strengths and weaknesses. It will have both - as does any early draft. Participants, along with the instructor, will discuss ways in which the work might be improved and hopefully, made publishable. These informal sessions are intended to be fun as well as instructive.  
**SCHEDULING:** 4 Tuesdays, Feb 14 to Mar 7, 7 to 9 PM  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's home  
**COURSE COST:** \$85.00  
**BRING:** Notebook and pen and works in progress or completed.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Pat Gould is a many times published short story (fiction/non-fiction) writer. Her work has appeared in Reader's Digest, (multiple), Globe and Mail, Vancouver Sun and other established magazines and newspapers.

### SPR.06.07 Free Your Imagination to Create Plot and Structure for a Novel:

Practice setting your mind free to begin step-by-step in depth development of a plot line. Lots of practice writing and you will be given guidelines for creating structure in a novel. Volunteer reading from your work.  
**SCHEDULING:** 8 Thursdays, Feb 16 to Apr 6, 1 to 4 PM.  
**LOCATION:** Mormon Church  
**COURSE COST:** \$140.00  
**BRING:** 2 bound notebooks with pen or pencils  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Pearl Gray has a degree in Art History and two years of teacher training from U of Alberta. She is co-author of the travel book "Salt Spring Island: A Place to be" and is currently working on an historical novel.

### SPR.06.08 Knitting: Austrian Cable and Travelling Stitch Socks:

Learn to read knitting graphs and crossed stitches without using a cable needle, and create yourself a pair of perfect fitting socks. This is not for beginners...students must be comfortable knitting with four needles.  
**SCHEDULING:** 4 Sundays, Mar 5 to 26, 1 to 4 PM  
**LOCATION:** Stitches, Hereford Ave.  
**COURSE COST:** \$85.00  
**BRING:** notebook, pen, small ball of 4 ply yarn for sample work, and two 50 gram balls of light, plain coloured 4 ply sock yarn and a set of four sock needles 2.25 mm or 2.50 mm.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Nell Bushby has lived on Salt Spring Island for thirty years and is a passionate sock knitter. The pattern for her Austrian knee socks was published in the book 'Socks, Socks, Socks'. She is working on and planning to complete, a 'Wall of Socks' exhibit which seems to grow bigger year by year.

## 3. COMPUTERS

### SPR.06.09 Excel 1 & 2:

Bookkeeping for family finances, bank accounts, investments, income tax returns, collections and ideas are all daily facts of our lives and can be efficiently and easily tracked. You will learn to perform the basics of Excel, such as entering and editing information, performing basic calculations, functions, formulas, formatting spreadsheets and managing data.  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Mondays, Feb 6 to Mar 20, 7 to 9 PM. No class Mar 13  
**LOCATION:** GISS computer lab, room S111  
**COURSE COST:** \$140.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$15.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Phillip Benson brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in both teaching and computer skills. Phillip uses a one-on-one teaching model whereby students proceed at their own rate.



### SPR.06.10 Email and Surfing the Net:

Learn to send and receive emails and explore the World Wide Web for enjoyment and information. Phillip will provide one-on-one instruction to accommodate each learner's particular needs and level of experience. You will get plenty of practice and encouragement!  
**SCHEDULING:** 2 Thursdays, Feb 9 and 16, 7 to 9 PM  
**LOCATION:** GISS computer lab, room S111  
**COURSE COST:** \$60.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$4.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Phillip Benson: see above

### SPR.06.11 Word 1 and II: Learn at Your Own Pace!

Would you describe your learning of Word as 'trial and error'? If you want to learn the right way, or if you have had experience or training, this course will add to your knowledge. He will provide one-on-one instruction in a small class to accommodate each learner's particular needs and level of experience. The course offers principles of word-processing that are involved in creating, editing, printing and storing text, and more. You will get plenty of practice and encouragement!  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Tuesdays, Feb 7 to Mar 21, 7 to 9 PM. No class March 14th  
**LOCATION:** GISS computer lab, room S111  
**COURSE COST:** \$140.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$15.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Phillip Benson: see above

### SPR.06.12 Investment Research on the Internet:

There are considerable resources available on the Internet to help people who wish to get ideas about investments, check on their investments or actively manage their own investments. This lecture/demonstration discussion course is intended to help people get started to take advantage of the information available and shorten their "learning curves" for Internet investing.  
**SCHEDULING:** 4 Thursdays, Feb 9 to Mar 2, 7 to 9 PM  
**LOCATION:** GISS computer lab, room S115  
**COURSE COST:** \$105.00  
**BRING:** Notebook and pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Denis Russell is a retired civil engineer who wishes that he had learned more about investing years ago. However, it's better late than never. Since coming to Salt Spring he has taken advantage of the internet and made many mistakes. However, he has accumulated knowledge relevant to investing - and has identified useful sites, approaches and sources of information.



## 4. HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### SPR.06.13 Reversing Type II Diabetes:

**Reversing Diabetes:**  
 Learn what you can do to reverse Type II Diabetes, Syndrome X, or Pre-Diabetes, and improve Diabetes I. We will examine insulin and insulin resistance, and the powerful roles of fats and sugars. The associated conditions of high blood pressure, retinopathy, neuropathy and weight gain will be discussed. A simple diet you can live with, helpful exercises, nutritional alternatives, and effective supplements will be presented. When you eliminate the destructive nutrients and supply the cells of your body with the nutrients they need, your body functions as it was designed to function.  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Thursdays, Feb 16 to March 30, 1 to 3 PM No Class Mar 16  
**LOCATION:** Mormon Church  
**COURSE COST:** \$95.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$5.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**TOOLS:** 3 Ring Binder, notepaper and pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Sandra Lee is a Doctor of Natural Medicine, certified by the Examining Board of Natural Medicine Practitioners in Ottawa. She has been practicing cellular medicine since 1975. All treatment is based on clinical evidence as reported in leading peer reviewed medical journals on Pub Med and CMAJ.

### SPR.06.14 Wilderness First Aid:

**The 'Must Knows' of Wilderness First Aid:**  
 Ideally suited to anyone who lives, plays in remote areas and where environmental medical attention is difficult to access, teaching progression combines in resource use and improvisation to in challenging practical sessions a simulations. Topics include the pre assessment, and treatment of common environmental injuries and illness, personal pre-trip and remote travel planning. Learn how to plan and in the treatment and evacuation of p limited first aid supplies and mate CPR component will be Friday after  
**SCHEDULING:** Friday Mar 23, 1 to 5 PM Mar 24/25, 9 AM to 4:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** ArtSpring Multi Purpose R  
**COURSE COST:** \$175.00  
**BRING:** Please read receipt very care clothing requirements etc.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Slipstream Adventures I founded in 1990. The Company ha be one of the most sought after re: Wilderness education programs. Th qualified, well trained staff and the have a strong combination of outdi skills, first aid training and teachin Each has undergone extensive trai aid and instructional skills.

### SPR.06.15 Yoga: Keeping It Simple:

You may not learn how to stand on wrap your leg behind your neck, le perform magic tricks, but you will l of the principles behind this ancie of health and well-being. Simple s breathing techniques and concent exercises will assist in creating a s lightness in the body and peaceful mind. Please wear comfortable clo  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Saturdays, Mar 4 to Ap 1 to 2:15 PM  
**LOCATION:** Ganges Yoga Studio, Upper Grace Point Square  
**COURSE COST:** \$75.00  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Celeste Mallet, Owner a of Ganges Yoga Studio has 25 year experience, 13 of them on SSI. Sh to all levels and is particularly enc seniors and beginners in Yoga prac

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**COURSE COSTS:** \$40.00  
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and instructions).

### - Online:

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**SPR.06.17 Beginning Organic Gardening:**  
 This is a hands-on workshop for beginners and gardeners who are new to growing vegetables and fruit in the west coast climate. We will cover compost and soil preparation; designing garden beds; mulching and watering; starting seeds and transplanting; choosing vegetable and fruit varieties and dealing with common pests. The emphasis will be on how to grow the greatest amount of delicious, organic food in a small garden—for the least amount of work.  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday Apr 22, 10 AM to 4 PM  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's garden  
**COURSE COSTS:** \$60.00  
**BRING:** A bag lunch and if it is wet, boots.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Linda Gilkeson Ph.D. An avid gardener all her life, Linda earned her Ph.D. in entomology and worked for a company rearing beneficial insects. She developed the "Year Round Harvest" course to spread the word on simple ways to have fresh produce all year. Currently Linda is the Past President of the SS Garden Club.



**SPR.06.18 Tropical Gardening Here on the Rock:**  
 Have you noticed the palm trees on SSI? Many of them were planted and nurtured by Joe Clemente. Here is the course on exotic plants you can grow to create a year round tropical feel in your garden – right here on Salt Spring with "Banana Joe".  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday, April 29, 10 AM to noon  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's home garden  
**COURSE COST:** \$40.00  
**BRING:** notebook and pen.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Joe Clemente has been a lover of palm trees most of his life. For the past two decades he has been growing hardy palms and exotic plants in his own garden.

**SPR.06.19 Refurbish A Dining Room Chair:**  
 How many of you have some dining room chairs and that need a little fabric, a little time, a little energy and a little know-how. With a few tools to restore and redecorate, we will do a complete refinishing, re-gluing, repair, and recovering for a dining room chair or other small occasional chair and then you can do the rest of the set!  
**SCHEDULING:** 3 Sundays, Feb 19, 26, and Mar 5, 9 AM to noon.  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's home.  
**COURSE COST:** \$100.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$10.00 + cost for chosen upholstery material (will vary) paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Cayt McGuire. Cayt's first job when she arrived on Salt Spring in 1984 was as a helper to Master Woodworker, Ilyd Perkins, where she learned the basics of furniture construction and finishing, as well as traditional rushing, caning, and weaving chair seats. Having worked with fabric for most of her life, and having learned to work with wood more recently, the jump to upholstering and repairing furniture, was a very small one... it's like making designer clothes for your furniture".

**6. LANGUAGES**  
**SPR.06.20 We Talk: English as a Second Language:**  
 Now is your opportunity to speak English in a low stress atmosphere. Talking will be practiced in pairs, with some enjoyable games and small group discussions. Lessons are generally tailored to suit the needs of each participant. You will gain confidence in your special ability to communicate in the English language. Teens and adults are invited to participate. Beginners are welcome.  
**SCHEDULING:** 8 Tuesdays, Feb 21 to Apr 18, 7 to 9 PM No Class March 14  
**LOCATION:** GISS room N108  
**COURSE COST:** \$115.00  
**BRING:** Notebook & pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Susan Bracher, B.A., B.Ed., M.F.A. is a B.C. Certified English and Drama teacher with a Master's Degree in Fine Arts and 25 years of teaching experience - tutoring International Students on Salt Spring Island.

**SPR.06.21 Conversational French:**  
 This is an intermediate course for people who haven't used French for some time. With emphasis on speaking and understanding, a pot-pouri of language stimulating activities will be used to produce rapid recall and extension of skills. Games, simulations, listening and telling stories, looking at francophone culture while working on pronunciation and diction will be the prime methodology used. Because language is a living thing, participants should be forgiving of themselves and approach this course as they would a visit to Quebec or France – for the joy of it! Pre requisite: High School French even if it was years ago.  
**SCHEDULING:** 8 Wednesdays, Feb 8 to Apr 5, 7 to 9 PM. No Class Mar 15  
**LOCATION:** GISS room S113  
**COURSE COST:** \$115.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$2.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Irene Wright taught French in the Gulf Islands School District for the better part of 30 years, initiated and developed an Elementary Core French (K-7) and Late French Immersion (6 - 12). She was District French Coordinator and then was seconded to serve as coordinator for provincial Immersion Programs for the Ministry of Education for the 5 years prior to her retirement.

**SPR.06.22 Intermediate Spanish:**  
 For those that have taken the previous courses with Javiera or for folks who have "mas Espanol". Javiera teaches in a unique way to add to your confidence with the language.  
**SCHEDULING:** 10 Saturdays, Feb 4 to Apr 8, 9:30 to 11:30 AM  
**LOCATION:** Fulford Hall OAP Room  
**COURSE COST:** \$125.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$12.00 paid directly to instructor or purchase the book *Margarita Madrigal's Guide to Spanish*.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Javiera Lara-Faura was born in Chile, and Spanish is her first language. She has travelled in many Spanish-speaking countries. Javiera has lived on Salt Spring for the last six years, is a Spanish tutor, and uses a creative teaching model.



**8. LEISURE**  
**SPR.06.23 Cooking: Dim Sum:**  
 These are small snacks usually containing meat, often cooked by steaming or stir-frying. Students will participate in the making of these snacks and will finish the day with a hearty meal. They will be given recipes for each of the 8 courses as well as general information about Chinese cooking techniques and ingredients.  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday, Mar 11, 1 to 4 PM  
**LOCATION:** Instructor's home  
**COURSE COST:** \$50.00  
**GROCERIES:** \$10.00 paid directly to instructor  
**BRING:** An apron, notebook and pen and an appetite.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Susan Paynter is a retired Home Economics teacher and has spent her career introducing students to the pleasure of preparing and eating food from different cultures and encourages students to participate in preparation, eating and having fun.

**SPR.06.24 Cooking: Italian:**  
 The menu will include Pesto Genovese, Petti Pollo Yolans, Bolognese Sauce a la Josephine, Cassata Siciliana and Tagliatelle Verde. Sound wonderful? Come and cook with Linda and stay to enjoy an Italian feast.  
**SCHEDULING:** Monday, Mar 27, 4 to 7 PM  
**LOCATION:** The Barn, 190 Reynolds Rd.  
**COURSE COST:** \$50.00  
**GROCERIES:** \$15.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**BRING:** An apron, a notebook and pen and an appetite.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Linda Korascil, the well-known owner of LOVE MY KITCHEN, contributes a food column to the Driftwood. We know she is a great cook, and students have lots of fun. This idea comes from a course Linda took shortly after the unveiling of the Castle on Beddis Rd.

**SPR.06.25 Intermediate Bridge:**  
 A detailed course, George will start with Stayman and work up to more sophisticated systems. He will also stress the theory and play of defence along with "lead directing" signals as well as squeeze plays and end plays. Students will play "Swiss Teams" again - perhaps the most fun part of bridge competition.  
**SCHEDULING:** 8 Thursdays, Feb 9 to Mar 30, 1 to 3 PM  
**LOCATION:** SSI Golf Club  
**COURSE COST:** \$100.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$5.00 paid directly to instructor.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** George Laundry is an experienced bridge teacher, and has been a long-time bridge master and tournament "junkie" at the national level. NOTE: Please be prepared to find a spare if you miss a session.



**SPR.06.26 The Joy of Winemaking:**  
 All you need to know to make wine at home from the abundance of fruit in your garden. Equipment and work space requirements, techniques for fresh fruits, juice and kits, fermentation, maturation and aging, fining and filtration, bottling and storage will all be covered as well as additives. Problems with sulphite, acid and oxidation will be discussed.  
**SCHEDULING:** Saturday, Mar 4, 9:30AM to Noon  
**LOCATION:** SSE Community Room  
**COURSE COST:** \$40.00  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Harvey Moore has been winemaking since the 60's in England and then later in Canada. He now runs a U - Vin operation on Salt Spring.

**9. SMALL BUSINESS**  
**SPR.06.27 Business Bookkeeping on Computer:**  
 To help in understanding bookkeeping we will start with handwritten double entries, then progress in the second week to keeping your books in Quicken, a user-friendly, auto-entry program that will give you reports each month and at year end to take to your accountant for income tax. Perfect for B&B owners or other small business operators. The last evening Frank Moore will instruct "Creating a Business Plan." The Outline: Why you need one, what it looks like, and how you actually go about writing one will be examined. We'll talk about things like product planning, target markets, financials, implementation plans and we'll even do a thumb-nail plan for an existing on island business or someone's new business idea. Learn about web site resources for additional assistance. The goal will be to demystify business plans and the planning process.  
**SCHEDULING:** 6 Tuesdays, Mar 7 to Apr 18, 7 to 9 pm. No class Mar 14  
**LOCATION:** GISS computer lab, room S115  
**COURSE COST:** \$125.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$4.00 paid directly to instructor  
**BRING:** Laptop computer helpful but not necessary. Notebook and pen.  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Libby Jutras, a Salt Spring resident for over 20 years has been keeping books the past 30 years in management positions for large corporations and her personally owned small businesses. Frank Moore, BSc, MBA has more than 20 years Business Development, Marketing and Sales Experience in start-up through to large size corporations

**10. SPIRITUAL**  
**SPR.06.28 Shamanism:**  
 Is a spiritual base of many of the world's religions and is still practiced throughout the world today. We look at shamanism historically and cross-culturally in traditions in which I have worked as an anthropologist - Celtic, Siberian, North American and Himalayan traditions. We will also explore rituals and practices in core shamanism, learning techniques that can be incorporated into our daily lives. A reading list will be available upon registration.  
**SCHEDULING:** 4 Thursday, Feb 23 to Mar 23, 7 to 9 PM. No Class Mar 16  
**LOCATION:** GISS room N108  
**COURSE COST:** \$75.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$8.00 paid directly to instructor  
**BRING:** Notebook and pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Marilyn Walker, PhD is a medical anthropologist and ethnobotanist. Her interests in shamanism have been personal as well as academic. A founding member of the Society for Shamanic Practitioners and a member of the Society for the Anthropology of Religion, she has given papers and workshops nationally and internationally.

**SPR.06.29 Death and Dying from an Anthropological Perspective:**  
 A cross cultural examination of attitudes and beliefs about death and dying; and a personal exploration of what death and dying means to each of us individually.  
**SCHEDULING:** 4 Thursday, Mar 30 to Apr 20, 7 to 9 PM  
**LOCATION:** GISS room N108  
**COURSE COST:** \$75.00  
**MATERIALS:** \$4.00 paid directly to instructor  
**BRING:** Notebook and pen  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Marilyn Walker, PhD is a medical anthropologist who has explored death and dying in many cultures, including her own. She has accompanied close family members on their transition and incorporates video footage from recently made films made on death and dying.

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# Murakami film hits TV, Vancouver

A film featuring respected islander Kimiko Murakami will get its west coast premier at the Vancouver Museum on January 12 before it hits Channel M on January 22.

Kimiko Murakami: Triumph Over Internment by Susan

Poizner is part of a series of 13 films called Mother Tongue that highlight contributions by ethnic women to Canadian history.

When Poizner was conducting research she found that Kimiko Murakami fit all the criteria for her project.

"I was looking for the story of a remarkable woman from the Japanese-Canadian community, somebody who made a difference in the community," said Poizner.

"Kimiko's story just jumped out at me. She sounded like an inspiring woman — just an incredible woman who we could all learn from."

And then Poizner learned more about Kimiko Murakami through interviews with her daughters Rose Murakami and Mary Kitigawa.

"We told the story of her being born in Steveston, the first Japanese-Canadian woman to be born there, and the struggles her parents had to establish themselves in the country where they didn't speak the language."

Poizner followed Murakami's story as she moved to Salt Spring and formed a beautiful successful farm.

"Of course, then we covered what happened to her in the war. It's clear that Kimiko Murakami and her family weren't the only people to suffer. Thousands and



Kimiko Murakami photo forms part of film.

thousands of Japanese-Canadians suffered."

But the Murakami story puts a human face to a historical tragedy that is otherwise difficult to fathom.

"When you tell the story of one woman and see how it affected her family, it's more personal and more real to the viewer."

As a Toronto-based filmmaker, Poizner first became interested in the idea of making films about ethnic diversity when she returned to Canada after living in Europe.

"I'm from a Jewish communi-

ty. I grew up with this misconception that Canadian history was just the story of the English and the French. I somehow felt that my family and my community; they were just the visitors and they had no role to play."

Investigation for her project proved Poizner wrong, she said.

She plans to attend a launch of her Mother Tongue series with an airing of Kimiko Murakami: Triumph Over Internment and Mary Lee Chan: Taking on City Hall at the Vancouver Museum on January 12.

Starting on Sunday January 15 at 10 p.m., Channel M will show one episode of the series each week (shows are 22 minutes long). Kimiko Murakami: Triumph Over Internment is set to air Sunday, January 22 at 10 p.m. The multicultural-focussed Channel M can be found on Cable 10 in Victoria, Channel 254 on Bell ExpressVu and Channel 42 on UHF.

For more information about Poizner's series, check her website (www.mothersong.ca).

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## Christmas story funds boost Malawi school attendance

Twenty children at Kasina School in the Linthipe/Lilongwe area of Malawi will be able to attend school thanks to students in Stacia Kennedy's class at Fulford Community School.

Every child in Kennedy's class wrote a story for the Driftwood's annual Christmas story contest, which made them eligible to win

\$100 for a charity of their choice from Driftwood Publishing Ltd.

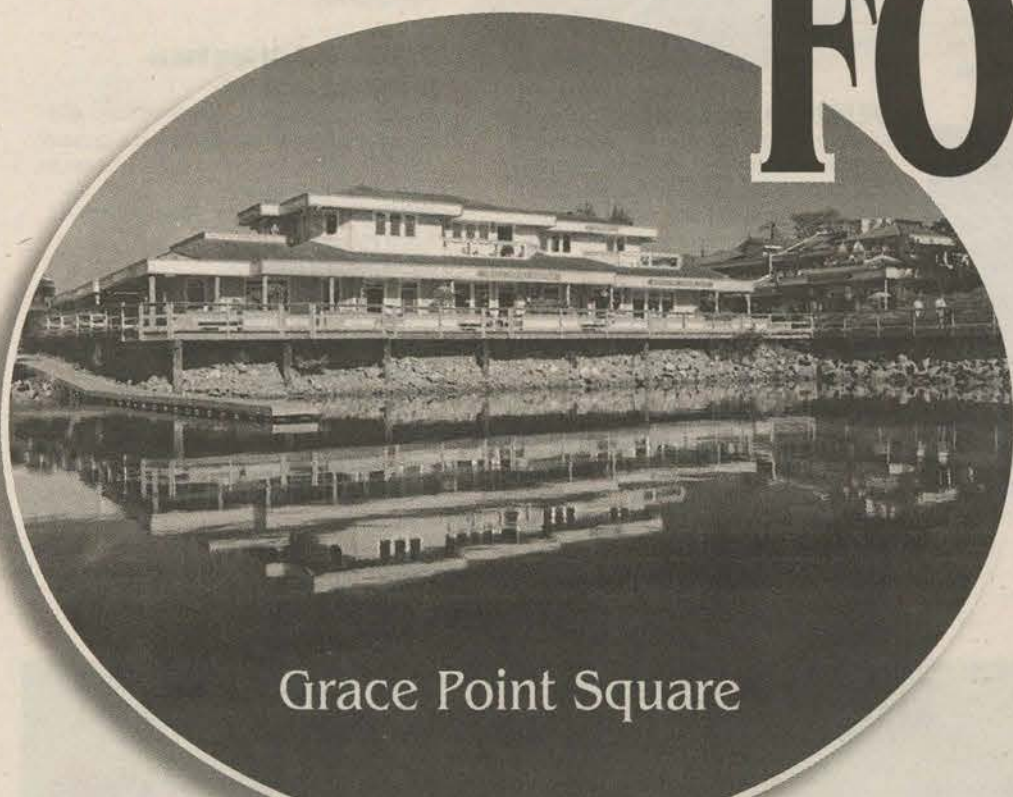
Their class won the draw among five other Salt Spring classes achieving the same goal.

"We will be donating this money to a school in Malawi, Africa for which Fulford school is currently fundraising," reports Kennedy.

"Each child in this school must have a school uniform in order to attend school and our contribution will pay for 20 uniforms."

Fulford school has already raised more than \$600 to buy much-needed school supplies for the Malawi students, said Kennedy.

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120	702	SRC	Raconote.	Henri	Le roi	Lyoko	Le Jour du Seigneur	Couillises	pouvoir	Journal	La semaine verte	Regard	Illes insp.	Histoires	Emma	
268	354	KNOW	George	MagicBus	Arthur	Padding.	Piggley	45 MissBG	Swap TV	CG Kids	Outta	Beckham	Inventors Special	Canada: History	B. Clues	Dora
253	359	CITY	CityLine		Cooks	Goodfeet	Negararesh	Television	Count.	Fashion	Ethnosonic	The Story Of...	Listed	INSIDE	Paid	
620	523	BRAVO	7:15 Dance With Me			That's Entertainment III			45 Save the Last Dance Sean	Patrick Thomas.			Inside Actors Studio	Antiques	Ghost	
522	506	HIST	7:00 Guadalcanal Diary...		Disasters of Cent.	The British Empire			The Big Red One (1980) Lee Marvin.				Disasters	Battlefield Britain	Band of Brothers	
521	560	TLC	While You Were Out	Trading Spaces	Trading Spaces	Trading Spaces	Ice Diaries	Ice Diaries	Ice Diaries	Hot Pursuit			Miami Ink: Hawaii	Miami Ink		
557	541	FAM	15 SuiteL.	40 Zoey101	10 Raven	40 Phil	10 Stevens	Boy MW	05 Ned	Brotherly	Magic Island	Lee Armstrong.	Houseguest (1994) Sinbad.	SmartG.	50 Suite L.	
615	520	A&E	24		Fight Like a Girl				Rollergirls	Rollergirls	House	House	Design	House	House	
400	400	TSN	NFL Countdown			Basketball NBA New York vs Toronto			Golf Sony Open PGA					Sportscentre		
407	419	RSP	Sportsnet News	Curl TV	Fish TV	Skiing Alpine FIS	Skiing	Sac. Ride	Hockey CHL	Victoriaville Tigers vs. Gatineau Olympiques			Sportsnet News			
22		KSTW	Jack Holt	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Urban Cowboy (1980) John Travolta.			
24		KVOS	APNA TV	Paid	Hour of Power	Day Disc.	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	The Twilight Zone	The Spy Who Came in From the Cold		
290	382	KCPQ	FOX News Sunday	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	L.Sports	Gameday	Sunday	Football NFC Divisional Playoff NFL Teams TBA				
502	390	NEWS	CBC News: Today	Ballot	Aboriginal	CBC News: Today	Antiques Roadshow	CBC News: Sunday					Hemisph.	Business	News	Ballot
289	381	KIRO	7:30 Sunday Morning	The NFL Today	Football AFC Divisional Playoffs NFL Teams TBA								Basketball NCAA Mich. St./Ohio St.	Paid		
288	380	KOMO	6:00 News	This Week	Animal R.	Paid	Paid	Ref. Off the Ice	Paid	Figure Skating Spectacular			NBA Ins	Paid		
65	394	VISION	Islam	Hour of Power	J. Meyer	Living Truth	Faith Live	Food Life	Bible	700 Club	Nations	KeyDavid	Potter's	World		Ministries

**SUNDAY, JAN 15**  
9:00 PM  
**6 27 Jesse Stone: Night Passage (2006, Drama)** The police chief of a small New England town must face his past after a series of murders. *Tom Selleck, Stephen Baldwin (2h)*  
**15 Uncle Adolf (2005, Drama)** Adolf Hitler's 19-year-old half-niece became the focus of his obsessive love. *Ken Stott, Christine Tremarco (2h)*  
**19 33 Benny and Joon (1993, Romance)** A misfit who shelters his mentally ill sister stumbles onto the perfect companion for her. *Johnny Depp, Mary Stuart Masterson (1h30)*  
10:00 PM  
**3 33 The Phantom of the Opera (2004, Musical)** A disgraced composer terrorizes an opera house and falls in love with a chorus girl. *Gerard Butler, Emmy Rossum (2h30)*  
10:30 PM  
**19 33 Nobody's Perfect (1989, Comedy)** A shy young man wants to befriend an attractive girl at the new college he is attending. *Chad Lowe, Gail O'Grady (1h30)*  
11:00 PM  
**14 33 Scarface (1983, Crime Story)** A Cuban refugee pursues the American dream by moving to the top of the Florida drug trade. *Al Pacino, Michelle Pfeiffer (3h15)*  
11:30 PM  
**10 Gare centrale (1998, Drame psychologique)** Une écrivaine conduit un pauvre gamin chez son père à l'autre bout du Brésil. *Fernanda Montenegro, Vinicius de Oliveira (1h50)*  
**MONDAY, JAN 16**  
6:00 PM  
**3 Criminal Intent (2005, Crime Story)** A wealthy banker seeks out his ex-wife's divorce lawyer after he is accused of murder. *Linda Purl, Vanessa Angel (2h)*  
8:00 PM  
**2 Whatever Love Means (2005, Biography)** The complex story of the early days of Prince Charles and Camilla's love affair. *Laurence Fox, Olivia Poulet (2h)*  
**24 Let it Ride (1989, Comedy)** A cab driver gets a hot tip on a horse and finds himself on a gambling hot streak. *Richard Dreyfuss, Teri Garr (2h)*  
11:00 PM  
**3 33 American Wedding (2003, Comedy)** After proposing to Michelle, Jim enlists help from his friends to prepare for the big day. *Jason Biggs, Alyson Hannigan (2h)*  
**TUESDAY, JAN 17**  
7:00 PM  
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257	308	CBC	Shoebbox Zoo		Freaky Friday (2003) Jamie Lee Curtis.		Market P.	25 Venture	Miss Marple				CBC News: Sunday	Reflect.	Skiing	
320	621	MC	3 Friday Night Lights		Be Cool (2005) John Travolta.		Dear Frankie (P) (2004) Emily Mortimer.		The L. Word				The Phantom of the Opera			
256		CITY	Drowning Mona (2000) Bette Midler.		The Invisible Man		Space Cowboys (2000) Clint Eastwood.		Missing				INSIDE	Skiing		
287	379	KING	Matthews Upfront		KING 5 News		News	News	Dateline NBC	The West Wing	Law & Order: C.I.	Crossing Jordan	News	Sports		
255	358	CH	Myst.Ink	BodyH'lth	CH News		Ins.Ent.	2Chance	Makeover: Home	Makeover: Home	Jesse Stone: Night Passage (P)		News	Ins.Ent.		
250	321	CTVBC	Invasion		Twins	Acc.Jim	News		Law & Order: C.I.	Cold Case	Housewives		Grey's Anatomy	News	News	
251	336	GBLBC	13:00 Football O. Bounds		Simpsons	News			King Hill	King Hill	24 (SP) Pt. 1 of 2 cont'd Jan 16		Crossing Jordan	News	35 Caitlin	
291	383	KCTS	Egypt's Empire		Egypt's Empire		O.House	HomeT.	Antiques Roadshow	Nature			Masterpiece 2/2 from Jan 8	Dr. Wayne Dyer		
120	702	SRC	3:00 Emma Gwyneth		Paltrow.	5 sur 5	Journal	Découverte	Lafaque	Gala Excellence			Journal	Pleins feux		Cinéma
268	354	KNOW	20 Timothy	Madeline	George	35 Zoboo	Heartbeat		National Geographic	The Royal		New Tricks	100 Great Disc.	Baghdad	Imprint	
253	359	CITY	World Poker Tour		News	ColourTV	Movie TV	Star TV	The Hulk (2003) Eric Bana.				Sex TV	Pink...		
620	523	BRAVO	ArtsMinds	Photos	House Calls		The Bourne Identity (2002) Matt Damon.		The Holcroft Covenant	Michael Caine.	45BINews		Scarface	Al Pacino.		
522	506	HIST	Zero Hour		Die for the Fuhrer		Uncle Adolf (2005) Ken Stott.		Die for the Fuhrer	Uncle Adolf (2005) Ken Stott.			Die for the Fuhrer			
521	560	TLC	The Repossessors		Repossessors 2		David Blaine: Street		Magic Man	Repossessors 2	David Blaine: Street	Magic Man	David Blaine			
557	541	FAM	15 Proud	45 Fillmore	10 Maggie	35 Kim P.	05 Sadie	Darcy	SoRaven	45 Roscoe	18 Rules	44 Movies	Benny and Joon	Nobody's Perfect		
615	520	A&E	24		Jonesboro Ambush		The First 48		Intervention	CSI: Miami	Jonesboro Ambush	The First 48	Intervention			
400	400	TSN	Golf Sony Open PGA				NFLPrime	Sportscentre					Tennis Australian Open			Sportscentre
407	419	RSP	Hockey NHL Calgary Hitmen vs. Lethbridge Hurricanes				Sportsnet News		Billiards U.S. 9-Ball	Poker Canadian Tour	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News	Sportsnet News			
22		KSTW	2:00 Urban Cowboy		Queens	Queens	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	70s	70s	CSI: Crime Scene	24	Farscape			
24		KVOS	Business	Paid	S.Susan	Problem	Child John Ritter.		Serve & Protect	Reversal of Fortune (1990) Glenn Close.		Queens	Cheers	S.Susan		
290	382	KCPQ	13:00 Football NFC NFL		Gameday		Raymond	Friends	King Hill	King Hill	24 (SP) Pt. 1 of 2 cont'd Jan 16		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	Stars	WildA.	News	News	News	News	60 Minutes	Cold Case	Jesse Stone: Night Passage (P)		News	AccessH		
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65	394	VISION	Day Disc.	VanImpe	Jeremiah	Spirit	Songs	Facts	Love	D.Hope	Miracle	Power	P. Popoff	Armor	Songs	Q.Places

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320	621	MC	Movie	D.E.B.S. (2003) Shanti Lowry.			Criminal Intent (2005) Linda Purl.		Sleeper Cell		Stargate Atlantis	G-Spot	G-Spot	American Wedding		
256		CITY	Daily	Inside Ed.	A-Channel News		Fortune	Jeopardy	7th Heaven		Smallville	Snow Walker	News	35 Daily		
287	379	KING	Oprah Winfrey		KING News		News	News	Golden Globe		The 63rd Annual Golden Globe Awards		News	35 J.Leno		
255	358	CH	Days of Our Lives		CH News		News		Homes	70s	Queens	Mother	Half Men	Practice	Doc	News
250	321	CTVBC	Tyra Banks Show		CTV News		News		eTalk	Access	The 63rd Annual Golden Globe Awards		News	News		
251	336	GBLBC	Oprah Winfrey		News	National	News		ET	ET Can.	24 Pt. 2 of 2 from Jan 15		Love Monkey (P)	News		
291	383	KCTS	Arthur	Maya&M.	Cyberch.	Business	News		Classics	Antiques	Antiques Roadshow		American Experience			In Wild
120	702	SRC	La fosse aux lionnes		Véro	Union	Journal	Zig Zag	Virginie	Rumeurs	Auberger chien noir		Bougon	Minuit	Téléjournal/Point	Journal
268	354	KNOW	Dora	RolieP.	George	Peep	Science	Moving	Time	Gardens	Fighting Their Fears		Struggle for Control	Living With ADHD	Canada: History	
253	359	CITY	CityLine		Ellen DeGeneres		News		Million?	Friends	Stargate: SG-1		Celebrity Bad Girls	The Bachelor: Paris	News	35 J.Leno
620	523	BRAVO	Videos	Streecar	Half a Sixpence (1967) Tommy Steele.				Law & Order		Sex&City	45 Sex and the City	BI News	45 Sex&City	Sex&City	
522	506	HIST	JAG		Zero Hour		Full Throttle		Turning Points		JAG		Zero Hour	Full Throttle	China Beach	
521	560	TLC	Untold Stories		Untold Stories		Untold Stories		Untold Stories		Untold Stories		Untold Stories		Untold Stories	
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
615	520	A&E	Cold Case Files		Flip This House		Intervention		Rollergirls		Crossing Jordan		Flip This House	Intervention	Rollergirls	
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22		KSTW	WifeKids	Bernie M.	WifeKids	Bernie M.	Queens	Queens	Seinfeld	70s	OneOne All Of Us	Girlfriend	Half&Half	SouthPk	SouthPk	SouthPk
24		KVOS	Montel Williams		F.Feud	Yes, Dear	Elimidate	Elimidate	Becker	Queens	Let it Ride (1989) Richard Dreyfuss.		W&Grace	Queens</		

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wed. january 11	thurs. january 12	fri. january 13	sat. january 14	sun. january 15	mon. january 16	tues. january 17	wed. january 18
<b>live entertainment</b> <b>Simply Organic.</b> Barry Valentine organ recital, followed by muffic & coffee at All Saints, 10:10 am <b>Wednesday Nite Live.</b> With host Gene Grooms at Moby's Pub, 8-11 pm	<b>live entertainment</b> <b>One Night Stand with Tom &amp; Matt.</b> Shipstones, 8:30 pm <b>Black Velvet Band.</b> At Tree House South. <b>other activities</b> <b>SSI Weavers &amp; Spinners Guild.</b> Show, ask & tell. ArtSpring, 10:30-noon. <b>Beaver Pt. Scottish Country Dancing.</b> Starts today at Beaver Pt. Hall, 7 pm. Info: Pat, 537-0087. <b>SSI Public Library Association.</b> General meeting of members at the library, 4 pm <b>SIPS Meeting.</b> Portlock Park, 7 pm	<b>live entertainment</b> <b>Planet Music.</b> At Moby's Pub, 9 p.m. to midnight. <b>DJ Night with Interchill &amp; Guests.</b> Shipstones, 8 pm <b>Sundogs.</b> At Tree House South. <b>Sunyata.</b> Play at Barb's Buns. <b>other activities</b> <b>Rollerblading to Music.</b> All ages at Fulford Hall, 7:30-9 pm	<b>live entertainment</b> <b>Dance Party with DJ Matt.</b> At Moby's Pub <b>DJ Night.</b> Features local & visiting DJs. Shipstones, 8 pm <b>Karaoke Contest.</b> At the Legion, 7:30 pm <b>Tom Hooper.</b> At Tree House South. <b>other activities</b> <b>Gypsy Moth Spray.</b> Organizational meeting for responses at Fulford Hall, 9:30 am	<b>live entertainment</b> <b>Sunday Nite Jazz.</b> With host Lloyd English at Moby's Pub, 8-11 pm <b>other activities</b> <b>Getting them Through the Doors.</b> Workshop on building and retaining audiences. ArtSpring, 1:30-4:30 pm	<b>other activities</b> <b>GISS Music Program.</b> Show at ArtSpring, 7:30 pm <b>Floor Hockey.</b> Mondays at Fulford Hall, 7-9 pm <b>Gabrielle Roth's 5 Rhythms Active Meditation.</b> Mondays at 5 pm. Call 37-4837 for details.	<b>other activities</b> <b>GISS Music Program.</b> Show at ArtSpring, 7:30 pm <b>SIMS PAC.</b> Meets in the library, 7 pm	<b>live entertainment</b> <b>Simply Organic.</b> Barry Valentine organ recital, followed by muffic & coffee at All Saints, 10:10 am <b>Songwriters' Showcase.</b> With Gene Grooms at Barb's Buns, 8 pm <b>other activities</b> <b>Seniors Excursion.</b> To The Empress for afternoon tea. Call Ruth, 537-5188 for info. <b>North End Toy Library.</b> Wednesdays at SS Elementary multi-purpose room, 10-11:30 am <b>South End Toy Library.</b> Wednesdays at Fulford Elementary gym, 8:30-9:30 am. Info: 653-9904.

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**cable TV**

**SSTV Cable Channel 12** broadcasts continuously for 24 hours beginning at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17.

**All Candidates Debate** - Local candidates for the position of Saanich-Gulf Islands MP faced questions from islanders at a January 8 meeting at ArtSpring. Andrew Lewis, Gary Lunn, Jennifer Burgis and Sheila Orr share the planks of their respective parties and debate the issues. David Wood moderates at the event sponsored by the Driftwood and Chamber of Commerce.

**exhibitions**

- Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** presents select original works by A.J. Casson, Robert Pilot, A.Y. Jackson, Walter Phillips, Robert Lougheed, Robert Genn, Richard Calver, G. Roberts, Neil Bradshaw and Adrian Dingle.
- Deb Hagarty** shows photography at Moby's through December and January.
- Ella Topaz** shows mixed media work at Island Savings Credit Union through January.

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**BOTTLE BAGGERS:** André and Daniela Danke show the results of their Fulford Harbour beach clean-up efforts. Funds raised from the bottle collection will help the grade 3-4 class at Fulford school "sleep with the whales" at the Vancouver Aquarium later this year.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Meals on Wheels now turning five days a week

With the non-profit Meals on Wheels program now running five days a week on Salt Spring, anyone in need of a hot and nutritious lunch is urged to contact the program's coordinator.

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Dark Water connects with deeply held fears



Jason Tudor

Though yet another remake of a Japanese horror film, *Dark Water* isn't nearly as soul-chilling as *The Ring* or *The Grudge*. It is, however, a successful thriller on its own, with a sneaky yet simple story that keeps you guessing until the end.

Jennifer Connelly stars as a newly-separated single mom named Dahlia who has a difficult time finding an apartment in New York until moving into a "brutalist" style apartment on nearby Roosevelt Island with her young daughter Ceci.

The apartment is small, dark and ugly. It also has a curious leak in the ceiling, and oh yeah, what seems to be a ghost that is talking to Ceci. Dahlia is not only facing a messy divorce but what seems like a terrible family history, so Ceci's imaginary friend is the least of her problems.

*Dark Water* starts slowly, milking its sublimely creepy urban atmosphere for all its worth. Everything is all dank greens and browns layered over decades-old concrete, and the sound mix (break out your Dolby 5.1 surround system) is somehow chaotic and purposeful at the same time. You've never heard H<sub>2</sub>O this many different ways.

For a while it seems like *Dark Water* is following familiar territory: there's a ghost, it's cheezed off, but really wants to be loved. There's more than a few red-herrings, too.

Somewhere around half-way, though, Dahlia's declining mental health comes to the fore, and things get complicated. All of the sudden, you're asking yourself questions. Is there really a little girl upstairs? Is the building attendant really as creepy as he sounds? And

where the heck is all of this dark water really coming from?

It all makes for a powerful ending, one that I really did not anticipate at all. Chalk this up to *Dark Water's* Japanese origins, which usually entail not giving the audience a pat conclusion that answers all questions.

In fact, a reviewing of the film, paying attention to the many sound clues, flashbacks and visual motifs (water, duh), might prove a more powerful experience.

All I know is that, by the time the credits rolled, I truly sympathized with both Dahlia and Ceci. *Dark Water*, like all good thrillers, works because it connects with our deeply held fears. In this case we're talking about the return of repressed childhood traumas, represented most powerfully by the impenetrability of dark water itself.

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(i.e. weekly) phone contact to seniors wanting a sense of security and belonging. The program attends to social rather than medical needs, notes Glover.

The Friendly Visitor program is different. It sees carefully selected, people-oriented volunteers matched with seniors who would like to be visited in their own homes for about an hour at a time.

Volunteers are needed for both the Friendly Visitor and Telephone Reassurance programs.

Glover urges anyone interested to contact her at 537-4607.

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# Lee probes brain-based learning in new Community Ed session

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Islanders can ruminate over the mysteries of the human brain with a presentation by local educator Ken Lee that forms part of the new Salt Spring Community Education program.

After modifying thinking patterns in classrooms for over 30 years, Lee is now offering a presentation based on his studies, titled Understanding the Human Brain, through Community Education.

(The complete catalogue of courses is on pages 20-21 of this week's Driftwood.)

"The brain is central to the profession of teaching," he said.

But the topic of brain-based learning will also appeal to students, parents and the general public, he said.

Lee went to Cambridge University and worked as a geologist with Shell Oil before becoming a teacher in 1960.

"Teaching was the best thing I ever did. I loved it," he said.

Lee retired to Salt Spring in 1991 and islanders might recognize him as a local school trustee from 1993-96. Currently, he's a trustee with Salt Spring Fire Protection District and president of the South Salt Spring Island Property Owners and Residents Association.

He first bent his thoughts to the topic of brain research when a close family member was diagnosed with a fatal neurological disease, he said.

And his studies had a profound impact on the way he approached teaching.

"If teachers could see the brain under a microscope, they would adapt their teaching methods."

Lee learned about how the different hemispheres of the brain worked and discovered that a large portion of students were not being taught in the way that best suited their mental architecture.

"I realized I was a right-brain kid in a left-brain school."

The right brain works on a spatial/intuitive level, while the left hemisphere specializes in language, he said.

"If you hire a teacher who can act, that appeals to the right-brain hemisphere."

He also discovered that television was modifying the thinking patterns of students so they would favour the right



Educator Ken Lee

side of the brain, unlike previous generations, which had been encouraged to use the left hemisphere through reading.

"The medium is the message. Marshall McLuhan proved it in his books."

He also learned that brains have evolved with different levels from the top down and that students can "downshift" when stressed or threatened from optimal thinking patterns into more primitive mammalian mid-brain or reptilian brain-stem operations.

"If you are trying to learn a math concept when you are frightened, you can't learn anything."

Lee also found that brains are organized front to back as new concepts are processed. He has studied the effects of

**"If teachers could see the brain under a microscope, they would adapt their teaching methods."**

— Ken Lee

handedness on learning and has been looking at gender issues most recently.

"There's been a lot of interest in 'brain growth spurt' theory. It seems that as the brain grows, it goes through spurts and plateaus."

Consequently, educators want to time the introduction of new concepts to meet "spurts" that occur at different points for boys and girls, he said.

"If the material is not presented when the brain is ready for it, the students lose interest. The brain prunes it out."

Since girls seem to hit these "brain spurts" on an earlier cycle than boys, he argues the case for gender-specific instruction.

"I'll be exposing some gender issues. They are controversial, but they have to be addressed."

But Lee is not new to exploring cutting-edge territory. He's given keynote speeches about brain issues at various educational conferences since 1985 and he even appeared on CBC's Morningside show with Peter Gzowski.

Islanders can register to

attend Lee's presentation through Salt Spring Community Education beginning today (January 11.)

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# Curmudgeon seeks companions for holiday season bypass plot

Once again the holiday season is over.

I cannot tell you with what joy and relief I pronounce those words. Let me say them again.

Once again the holiday season is over.

By "holiday" I mean (it is important these days to define your terms) "Commercial Christmas" (as opposed to Christian Christmas) and "Boxing Day" (in quotes because it has become "Boxing Week" and tends to begin even before "Commercial Christmas") and finally New Years, the celebration of which has always puzzled me: why are we jumping up and down simply because (only on the Julian calendar) the year is now 2006 instead of 2005? Is it perhaps that we — and the planet we live on — have survived another year under the onslaughts which we persist in dealing out? If so, maybe there is something to celebrate — in a gritted teeth sort of way.

But never mind that. I have come to the point in my life where even before October

OL' CURMUDGEON  
WITH RICHARD MOSES



when the Christmas carols come belting out of sound systems all over the world — even before that I begin contriving ways to escape another H. S. (Holiday Season).

Don't get me wrong. When friends and acquaintances hear me going on about this, they leap to the conclusion that I am a Scrooge. Nothing like it. Scrooge (at first) was a penny-pinching, miserly old misanthrope who seemed to dislike just about everything and everybody, and particularly the H.S. because it brought out the goodness of others, who then bugged him also to be good, which was something he found himself unable or unwilling to be. Sorry, but that's not me. I'm a good guy. All year 'round. Every day. Well, I try to be.

What curdles my blood about the H.S., and what forces me to excesses to attempt escape, is the blatant crassness, the tremendous waste of time and energy and money, and particularly the enormous pressure caused by this titanic tradition, pressure which, if not resisted, can lead to guilt and depression and much worse.

I have been known to try — really try — to avoid this H.S. stuff by hopping on a cross-country train or barricading myself in the house or helping serve the homeless, but, let's face it, it is impossible to escape it.

I have an idea for us essentially kind-hearted curmudgeons: Why not a place to go or maybe a cruise that would sail right on through December without a mention of this contrived H.S. business, without an ad or a jingle or a Rudolph. We could still be nice. We could even gently celebrate our lack of celebration.

My grandfather used to say, "To the man who loves his work, every day's a vacation." Allow me to paraphrase both Grandpa Bradley and Charles Dickens: "To those who would keep the spirit of Christmas, let them do so every day of the year." Now there's an idea!

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# Global-warming vulture vacations on Galiano in second area bird count

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Islanders found a few delightful surprises when they participated in an international bird count for the Audubon Society over the New Year's weekend.

Some 21 local birders mustered on December 30 and January 2 as part of the Audubon Society's 106th annual Christmas Bird Count that spanned North America.

Scouring Salt Spring, 16 registered counters sighted 61 species and 3,410 birds on the north end of the island while five counters found 55 species and 1,000 birds on the south end.

"This is the first year the Audubon's Christmas Bird count has been done on salt Spring," said south island coordinator Gavin Johnston.

"The highlight was an Anna's hummingbird," Johnston said. "The most abundant birds we saw were robins."

Islanders searched the south end of the island following big winds on New Year's Day that might have blown some species to more protected areas, he said.

"The only unusual sighting on north Salt Spring was four wood ducks," said north-end bird count coordinator John de Haan.

North Salt Spring results were lumped in with Galiano Island figures, while south-end figures factored into Saanich data for the Audubon count.

"On Galiano they had about 50 counters out. This is their regular bird count," said de Haan.

Birders found 74 species and 7,017 sightings on Galiano,

which even included an unusual over-wintering turkey vulture — a species that usually resides in Mexico for Christmas (like many other islanders).

"If you want to make an inflammatory story out of it, you can blame it on global warming," de Haan said.

Noting the wide discrepancy between Galiano and Salt Spring turn-out numbers for the Audubon bird count, de Haan explained that the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club had held another bird count earlier in December.

"We were trying to re-energize people who had already been out on December 18."

Across North America, some 514 species were spotted and 21,443,609 birds were tallied for the Christmas Bird Count.

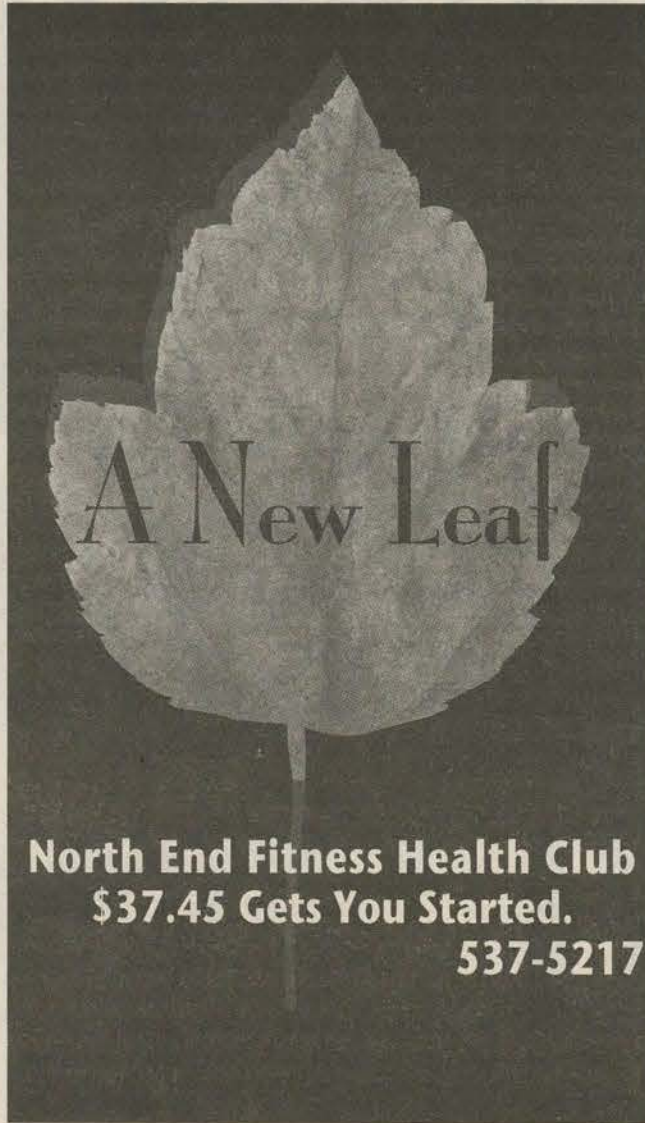
The Audubon count enables birders to watch trends on the big picture, de Haan said.

"We might not see birds for a period of time and think, 'Gee, they're not around here anymore.' With the Audubon numbers, they can refer to areas north of us, south of us or east of us and say, 'Here's where all your Pine Siskins have gone.' It's not that they're gone, they've just packed up and moved."

Island birders plan to combine the local count with the Audubon count to make one event next year.


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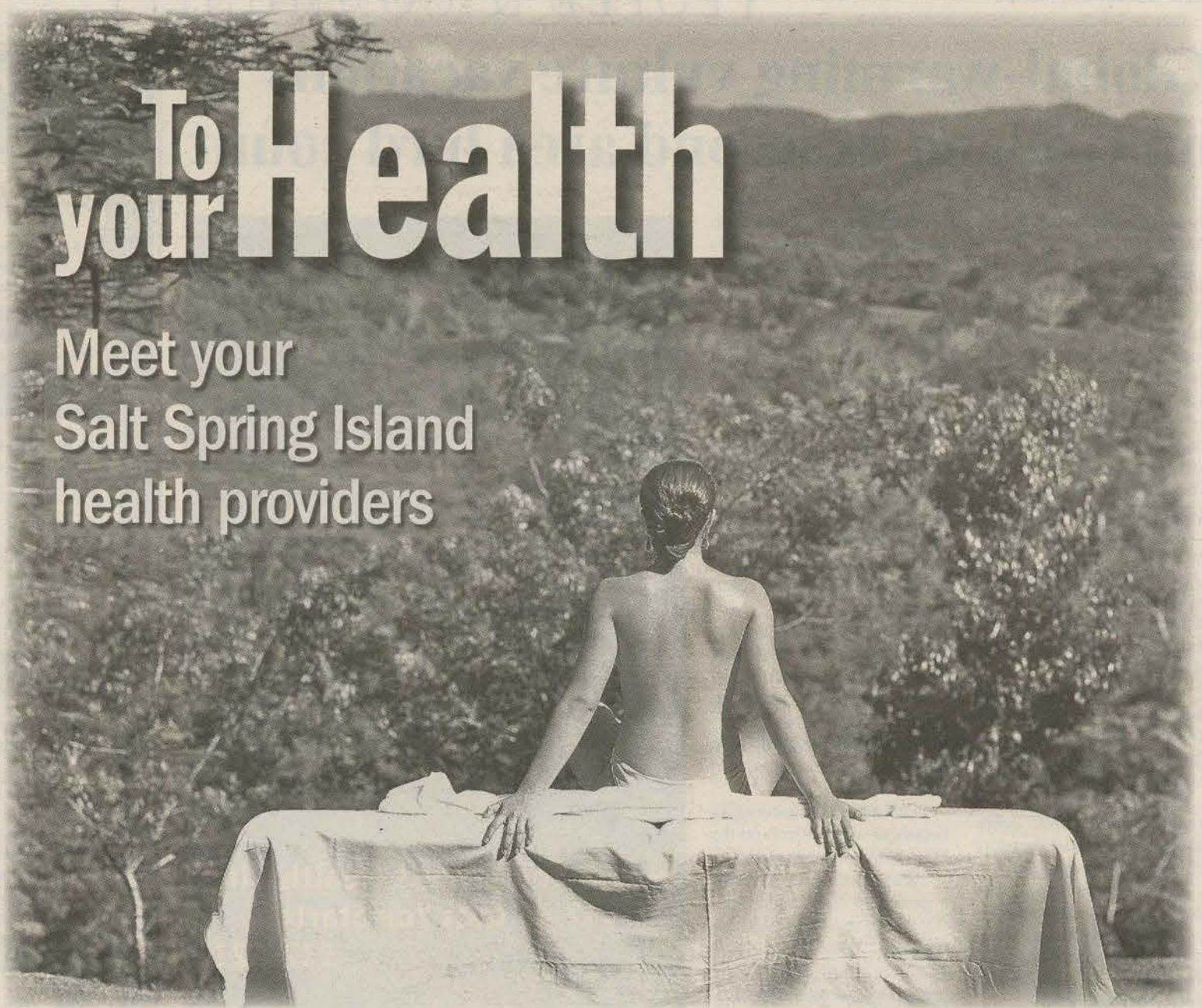
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# Climbing 'The Wall' wakens inner growth

By MITCHELL SHERRIN  
Staff Writer

Grasping for a small handhold that's just tantalizingly out of reach can offer valuable life lessons for climbers suspended by ropes at "The Wall."

"It's all about taking risks," said Jamie Alexander, who acts as coordinator for Salt Spring Island's indoor climbing wall.

"Here you can take a risk and not get hurt. You might get surprised, you might get shocked or you might even get a 'wedgie,' but you won't get hurt. It's a controlled environment."

Coordinating The Wall is just one component of Alexander's new job as the community resource counsellor for Salt Spring Island Community Services.

"I'm the 'go-to' guy. My job is to assess needs and discuss options with people when they come to Community Services."

And Alexander is keen to revitalize the 11-year-old climbing facility to provide more fitness, social and developmental opportunities for islanders.

"It's time to wake up The Wall," he said last week.

Recently, the indoor climbing facility has suffered from reduced volunteer involvement and financial constraints due to increased insurance costs on the non-profit organization, said Alexander.

"It hasn't been up to speed since the summer."

But now Community Services is hoping to get major funding in February, which will provide for new equipment and a permanent part-time coordinator responsible for ongoing operations and programming at The Wall.

Alexander also hopes to augment the volunteer group running the facility. Consequently, Community Services is hosting a meeting to discuss future plans, community input and volunteering on January 26.

"Part of the 'waking up' part is trying to get more volunteers. Less volunteers means less users . . . Our goal is to have every shift covered. Bring it on."

Since Alexander works as a counsellor, he is attuned to noticing the personal growth that comes from facing challenges while climbing.

"From a counselling perspective, it's good to demonstrate that what was once impossible is now doable. You

can overcome some things."

Over the past 12 years he's worked as a youth and family counsellor at Community Services, Alexander regularly brought kids to The Wall as a way to build confidence and trust with his clients.

"One of the reasons kids don't practise their social skills is fear of risk."

By overcoming seemingly insurmountable obstacles at The Wall, kids can build a history of success that helps them face new experiences.

"The overhang looks so more ominous than it really is."

As a parallel example, Alexander described how children might be reluctant to assert themselves against a bully because they think the bully will hurt them. But once they risk talking to an adult about bullying, the problem with the bully can be overcome and the child gains greater confidence, he said.

"Adults have a whole inventory of these things they can rely on. The next time we come up to a problem and we're worried about the outcome, we can remember, 'It didn't turn out that way last time.' We've got a little store of that."

Another advantage of climbing at The Wall is the bond that can develop between a climber and a belayer (people who lower climbers on ropes).

"It's the ultimate trust relationship. 'If you fall, I will save you.'"

Consequently, Alexander has used climbing to help build trust with youth groups and has conducted climbing sessions to allow kids to meet police officers in a new capacity.

User groups apart from Community Services counsellors include school groups, birthday parties, Camp Colossal (PARC), the Gulf Islands Families Together Society (GIFTS), Salt Spring Island Ground Search and Rescue and Island Escapades' Outdoor Adventure Program.

Over 1,000 children, teens and adults have visited the facility since it opened in May 1995, Alexander said.

And The Wall is one of the few indoor recreation activities available for youth when the weather is foul, he noted.

"It's the classic thing that unless you have something social to do, you'll find anti-social activities like drugs and delinquency."

Climbing presents its own sub-culture and islanders have



**SPIDERMAN:** Jamie Alexander, coordinator of The Wall, invites islanders to participate in revitalization of the climbing facility.

Photo by Mitchell Sherrin

met through climbing sessions at The Wall to go on to climbing adventures in Squamish and California, he said.

Obviously, The Wall also offers great fitness opportunities through aerobics, flexibility and upper-body conditioning.

"Whole families will show up and climb themselves into the ground and then put the kids to bed."

And The Wall is even offering an incentive where certified belayers can earn free

climbing time by volunteering for shifts. Another belaying course takes place within the next few weeks, he noted.

Public climbing times are Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

For more information about The Wall, contact Jamie at Community Services (537-9971) or attend the upcoming general meeting at the community centre (268 Fulford-Ganges Road) at 6:30 p.m. on January 26.

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3. Langdon Jack	291	396	687	39
4. Tamboline W	295	388	683	37
5. Baker Brent	266	412	678	38
6. Field Marilyn	299	379	678	39
7. Johnson Liam	285	389	674	40
8. Dekleer Rene	276	395	671	39
9. Eyles Gail	272	396	668	40
10. Langdon Jocelyn	263	401	664	42
11. Johnson Cam	270	394	664	44
12. Butler Janet	275	385	660	36
13. Marmorstein Yoni	268	387	655	38
14. Lam Huy	281	373	654	43
15. Hoban Rypawn	277	372	649	33
16. Newton Norma	251	396	647	48
17. Eddie Cole	269	376	645	49
18. Lynch S	283	360	643	45
19. Lam Ramona	284	359	643	40
20. Tamboline Philip	260	381	641	37
21. Eyles Tobin	247	394	641	36
22. Luke Kevin	268	370	638	41
23. Moldon Dennis	271	366	637	35
24. Charlebois Jason	260	377	637	40
25. Hardy Mike	265	369	634	37
26. Hitchcock William	262	372	634	39
27. Eyles Evan	256	375	631	42
28. Anderson Dennis	264	367	631	40
29. Smith Donald	267	356	623	45
30. Steele John	238	384	622	45
31. Doerksen Hank	258	364	622	39
32. Byron Leah	252	370	622	51
33. Reinholdt Kim	281	341	622	52
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35. Watson Tracey	255	362	617	48
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37. Byron Josh	268	346	614	38
38. Huser Christian	285	329	614	47
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40. Shaske Ed	212	394	606	37
41. Cunningham Jean	257	349	606	38
42. Courtney John	257	348	605	34
43. Newton N	246	359	605	40
44. Smith Shirley	244	359	603	34
45. Marleau Gerry	235	368	603	36
46. Lynch Brian	262	340	602	34
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48. Hoban Lind-e	256	344	600	34
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# GISS stomps on B.C. champs at Cedar tourney

Senior boys Scorpions from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) showed their mettle with a first-place finish at an eight-team tourney hosted by AA provincial basketball champions from Cedar last weekend.

After polishing off the Chemainus Cougars 69-18 as an appetizer during a home game on Thursday, the GISS senior boys went on to devour the Cedar Spartans by 65-54 during the opening match of the Spartans' home tourney on Friday.

GISS then snacked on the Timberline Wolves from Campbell River in an 89-66 drubbing and they clobbered the Shawnigan Lake Stags by 57-48 as an aperitif in the final.

Highlights over the three-day feast included eight three-point shots for Yoni Marmorstein during the league game against Chemainus, first team all-star honours for Jordan Borth and a tourney-MVP award for GISS captain Jeremy Byron, who averaged 23 points a game during the Cedar tournament.

Scorpions coach Lyall Ruehlen also commended Josh Benloulou for strong play, Bob Byron for the way he carried the ball up and down the court and Eland Bronstein for his great defensive play against Timberline and Shawnigan.

The Scorpions missed Shawn Lee and Bonn Smith, who had previous commitments with the GISS Acting 11/12 performance last weekend, he said.

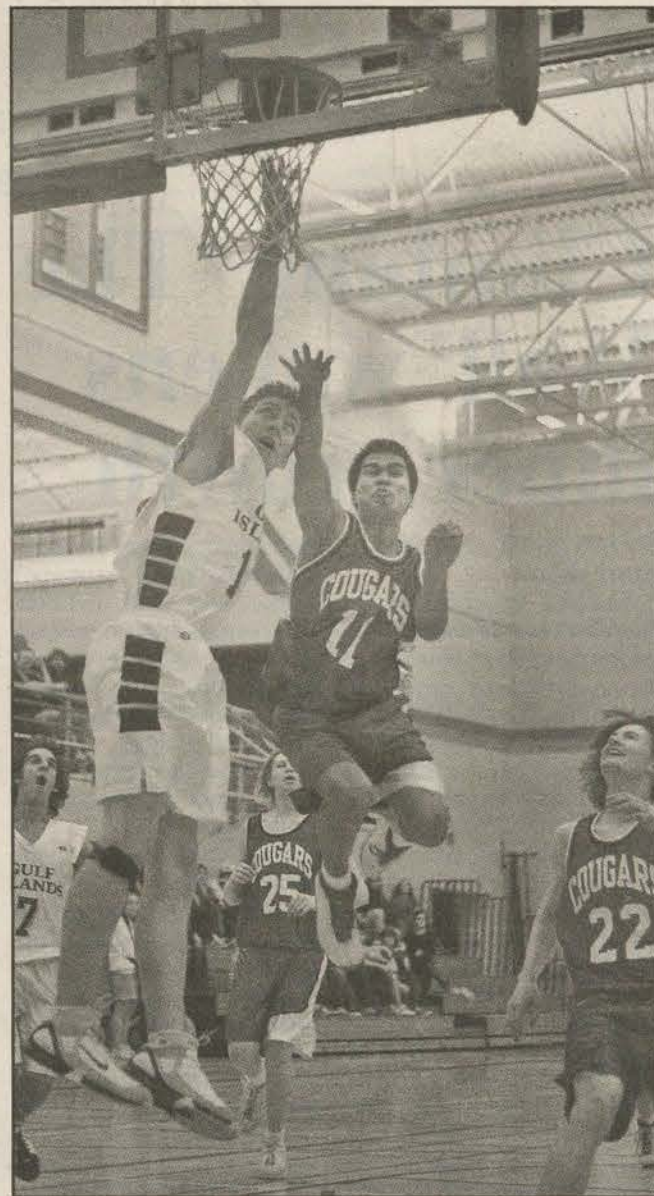
In upcoming GISS basketball action, the senior boys and girls teams will host a tourney on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

"Everyone should come out and support us," said senior girls player Kayla Grommé.

Senior girls will play against Kwalikum on noon Thursday, London (from Richmond) at 8:45 p.m. Thursday, Highlands (Courtenay) on noon Friday and Mark Isfeld (Comox) at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

Senior boys face Kwalikum at 1:45 p.m. Thursday, North Island (Port McNeill) at 1:45 p.m. Friday, and Mark Isfeld at 5:15 p.m. Saturday.

Both GISS teams will also attend a shooting skills competition at 8 p.m. Friday.



**FIRST IN:** GISS Scorpions player Jeremy Byron is first to the hoop, with a Chemainus Cougars player in hot pursuit during a Thursday game at GISS. The home squad won the game 69-18 and went on to a first-place finish at a Cedar tourney on the weekend.

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6 DEATHS



MITCHELL (NEE DOUGHERTY), MILDRED ANNE, B.A. 1919 - 2006

Mildred, beloved wife of Jack, passed away on Wednesday, January 4, 2006 at the age of 86 at the Lady Minto Hospital, Salt Spring Island, B.C. after a brief struggle with cancer. Besides her loving husband of 62 years, Mildred is survived by sons Michael (Yvonne) and Stephen (Susan) and daughter, Judy Erickson, granddaughter Alexandra Mitchell, grandsons Daniel, Scott and Kevin Erickson. She was pre-deceased by her sister Grace. Mildred was born in Toronto to parents Mildred Holmes and John Hubert Dougherty who moved to Montreal when she was a preschooler. She graduated with distinction from Montreal West High School at age 17 and was admitted to Queen's University in the Bachelor of Arts program with special interest in History and Political Science. She was a member of the Levana Debating Society and was the first woman on the Queen's inter-university debating team. When WWII interrupted plans for post-graduate studies in law, she joined IBM. Corp. Mildred and Jack met in 1936 during their first year at Queen's University. They were married on April 6, 1943 in Montreal West when Jack was on leave from the Navy. Mildred and Jack settled in Montreal and retired to Salt Spring in 1980. She volunteered and participated in several societies and had special interest in the Mary Hawkins Memorial Library and Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary. She was an active and involved member of the Salt Spring Golf Club, where she continued her lifelong enjoyment of playing and competing in the game. Thankfully her illness was brief, she did not suffer and her family was there together before her passing. At Mildred's request there will not be a service. A memorial celebration of her life is planned and will be announced at a later date. If friends so desire, memorial tributes may be made in Mildred's memory to the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation or to the donor's charity of choice.

6 DEATHS

ARNOLD, JOHN Lawrence Depew passed away at Lady Minto Hospital on Dec. 18, 2005. Predeceased by his wife Edna Mae in 1999. He is survived by daughter Susan (Vincent) Rooney-Kirkwood, grandchildren Stephanie (Alain), Laurence (Jamey). No service by request. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Lady Minto Hospital Foundation.

7 IN MEMORIAM

In Memory of Mildred K. Little A year now, since the loving touch of a wife and mother was felt, but Oh! how the memories of your love and gentle nature are there. Especially in the mornings, memories that we thank you for because they are all about your kindness and love of God, Family and Friends. Missing you terribly, but our times together were the best and God's Choir is now more complete. Love Tom and sons and families of David, Daryl, Brian, Tommy and Duane.

10 CELEBRATIONS

13. The answer is: Raven Street Market Cafe. NEW BABY? Call Welcome Wagon for a personal Baby Visit. Gifts & greetings from local businesses and a warm welcome for baby. Andrea 537-8464.

8 CARDS OF THANKS

4. The answer is TLC Take out Comfort Food.



Thank You!

- Oystercatcher
Raven St. Cafe
Thrifty Foods
GVM
Flowers & Wine
Mark's Work Warehouse

Your donations made New Year's Eve a huge success.

Also Swingshift Band & Chef Robert

6 DEATHS

Small, Margaret Mary (Peggy MacLean)

With family gathered around, and an audio tape of herself playing the piano setting a tranquil mood, Peggy passed away peacefully at home on January 5, 2006 at the age of 79 at Salt Spring Island, BC. How appropriate that the tape stopped just after she took her last breath.

Peggy is survived by her husband of 59 years, James A. (Bert) Small, and her elder sister Frances Masters of Toronto. She is also survived by children Janet (Doug) Sims of Norwood, ON, Judy (Ray) MacNeal of Nanaimo, BC, James (Shirley) Small of Tottenham, ON and Jeff Small of Whitby, ON. She is also survived by grandchildren Jason (Christy) Wryghte of Fergus, ON, Aaron (Tina) Feaver of Vancouver, BC, Carole (Jeff) Way of St. Stephen, NB, and Jenna (Greg) Small of Oshawa, ON. Great-grandchildren Michael, Andrew, Jack, Lia, Heather, Faith, Will, Naomi, and Joy will also miss Granny/Grandma/GG very much.

Peggy was born in Toronto on May 1, 1926 to the late Douglas Stuart MacLean and Fanny (Roberts) MacLean. She also had two older brothers, the late Douglas and Donald. Peggy joined the RCAF for service in WWII, married in 1946, and had four children, named above. A gifted musician, her music was inspirational. As young children, many family members had the luxury of being lulled to sleep by her music on many occasions; of sitting beside her on the bench with feet swinging freely; of hearing the distinctive rhythm of her left hand as it performed the dual role of chord support and percussion as the right hand played a hymn melody or a pop tune. At different times, she played for various bands and senior's groups. Her lovingly made folk art and quilting will be treasured by family members for years to come. Peg served as school receptionist at two of Scarborough's east end public schools for many years. She loved her family and supported them without question in whatever trials they faced over the years. Her door was always open and her life mission could be summed up as "making things easier for everyone else around her". We knew her as Peg, Peggy, Mom, Granny, Grandma, GG, and Great-Granny, and she will be dearly missed.

In lieu of flowers donations would be appreciated in Peggy's memory to the Lost Chords Choir, c/o Seniors' Centre, Salt Spring Island.



8 CARDS OF THANKS

Heartfelt thanks from the Co-op Preschool to everyone involved in the Harry Manx and the Roadies Dance Party.

Special thanks to Bob Dellon at Acoustic Planet Music, Jordy Sharp, Paul Branscombe, Wynn Gogal, Dave Rowse, Gary the sound man and Valdy for his surprise addition to the evening. Thanks to our sponsors: Rainbow Road Trading, Raven Isle Graphics, Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods, The Fishery, Murray Hunter, The Driftwood, Maria at the Liquor Branch for all her guidance.

Thanks to those who attended and helped to create a 'house-party' atmosphere. Finally, we cannot thank Najma and Harry Manx enough for their generosity in time and talent to our preschool fundraiser.

May 2006 bring all of you your heart's desire! Call 537-8445 for lost and found items.

8 CARDS OF THANKS



SOLD!

The Seabreeze Inne would like to thank the community for a wonderful 5 years of support and patronage. The new owners will be taking over on Feb. 14th, 2006.

To all the staff, local suppliers, and competitors we wish you the very best!

Yours truly, the Kovats' clan Justin, Mitchell, Lindsey, Spencer

6 DEATHS



Holliger, Charlotte Louise August 18, 1926 - January 5, 2006

Charlotte passed away peacefully, surrounded by her loving family Thursday morning at the Lady Minto Hospital, Salt Spring Island.

Loving wife of John Holliger, mother of Richard, Will and Dawn Clements, step-mother of Susan, Jane and John Holliger Jr., grandmother and great-grandmother. A Celebration of Charlotte's Life Reception was held on Sunday, January 8 at the Harbour House for family and friends to share their joy in their memories of Charlotte. Thank you to all who could attend with such short notice.

Thank you to the Doctors, Nurses and Staff at the Lady Minto Hospital who gave Charlotte such loving care. As the Alzheimer's Disease progressed for Charlotte, it was comforting to know she was in the care of the finest at Lady Minto.

Charlotte touched the lives of all who had the pleasure of knowing her. She will be remembered in our hearts as a lovely, elegant, beautiful lady who was kind and gentle and so giving of herself. Her paper cuttings were treasured by her in creating them and in giving them as gifts to many of us. Charlotte also loved music and with her sweet voice she sang, and with grace and elegance, she danced.

To all that knew her, believe in your hearts that Charlotte's soul is now free again to sing and dance and she watches over us with much love. And we love you Charlotte, Mummy - and we shall never forget you.



20 COMING EVENTS

TOTS, KIDS, TEENS YOGA Classes resume Mon., Jan. 9, 2006. Drop ins welcome or purchase pass cards. Check www.gangesyogastudio.com for schedule details, or collect a printed schedule at Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

SENIORS CHAIR YOGA Suitable for anyone who wishes to increase strength, flexibility & balance. Good for developing concentration! Senior discounts available. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

FOR A complete calendar of coming events check the Driftwood Community Calendar, in our office in the Upper Ganges Centre, 328 Lower Ganges Road, or on our website at www.gulfislands.net. Use the calendar for event planning and to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

YOGA WALL WORKSHOPS Beginners, Jan. 14, 10-12noon, \$35. Intermediate Feb. 5, 10-1pm, \$45. Pre-registration recommended. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

10 CELEBRATIONS

It's a girl!



Emma Lizotte

Born December 16, 2005 to Frédéric and Jane Lizotte Grandparents are Brian & Susan Cunningham and Jean-Claude Lizotte & Nancy Boyle.

20 COMING EVENTS

JIN SHIN DO workshop, Feb. 11, 1 - 5pm. Instructor Bonnie Rush. \$60 (\$55 for advanced booking) incl. manual. Senior Centre, across from GVM. Info Claire, only 3 places left. 653-9898.

FULFORD COMMUNITY Nature School Society AGM, January 18 at 5:30 pm in the Fulford School Library. Everyone welcome to come meet the board members and learn about the society and it's programming for youth.

FABULOUS FRIDAY Arts Program for youth is now accepting registrations for the winter session. 8 weeks of fun and creativity held at Fulford Community Elementary School starting January 13. For more information call Johanna @ 653-9383

POTTERY CLASSES FOR WOMEN

BEGINNERS ON the pottery wheel welcome! You can join Tuesdays: 10 - 12:30pm or 4:30 - 7pm, Thursdays: 10 - 12:30pm. Please call for more info Rita: 537-8981 and remember my number in the telephone book is wrong.

FELDENKRAIS AWARENESS Through Movement classes with Alice Friedman begin again Monday January 2 at 9:15. New: Wednesday January 4 at 5:15pm. Discover moving more easily, living more comfortably. The Gatehouse 190 Reynolds Road for information call 653-4332.

EXCITING WATERCOLOUR Workshops with Libby Juras starting week of Feb 20. Beginner or Intermediate, small groups. libby@saltspring.com or 537-1952.

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THE SCIENCE AND ART OF HERBOLGY

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MIXED LEVELS YOGA

Mon., 9-10:30 am (free childcare), 6-7:30pm. Tues., 6:30-8pm. Drop-ins welcome, \$15 incl. tax or by discounted pass cards. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

RESTORATIVE RESTSHOPS Deeply relaxing! Highly restorative and regenerative! Pre-registration recommended. Jan. 22, Feb. 26, Mar. 5. Pre-registered \$18, drop-in \$20, incl. tax. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Ty Chandler, Jan. 28, 9am-1pm. Julie Gudmestad, Mar. 24 - 26. Monica Voss, May 26 - 28. Call for details. Ganges Yoga Studio, 537-2444.

ASHTANGA YOGA

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CALL FOR ENTRIES



Open to any Salt Spring Island artist, working in any media. Affiliation with an arts organization is not required.

Application forms and information are available at the Ticket Centre at ArtSpring.

Deadline for entry forms and \$5 non-refundable fee is Friday, January 13, 2006.

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Call 537-2125 for further information.



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20 COMING EVENTS

**"New Year's Resolution" Sale**  
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163 Fulford-Ganges Rd. 537-2553  
 Winter Hours Monday - Saturday 10 - 5

20 COMING EVENTS

**ADDITIONS**  
 WordPlay will cast **THE NORMAN CONQUESTS**  
 3 plays by Alan Ayckbourn

Croftonbrook Hall  
 Sat., Jan. 21, 2 pm  
 Sun., Jan. 22, 7:30 pm

Performances Mar. 2, 3, 4  
 All Welcome  
 Contact number: 537-8863

20 COMING EVENTS

**Basketry Course I**  
 with Joan Carrigan  
**Make 4 baskets** using the following techniques:  
 Wicker, Splint Woven, Twining, & Random.

Runs 6 Thurs. evenings:  
**Jan. 26 - March 2**  
 7 - 9:30 pm  
 Cost: \$150 includes materials.

To inquire or register:  
**538-1877**

20 COMING EVENTS

**More Basketry Course II**  
 with Joan Carrigan  
**Make 4 more baskets** using:  
 Rib, Diagonal Plaiting, Pine Needle Coiling, & Knotless Netting.

Runs 6 Tues. evenings  
**Jan. 24 - Feb. 28**  
 7 - 9:30 pm  
 Cost: \$150 includes materials.

To inquire or register:  
**538-1877**

34 NOTICES

**SOUTH END Toy Library** now open Wednesdays, 8:30 - 9:30 at Fulford Elementary gym. For more info. call 653-9904.

**WINNERS OF Salmon Enhancement raffle.** First prize: B. Freitas, painting by Nancy Wigen. Second: Leslie Deathe, truckload of firewood. Third & Fourth: Al Reimer & Pat Friele, smoked salmon. Thanks to Nancy Wigen for the generous donation.

AVAILABLE FOR readings: Carol - spiritualist psychic medium and paranormal and psychic investigator. For appointment, 250-538-8272.

40 PERSONALS

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41 PERSONAL/BUSINESS

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50 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

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55 HELP WANTED

**10. The answer is Sam Anderson Appliance Repairs**

**HARBOUR HOUSE Hotel** is accepting resumes in their house-keeping department. An eye for details is essential. Experience preferred but not necessary. Drop resume at Front Desk Attention: Charlene.

**Studio Tour Group** hiring Info Centre Display Case merchandiser. Part-time. Must have experience in retail merchandising. Call Valla 537-9476 for more information.

**TRANSITIONS THRIFT Store** seeks casual store help who enjoys a busy retail environment and working with others. Complete job posting can be picked up at Transitions. Applications must be received by 4pm on Jan. 24/06.

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**Notice of Road Closures**

Jackson and Seaview Avenues, adjacent to ArtSpring, will be closed on **Thursday, January 12** for facility upgrades.

**Seaview will be closed 10:00-1:00**

**Jackson will be closed 1:00-4:00**

ArtSpring apologizes for any inconvenience and appreciates your understanding. Please call 537-2125 for further information.



**Salt Spring Island Public Library Association**

**Notice of General Meeting of Members**

A General Meeting of members of the Salt Spring Island Public Library Association will be held

**January 12, 2006**

beginning at **4 pm** at the **Mary Hawkins Memorial Library** 129 McPhillips Ave., Salt Spring Island, BC

Business to be conducted: **Appointment of Auditor for Fiscal Year 2005**

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

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

**ASTAR The Association for Short Term Accommodation Rentals**

**Notice of Meeting**

A general meeting of ASTAR Members will be held **Saturday, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 1:30 pm** At the Harbour House Hotel. New Members welcome. Membership renewals available.

40 PERSONALS

**DENIED CANADA PENSION PLAN** disability benefits? The Disability Claims Advocacy Clinic can help. Call Allison Schmidt at 1-877-793-3222. [www.saskadvocate.com](http://www.saskadvocate.com)

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55 HELP WANTED

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**The SALT SPRING CENTRE of YOGA**

**Winter Yoga**  
 Classes begin January 16 Monday

9 - 10:30am Mixed Levels - Kishori Hutchings  
 11am - 12:00pm Seniors Yoga - Celeste Mallett  
 4 - 5:30pm Beginner/Mixed Levels - Dorothy Price (Jan. 9, 16<sup>th</sup> only, recommencing on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>)

Tuesday 7 - 8:15pm Qigong - Purna Ma (Please phone 537-5190 for info or to pre-register)

Wednesday 8:45 - 10:15am SSAS Alumni Class - Rupert Adams  
 4 - 5pm Gita/Sutra Study - SSCY Staff  
 7 - 9pm Kirtan - SSCY Singers (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at Ganges Yoga Studio)

Friday 9 - 10:30am Mixed Levels - Ingrid Hauss  
 11 - 12:30pm Gentle Yoga - Ingrid Hauss

Sunday 11:30 - 1pm Intro to Yoga - SSCY Staff (at Ganges Yoga Studio in Grace Point Square, 537-2444)  
 3:30 - 5:00pm Satsang - Spiritual songs and readings

Please call or check our website to confirm class availability.  
 537-2326 or [www.saltspringcentre.com](http://www.saltspringcentre.com)

**Huge Clothing Sale**  
 by Tree Frog Organics on Mayne Island

Check out the beautiful lines of Men's and Women's fashions made from: hemp, organic cotton, silk, tencel, soy, merino wool, alpaca and linen.

**20%-50% off WINTER INVENTORY**

**SALT SPRING ISLAND**  
 Saturday, Jan. 14 • 9:30-6:00  
 Sunday, Jan. 15 • 10:00-4:00 Mahon Hall

Accepted: VISA, M.C.

Community Gospel Chapel presents **WOMEN'S BRUNCH!**

Enjoy a time of relaxation, listening and reflection for women

Babysitting for age 9 & under by donation

**Saturday, January 21 @ 10 am**  
 Community Gospel Chapel on Vesuvius Bay Rd.  
 ...a love offering will be taken

**Our Guest Speaker is Debbie Shields:**  
*She is a teacher who can make you laugh and cry in the same session and still come out feeling refreshed and challenged for having heard from the Lord.*

**BURNS NIGHT**  
 Saturday, Jan. 21 Meaden Hall

**ENTERTAINMENT**  
**The Legion Pipes and Drums**

**Doors open at 6:00pm**  
**Dinner at 7:15pm**  
**Tickets: \$25 ea.**

**Tickets @ the Legion Bar or by calling 653-9481**

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**26 LEGAL**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE ESTATE OF **KENNETH CLIFFORD GRIFFIN, deceased**

All persons having claims against the above estate are required to send full particulars of such claims to the undersigned Executrix, at:  
 c/o Mr. Richard Weiland, 800 - 885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3H1, on or before the 15th day of March, 2006, after which date the estate's assets will be distributed, having regard only to claims that have then been received.

HEIDI MARIE MARSHALL Executrix  
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**Marine Radio Course - VHF**

Learn how to use your VHF, understand marine communications and obtain your Operators Certificate (ROCM). Includes the new Digital Selection Calling (DSC) Endorsement and Simulator.

Conducted by the Salt Spring Power & Sail Squadron.

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Contact  
 Anthony J. Thorne at 653-4738 or [ajthorne@saltspring.com](mailto:ajthorne@saltspring.com)

**SaltSpring FOLK CLUB**  
 Jan 23/06 Pamela Morgan opening: Paul Mowbray  
**Fulford Hall Tickets \$15**

On sale now at Acoustic Planet, Salt Spring Books, Stuff & Nonsense

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**Bessie Dane Foundation & Hospice**  
 Monthly Support Meeting (Members only please)

Discussion:  
**The Dawn of a New Age - Thinking TEAM**

**Wednesday, Jan. 11, 7:30 pm**  
 S.S. Seniors Services Building

**TEEN & ADULT DANCE CLASSES**

- **Hip Hop** •  
 Kasia Skolsky (Victoria)  
 Saturdays Jan. 14 - Feb. 25  
 2:30 - 3:30 pm All Saints
- **Modern Technique** •  
 Andrea Rabinovitch  
 Mondays Feb. 27 - April 24  
 5:30 - 7 pm Mahon Hall
- **Hip Hop** •  
 Andrea Rabinovitch  
 Tuesdays Feb. 28 - April 26  
 6 - 7 pm Mahon Hall

538-0116  
[bluerobin@saltspring.com](mailto:bluerobin@saltspring.com)

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 Register now for the following classes

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29 LOST AND FOUND

**2. The answer is Imagine That Design and Print Services.**

**FOUND SILVER ring** in Moutat's Park. Call Chris 537-1343.

**FOUND: CHANGE purse** with Mexican design in Roasting Company, Sunday Jan. 8. Owner may claim by calling 653-4988.

**FOUND: SET of keys**, across from Ganges Village Market. Owner may claim at the Driftwood office.

**BROWN PURSE** found corner of Whims Rd. and North End. Owner may claim at Driftwood office.

32 MEETINGS

**MEETING** Board of directors of Central Community Hall, Tuesday January 17, 2006. 7pm. Public welcome.

34 NOTICES

**12. The answer is Apple Photo and Imaging**  
**IF YOUR Driftwood subscription** label has the date highlighted, now is the time to renew!

**You're Invited!**

**GETTING THEM THROUGH THE DOORS**  
 SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 (1:30-4:30)  
 Performers, artists and presenting organizations: Explore ways of **building and retaining your audiences.** This is a preliminary session to Spreading the Word: Marketing and Promotion  
 Facilitated by Paul Gravett, executive director, ArtSpring

**SPREADING THE WORD: MARKETING AND PROMOTION**  
 SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 (10:00-4:00)  
 Now you know what you are selling, learn the **tricks of the trade** to get out your message.  
 Facilitated by Mike Callaghan, Canadian Marketing Manoeuvres

**GETTING THE WORK DONE**  
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 (10:00-4:00)  
**Manage your volunteers** in order to get the job done and keep them coming back for more!  
 Facilitated by Theresa Kingston, manager of Human Resources and Community Development (City of Port Alberni)

Attendance at all three workshops is encouraged, but is not required. Light refreshments will be served.

Island Arts Centre Society  
**ARTSPRING**

Please call 537-2125 for more information and to register.

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55 HELP WANTED

**Salt Spring Island Public Library**

**OPPORTUNITY**

The Friends of the Library, a not-for-profit, charitable society allied with the Salt Spring Public Library, is seeking a volunteer Co-ordinator for its forthcoming campaign to help fund the proposed new library, specifically the purchase of land on McPhillips Avenue.

An imaginative, experienced person who could head up a working team would be ideal.

Please contact Pat Byrne at 537-4258, or pat@saltsprng.com

**Salt Spring Island Community Services**

**2 positions**

**Youth Alcohol and Drug Counsellor**  
28 hours per week

**Duties:** Provide alcohol and drug education, prevention, assessment and counselling services for adolescents and their families.

**Qualifications:** Degree in social work, child and youth care, addictions counselling. Experience with counselling adolescents, experience with alcohol and drug prevention and treatment.

**Emergency Mental Health Response**  
4 on-call evening shifts per week

**Duties:** Work with hospital, RCMP and other first responders to provide crisis, assessment and counselling support to address emergency mental health needs in the community.

**Qualifications:** Degree in nursing, social work or other equivalent mental health training. Experience working with persons with mental illness in hospital and community settings.

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117 COMMUNITY SERVICES

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Pender 629-3631

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1	6	5	2	9	4	3	7	8
9	3	2	7	8	6	1	5	4
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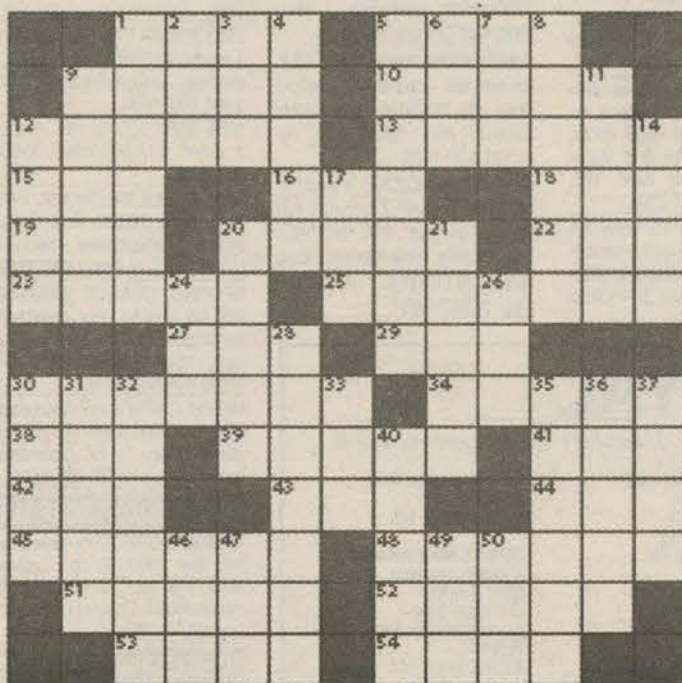
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Navigator's concern
- 5 Serene
- 9 Gawker
- 10 Like a bee
- 12 Dress part
- 13 Remedy a failed air supply mission
- 15 Journal
- 16 Inventor Whitney
- 18 Motor or dent preceder
- 19 Employ
- 20 Wounds
- 22 Consume
- 23 Strange
- 25 Lobby
- 27 Frankenstein's birthplace?
- 29 Arab unity org.
- 30 King Arthur country
- 34 \_\_\_\_\_ whale
- 38 Macaws
- 39 Perspiration
- 41 Bleacher bleat
- 42 Title for a knight
- 43 Topper
- 44 Ace
- 45 Mexican dish
- 48 \_\_\_\_\_ whale
- 51 Russian lady's name
- 52 Wrong
- 53 Fettered
- 54 Air

**DOWN**

- 1 American \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Centre or gram prefix
- 3 Recreation, slangily
- 4 Welcome
- 5 Woodland \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Imitation
- 7 Crystal rectifier, abbr.
- 8 American \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Silly one?
- 11 Air defence org.
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ whale
- 14 \_\_\_\_\_ pocket
- 17 Roman household god
- 20 Word between signs and delivers
- 21 Commence
- 24 \_\_\_\_\_ Dorval
- 26 The Haj hero
- 28 \_\_\_\_\_ whale
- 30 Fracture fixer?
- 31 Operatic solos
- 32 Vancouver Island \_\_\_\_\_
- 33 Drawing room event
- 35 Sage \_\_\_\_\_
- 36 Receives the death penalty
- 37 Titaness
- 40 Not in the field
- 46 Cuckoo
- 47 Caustic
- 49 Ratite



## This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

**TIP OF THE WEEK:**

As the New Year gets rolling, the weight of resistance verses personal and collective ambitions are in contention. The resistance will come, in part, from the status quo and whether or not there is willingness to go for new ideas. This is a good time to launch new initiatives, yet it may take until mid February for them to take off. The collective is getting ready for new ideas and perspectives that have a higher reach in consciousness. Old beliefs that no longer serve will be swept away, yet there may be a desire for the good old days. This is generally a good month to clean-up unfinished business and launch new initiatives simultaneously. Strategic thinking and a proactive intention with determination to set things in motion is the best approach, especially this year. Gain insight and direction by subscribing to my website ([www.sunstarastronomy.com](http://www.sunstarastronomy.com)) which is finally up and running after months of construction, thank you for your patience. There you will read the more of the story about the general pace and a few highlights for 2006.

outlining all your skills and assets and liabilities. Balance realism with optimism.

**VIRGO (AUG 24 - SEP 22)**

Perpetuating a creative and productive flow is now in focus. Keeping an open mind about the possibilities is important now. Avoid negative thinking at all costs. Plan your days with greater concentration and focus so that you have goals. Your willingness to work diligently and follow through for the next 4 to 6 weeks especially will prove rewarding, or at least wise, throughout the year. Keep the nurture and nutrition going for success!

**LIBRA (SEP 23 - OCT 22)**

Re-centering and anchoring your sense of power is in focus. This implies a solid base. Although you have the energy and motivation, are the opportunities there? Flowing with the dynamic current implies flexibility. Changes in your lifestyle are part of the plot. This can include new creative expressions. Allow music to soothe and inspire. Pace yourself now as the momentum will rise. Establish a base and create new connections.

**ARIES (MAR 21 - APR 20)**

Your sense of independence is getting stronger with each day and this will continue throughout the first half of the Year especially. Creating a promising momentum stands to be a bit challenging for a while so make extra efforts. This is a good time to approach authority figures for favours, loans, and raises etcetera. Take a strategic approach and do not let high ideals get in the way of practical realities.

**SCORPIO (OCT 23 - NOV 21)**

Your mind is moving fast now. Plans, schemes, insights and designs to create a more powerful presence in the world are on your mind. What else can you do and how else can you do it? Your ambition will remain strong for the next couple of months anyway. This is a good time to take action. Do not wait! Establish an intention, approach and flow so the year proves to be one of breakthrough. Do the work and keep with the pace.

**TAURUS (APR 21 - MAY 20)**

Thoughts about how to create more freedom and flow in your life are running through your mind. This may include financial strategies, needs and desires. Facing fears of one kind or another is likely these days, especially where children and family enter the picture. Sometimes we must sacrifice certain things for others; such trade-offs can really show us what is important. Your place in the world is where your heart beats loudest.

**SAGITTARIUS (NOV 22 - DEC 21)**

Building your confidence and self esteem is now in focus. This includes ways you can better be of service, refining your skills and perhaps acquiring possessions. Your willingness to work for it is the obvious key. Working on having or tapping your faith is part of the job. Make things happen as you can for now. By mid February your energy will be higher. Outline all your skills and assets to know where you stand.

**GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUN 21)**

A process of purging old stuff, attitudes, illusions, delusions and/or perspectives is central now. Opening your heart and mind to seeing a bigger picture is a core theme. Seeing others clearly implies seeing yourself more clearly. What does it mean to be your own best friend? You cannot please all the people yet what goes around comes around. Establishing a healthy rhythm and routine will help clear the way for a new quality of expression.

**CAPRICORN (DEC 22 - JAN 19)**

Initiating new choices and actions is in the spotlight. Creating a stronger and more authentic sense of who you are continues. Old aspects of your self-concept and style of approach are changing steadily. This is a good time to try new things. Letting your imagination guide and playing with the possibilities is a good simple plan. Deciphering who is and is not a true friend could prove liberating. Explore new options.

**CANCER (JUN 22 - JUL 22)**

Initiating new connections and relationships, perhaps especially in terms of business, are a central theme now. An assertive, even rebellious mood continues to spur you on. That you would like a greater degree of independence right now may be a source of stress. This is a good time to consider important investments. However, getting the full measure of support you feel you need is questionable. Take your time yet establish prospects.

**AQUARIUS (JAN 20 - FEB 19)**

Working behind the scenes is the call now. This could be in your own home. Changes and renovations of some kind are likely. Dealing with restrictive relationships may be a source of grief. Whether to stay or go, deepen or end, are the questions in your mind. It may take a couple of months before you are clear enough to decide. This stands to be an expansive time overall, again in 6-8 weeks or so. Rest and retreat for now.

**LEO (JUL 23 - AUG 23)**

Making plans, brainstorming for profitable possibilities and constructive critical thinking characterize this time. Your confidence in yourself is high, yet external factors may be blocking a smoother flow. Your willingness to change your perspectives and approach will put you on track. Taking yourself seriously implies

**PISCES (FEB 20 - MAR 20)**

Getting real with your visions and perhaps your friends is in focus. Cultivating skills and intentions remains important. Look into learning you can do at home or nearby. This will continue all year. Keeping an open mind about what is possible and how to proceed is the key. This includes expanding your vision. It may take a while to gain a full measure of confidence, but that is the risk to take these days and it will grow steadily.

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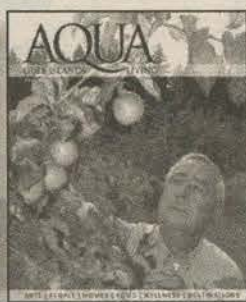
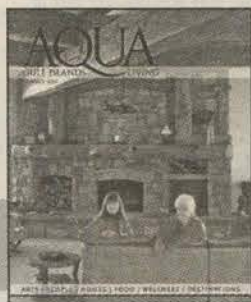
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# Business makes demands for stable climate

When industry groups start to sound like environmentalists, you know you've got either a big problem or a big opportunity. In the case of climate change, it's both.

At the recent ongoing United Nations climate conference in Montreal, a group representing some of Canada's largest corporations released a joint statement about the need to reduce the greenhouse gases that are overheating our atmosphere. But it wasn't a complaint that targets were too strict or that it couldn't be done, that the climate isn't really changing, or that taking action will crush the economy, or any number of other well-worn clichés.

Instead, it was a call for leadership. "To help us do more, we need policy certainty for post-2012," they wrote in a joint statement. "We need a strategy now for the next 50 years, with short and medium-term targets to guide us. Governments must set clear markers along the way to unleash competitive market forces and allow the discovery of a long-term value for carbon emission reductions."

The group calls itself the Executive Forum on Climate Change, and it includes companies such as Shell, Alcan, Dupont, Bombardier, Home Depot and many others. In a letter to the prime minister, they recognized the "consensus that climate change raises the risk of severe consequences for human health

## SCIENCE MATTERS

BY DAVID SUZUKI



scientists call "dangerous climate change," research is pointing to a need for substantial cuts to our emissions

— as much as 80 per cent by 2050.

Such dramatic change cannot be accomplished overnight — but it can be accomplished. I vividly remember when the Soviet Union shocked the world by launching Sputnik in the fall of 1957. In the succeeding months, the Soviets scored

first after first (first animal, first cosmonaut, first team, first woman) as the U.S. failed spectacularly to duplicate the first feat. But the U.S. didn't roll over and complain that a space race would ruin the economy. Instead, they committed themselves to winning it and look at the dividends today — the U.S. practically owns the Nobel prizes.

Effectively fighting climate change will require an initiative even greater than the space race. But this new race, the energy race, will pay off with even greater dividends. By learning to be more energy efficient,

we not only reduce greenhouse gas emissions, we also save money and we reduce pollution. By switching to renewable energy sources, we create long-term jobs and diversify our economy. We improve our quality of life.

Clear goals and timetables will help unleash the market

forces that will ultimately drive the creativity, ingenuity and inventiveness we need to move to a new energy economy. On this note, businesses and environmental groups are singing from the same song sheet. Let's hope our leaders are listening.

and security and the environment."

That's right, these huge companies all recognize that climate change is a big problem and that they are part of it. Now they want political leadership. They want certainty. They want a level playing field. They want to know what their targets should be and they want governments to set the markers for long-term greenhouse gas reductions.

Their concerns make a great deal of sense. Businesses need certainty. Investors want to know what the landscape will look like over the long term. They don't like surprises. As former chair of Shell Oil, Lord Ron Oxburgh, put it, "What we don't want to see is in two years' time the government simply becoming bored with climate change after we've invested a lot of our shareholders money."

That's why medium and long-term emissions targets are so important for businesses, or for anyone else planning for the future. The Kyoto Protocol effectively expires in 2012. And Kyoto was always going to be the first step towards much bigger changes. To prevent what

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 <p><b>Max Akerman</b> October 5, 2005 PARENTS: Ken and Brenda Akerman</p>	 <p><b>Jackson Allan</b> July 8, 2005 PARENTS: Peter Allan and Lynda Monk</p>	 <p><b>Amelia Grace Atkins</b> March 31, 2005 PARENTS: Will and Ashley Atkins</p>	 <p><b>Miranda Addyson Bantel</b> December 8, 2005 PARENTS: Carli Hay and Kyler Bantel</p>	 <p><b>James Jonathan Bateman</b> April 28, 2005 PARENTS: Jocelyn Ferguson &amp; John Bateman SUBMITTED: Robert Bateman &amp; Birgit Freybe Bateman</p>
 <p><b>Sydney Gabrielle Booker</b> September 18, 2005 PARENTS: Nick and Cherie Booker SUBMITTED BY: Jo &amp; Tony Booker</p>	 <p><b>Talulla Mae Cox</b> June 13, 2005 PARENTS: Adrian Cox &amp; Tracy Starnes SUBMITTED BY: Betsy Johnston &amp; Derek Hill</p> <p><b>Amelia Charley Hill</b> August 25, 2005 PARENTS: Greg Hill &amp; Tracey Lawrence</p>	 <p><b>Leam Divers</b> May 5, 2005 PARENTS: Param and Mel Divers</p>	 <p><b>Owen Field</b> April 6, 2005 PARENTS: James and Marilyn Field</p>	 <p><b>Jenna Lee Gaudet</b> August 27, 2005 PARENTS: Jennifer Savoie and Gilles Gaudet</p>
 <p><b>Coleston Harvey</b> September 28, 2005 PARENTS: Carmen Callison and Dan Harvey</p>	 <p><b>Connor Wayne Hengstler</b> February 9, 2005 PARENTS: Arnie &amp; Julia Hengstler SUBMITTED BY: Florence Whaley</p>	 <p><b>Mia Kerrigan</b> April 28, 2005 PARENTS: Neil and Sarah Kerrigan</p>	 <p><b>Sophia Marie Lam</b> September 5, 2005 PARENTS: Ramona and Huy Lam</p>	 <p><b>Mikayla Jade Little</b> March 13, 2005 PARENTS: Aaron and Robin Little</p>
 <p><b>William "Lugh" Annschild-Lovering</b> February 19, 2005 PARENTS: Mik Lovering &amp; Robin Annschild</p>	 <p><b>Isaac Marcotte</b> July 18, 2005 PARENTS: Ian and Sarah Marcotte</p>	 <p><b>Anya Neish</b> April 10, 2005 PARENTS: Alex and Donna Neish</p>	 <p><b>Aidan Niddrie</b> March 24, 2005 PARENTS: Jacky and Carter Niddrie SUBMITTED BY GREAT GRANDPARENT: Lynne Earwaker</p>	 <p><b>Brandan Reynolds</b> November 22, 2005 PARENTS: Dan Reynolds and Jennifer Bullach</p>
 <p><b>Davina Reynolds Burton</b> July 11, 2005 PARENTS: Maureen Reynolds and Jacob Burton</p>	 <p><b>Keith Ritenour</b> April 8, 2005 PARENTS: Monica Ritenour and Rick Underwood</p>	 <p><b>Taiyane Ruben</b> October 14, 2005 PARENTS: Robert and Arianne Ruben</p>	 <p><b>Anika Stanick</b> March 24, 2005 PARENTS: Jennifer and Ken Stanick SUBMITTED BY: Lynne Earwaker</p>	 <p><b>Lucca Trejo</b> December 11, 2005 PARENTS: Andromeda and Adrian Trejo</p>
 <p><b>Koen Tyson</b> January 29, 2005 PARENTS: Rick Tyson and Leanne Michelin</p>	 <p><b>Marijke Van Mil</b> April 28, 2005 PARENTS: Leslie and Meno Van Mil SUBMITTED BY: M. Lomas</p>	 <p><b>Keshua Kai Munneke Welch</b> May 1, 2005 PARENTS: Hughson Welch and Hanna Munneke</p>	 <p><b>Jada Woods</b> August 11, 2005 PARENT: Bree Woods</p>	 <p><b>Jacob Adler Ziola</b> March 3, 2005 PARENT: Amanda Ziola</p>