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**HAPPY HARVESTERS:** Britney Oswell, left, and Sam Bowen cut grapes from Salt Spring Vineyards vines in preparation for an October 28 Grape Harvest Ball that will raise funds for a Mozambique school and a local family program. See story, Page 28. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Earthquake shakes up GISS volleyball teams

By DAWN HAGE  
Driftwood Staff

A Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) volleyball contingent experienced a massive earthquake in Honolulu on Sunday.

With power out across the state, landslides and damage to public buildings and roads, the region was declared a disaster zone following the quake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale.

But the GISS boys and girls teams were fortunate the earthquake struck on the morning of their planned departure, giving them the advantage of packed bags and the ability to beat the crowds to the airport.

The 23 volleyball players and nine coaches and chaperones visited Hawaii for 10 days, and were set to leave early on October 15.

"We had our wake-up call

set for 7 a.m. and everyone was packed up the night before," said boys team coach Kellie Booth. "The earthquake hit at 7:07. It started as a little bit of a shake and then there was an extended period of shaking which got more severe towards the end."

"I thought that I was shaking at first," said Jess Harkema, a member of the girls team. "Then I stood up and felt really dizzy."

"I was asleep at the time and it woke me up," said player David Outerbridge. "I thought I was dreaming."

"The mattress was off my bed," he added. "It was really freaky."

"I thought I was going to die," added Avery Brown, another team member.

Although they were frightened, the kids responded to the quake in a well-trained

manner, proving that years of drills in school really do have an impact in an emergency situation.

"I thought, 'what do we do?'" said Harkema. "And then I remembered all the drills we had done in school and we went under the countertop and waited for 60 seconds."

Others, like volleyball players Brown and Emma Rimmer, grasped door frames, held hands and supported each other.

"The aftershock followed really quickly, almost without a break," said Rimmer's mother Daphne Taylor. "They were really scared and in a bit of shock. After it finally stopped shaking, they were thinking, 'thank goodness that part's over, but what do we do now?'"

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## Visiting diplomat commends island initiative

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Driftwood Staff

The newly appointed Lesothoan high commissioner to Canada said she believes the world needs more community to community projects like those sponsored by the Salt Spring Organization for Life Improvement and Development (SOLID).

"In my opinion, it is the best way," she said in an interview earlier this week from her Ottawa office. "You feel that you have a direct link. You know there is somebody thinking about you and somebody you can talk to in Canada."

SOLID is the driving force behind this weekend's Community to Community 2 (C2C2) conference at Gulf Islands Secondary School, where High Commissioner Motseoa Senyane will speak to participants about the ravages of HIV and AIDS on women and children in her home country.

Like most countries in sub-Saharan Africa, the Kingdom of Lesotho's two million people are struggling to cope with an HIV epidemic that directly affects nearly 30 per cent of the country's population. The average life expectancy is below 35 years and

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# Fire trustees eye south-end facility

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Driftwood Staff

Trustees from the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District (SSIFPD) agreed Monday night to start purchasing \$50,000 worth of materials for a training ground located behind the Fulford fire hall.

Meeting for their regular monthly meeting, trustees said the move represents "a step in the right direction" in efforts to construct a multi-purpose training facility in the Fulford Valley.

According to SSIFPD chair Ted Hinds, the plans comprise 30 per cent of what the department eventually hopes to develop if and when it obtains rezoning approval from the Islands Trust.

Trustee Bruce Patterson said construction is unlikely to begin until early 2007 when the SSIFPD receives more information on the sta-

tus of its rezoning application.

Holding off on equipment installation, he said, would save the district the cost of relocating materials should the department receive approval for a larger training ground in 2007.

Though Patterson said the SSIFPD's current land-use permit allows for the construction of training-related facilities on the fire hall property within 200 yards of Fulford-Ganges Road, the Islands Trust's regional planning manager John Gauld said he could not comment on the proposal's legality until he sees the training ground plans.

The scaled-down plan includes a foam pit, propane tank and piping, confined spaces training facility and a \$2,000 rescue dummy. Additional prop materials including lumber, steel drums, a

dumpster bin and a vehicle for car fires are also included in \$50,000 estimate.

Trustees said all equipment, except for two large semi-trailer-style storage containers located in front of the hall, will be hidden from view as best as possible.

"I'd just like to underline that this is a sustainable plan," said trustee Ken Lee, stressing the facility's low environmental impact.

"It is light years ahead of what we have now."

While the proposed yard is a step in the right direction, he said, the facility will lack a supplementary water tank, auto extrication site and classroom space.

SSIFPD trustees said they hope to eventually construct a state-of-the-art training ground to cut training costs and service the island's growing population.

Chair Hinds said the SSIF-

PD had no plans to use the facility to generate revenue for the district at this point.

According to an interview with fire chief Dave Enfield earlier this summer, it costs taxpayers an estimated \$120,000 to send the island's 35 volunteer firefighters off-island for live-fire training.

Figures released Monday evening indicate training accounts for \$45,000 of the district's overall \$1.3-million 2007 budget.

A complete training facility was estimated earlier this year to cost \$400,000, but rezoning of the Fulford land and exclusion from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) is required first.

In a separate decision, trustees voted to spend \$4,600 on application fees to initiate the Islands Trust zoning change and ALR exclusion.

# Fire budget cracks the million mark

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Driftwood Staff

The Salt Spring Island Fire Improvement District (SSIFPD) operating budget surpassed the million-dollar mark after trustees voted unanimously in favour of a 34 per cent budget increase for the 2007 fiscal year during their monthly board meeting at the Ganges fire hall Monday evening.

In a statement released by the SSIFPD public relations committee, members Mary Gillies and Mark Wyatt said increases stemmed largely from higher wages and benefits for the full-time staff, increased call volume, education and training expenses, plans for an on-island training facility and costs for the department's 10-year strategic plan.

At \$544,750, wages and benefits are the most pronounced costs, up significantly from last year's \$385,000. The additional funding originates from a

contract agreement signed between three of the force's full-time members and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) earlier this year.

Trustees said increases were necessary in order to bring the members into wage-parity with the rest of the province.

The Volunteer Firefighters Association represents the department's second-highest expense with a \$200,000 budget.

Board chair Ted Hinds said that after the SSIFPD reduced its 2006 deficit from \$33,000 to \$21,000 in the wake of last month's trustees meeting, the 2007 budget hike represents a "less than 20 per cent increase" over the actual 2006 operating budget.

By "massaging the numbers," Hinds said, trustees and fire chief Dave Enfield managed to reduce operating expenses without compromising the

public's safety.

According to Enfield, most new expenses stem not from incidental items but from integral operational needs caused by higher call volumes and an expanding department.

As of Monday evening, the department had received 532 calls since January, 79 more than the same period last year.

In spite of the increases, trustees reassured rate-payers they would see little, if any, upward movement to the mill rate. Final tax rates are expected later this year.

Trustee Ken Lee said he expects Salt Spring will retain one of the lowest mill rates in the province when it comes to funding fire protection services.

The 34 per cent increase follows fire district operating budget increases of 16 and 21 per cent over the past two years respectively.

# FAC sets focus on increasing ferry prices

A B.C. Ferries delegation scheduled to speak at this evening's Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting will address the prospect of further and more dramatic ferry fare increases.

"This is the first of the red flags when it comes to changes facing the smaller routes operated by B.C. Fer-

ries," said FAC chair Bob Jones.

He added potential fare increases "unlike any we have yet seen" stem from the company's decision to download costs from a new vessel building program to the fare structure of smaller routes.

New regulations prohibit B.C. Ferries from subsidiz-

ing smaller, less travelled routes with profits earned from more lucrative routes connecting Vancouver Island and the mainland.

In the end, Jones said, ferry fares for routes in the Southern Gulf Islands could end up spiralling out of control. Fee hikes of this magnitude, he added, would have severe impacts on island residents

and the region's tourist economy.

"We could see a savage increase in fares to all the minor routes. We have to make our MLAs aware of this," he said.

The meeting will take place tonight (Wednesday, October 18) at the Harbour House Hotel at 6:30 p.m.

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**CROSSWALK UPGRADES:** Road work around Ganges last week included the painting of several crosswalk lines. Seen here, from left, are Derek Murdoch, Trent Smith and "Ray" from S.C.H.O. Line painters. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## SOLID EVENT

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320,000 people are infected with HIV or AIDS.

The numbers tell a shocking tale, yet fail to impart how the disease has grown to impact nearly every aspect of life in Lesotho.

"It is always a difficult situation," she said.

"It is important to look at things continuously and not give up. I don't expect anything to happen soon, but I can almost say with certainty that change will happen in years to come."

Senyane has spent most of her career on the front lines, working with NGOs to get help to those who need it most.

Taking up the position of high commissioner only three months ago, she said, gives her a different take on the numerous crises facing her country.

"I entered politics to understand why some decisions are so hard to get along with," she said. "The policies do not always address the issues that are there."

Red tape and administra-

tion costs associated with large government initiatives, she added, often get in the way of targets.

This is where community to community partnerships help cut down on overhead costs and help get people more involved.

"Instead of bringing in new answers, these groups are working with the local community to finish existing projects," she said.

Senyane said she is "nicely surprised" after seeing the efforts of volunteers behind SOLID and similar groups like it across Canada working throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

SOLID's projects in Lesotho include an orphanage, several community agriculture groups and a craft centre to help support local artisans.

From her role as high commissioner, Senyane said she will try to spread more awareness about her country to Canadians and try to encourage her government

to spend more on education and health.

She is scheduled to speak on gender issues and HIV/AIDS, alongside Dr. Philip Berger, a Canadian doctor who has recently returned from Lesotho, and Dr. Julio Montaner, president-elect of the International AIDS Society. CBC journalist Kathryn Gretsinger will moderate the discussion in the GISS multipurpose room beginning Saturday at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10.

Senyane will also host a Saturday afternoon plenary session at the C2C2 conference called Building Connections.

For a full schedule of events, visit [www.solid-salt-spring.com](http://www.solid-salt-spring.com) or the SOLID office at 125 McPhillips Avenue, or see last week's Driftwood for the four-page SOLID pull-out.

While conference registration is required to attend all workshop sessions, both Friday and Saturday night panels are open to all for a \$10 cost.

## Early booking advised

This weekend's Community to Community 2 conference offers an incredible opportunity to get involved with finding global solutions to the escalating AIDS crisis on a community level.

There's still time to register for the October 20-22 conference set for Gulf Islands Secondary School and hear inspirational community leaders from Lesotho, South Africa, Swaziland, Kenya and Tanzania.

To get in touch with the many developing projects, organizations and individuals working for change, register for the conference by visiting <http://www.solid-salt-spring.com/C2C2.html>, calling 537-0863 or dropping by the SOLID office at 125 McPhillips Avenue in Ganges.

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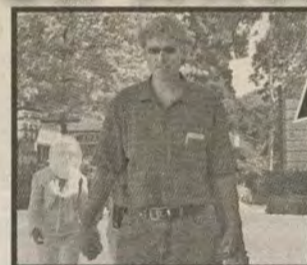
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# Library campaign edges close to goal

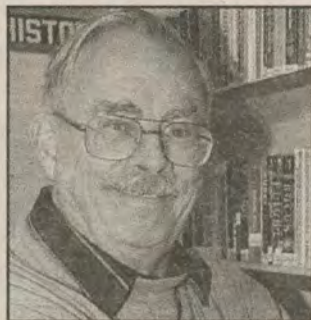
The Salt Spring library's bid to pay off a land loan has hit the 90 per cent mark, and is within striking distance of its \$250,000 objective.

"The library's land acquisition campaign has now raised just over \$225,000," said Pat Byrne, chair of the Friends of the Salt Spring Library group in charge of raising the funds.

"Because of two very substantial gifts and a large number of smaller but still most-appreciated donations, an additional \$50,000 has been contributed since our mid-August report to the community."

Last fall the library board said it would attempt to raise \$250,000 if voters approved the purchase of the proposed site.

The balance of the purchase price was covered by CRD borrowing approved in last November's referendum and by fully utilizing the library's already existing taxing authority. This combi-



Pat Byrne: Friends of the Salt Spring Library chair.

nation leaves the library with reserve money in its building fund to cover some of the design start-up costs.

Byrne is delighted but not all that surprised by the degree of community support so far demonstrated.

"The significant number of contributors to date shows that Salt Spring residents realize the future of the library is a shared community responsibility. Between now and the end-of-campaign celebration — to be held at ArtSpring on Sunday

afternoon, November 12 — I am confident we will raise our \$250,000 goal. However, this will only be done if more Salt Spring residents make that contribution they have been thinking about for some time. To prove we have the support of the community for our infrastructure grant applications, we need as many donations, be they large or small, as possible."

With land acquisition assured, the library board's long-range planning committee is now moving on to new challenges.

"As the land acquisition campaign draws to a close, we have resumed work on the design of the new building," said library board chair Duncan Hepburn.

"While we don't yet have to bring things to the final 'blueprint stage,' we do have to provide enough detail to support our application for a federal-provincial infrastructure grant. Once the amount of grant support is

known, another referendum will be held seeking taxpayer support to cover both the remaining costs of construction and the operating costs of the larger facility.

"It's a long process that will involve community input, but in the end we'll have a 'Salt Spring appropriate' library that will meet the community's needs for years to come."

Once again the library board and the Friends of the Salt Spring Library remind the community that the current land acquisition campaign is the only public appeal for construction-related support.

As is true of many other Salt Spring organizations, there will be more modest library "annual giving" campaigns in 2007 and subsequent years.

However, current planning calls for the actual costs of building construction being covered entirely by grants and the special tax levy.

**What's On?**  
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# All hands set to contribute to Nov. library celebration party

A community party "in the finest Salt Spring tradition" is set for the afternoon of Sunday, November 12 at ArtSpring.

Everyone will be welcome to celebrate the official end of the library's land acquisition campaign between 2 and 4 p.m.

The campaign's honorary fundraising chair and three-time Leacock award winner, Arthur Black, will entertain with words of wit in his inimitable style. Valdy will also add a musical dimension to the party.

A small but select silent auction with items to include

an autographed book by Robert Bateman (with a Bateman drawing of a small bird inside the front cover) will also take place. Door prizes will be available for the lucky few and wine and nibbles for everyone.

Lyda Smith is coordinating the party on behalf of the joint library board/Friends of the Library fundraising committee.

She wants everyone to know the party is open to anyone interested in attending — whether or not they chose to donate to the land acquisition campaign.

"This is a celebration of

the library and all the many ways it contributes to the community. It is also a celebration of both the spoken and the sung word. One of its purposes is to honour those who have either already contributed to the land acquisition campaign or will do so between now and November 12. However, contributions to the library are made in kind as well as cash. For example, some 150 Salt Spring residents are library volunteers. That's another kind of donation, one made each and every week, and it also will be recognized at this party."

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# Terra Firma builder ready to appear on Suzuki's Nature of Things show

Salt Spring Islanders may catch a glimpse of world-renowned environmentalist David Suzuki and a film crew this week, as rammed earth builder Meror Krayenhoff and his homes are part of a "green building" Nature of Things episode.

Krayenhoff, who heads Terra Firma Builders Ltd., will be featured, along with developer Joe van Bellingham, whose projects include Dockside Green in Victoria, and Vancouver architect Peter Busby.

While on Salt Spring Friday and Saturday, Suzuki will get a tour of some Terra Firma houses on the island.

"We also want to get him in the forms ramming," adds

**"It comes out in six languages, it has a really big audience and [Suzuki] is a great guy."**  
- Meror Krayenhoff

Krayenhoff.

The islander is excited about the chance to "spread the word" about rammed earth building via a film that should reach an international audience.

"It comes out in six languages, it has a really big audience and [Suzuki] is a

great guy. He's just the best champion for the environmental movement imaginable. He's so articulate," said Krayenhoff.

"I spent a full day with the producer so she has an idea of what I'm up to and I'm hoping I get to have some of my ideas put out into the bigger world."

The 60-minute show won't be aired on CBC's The Nature of Things until the late summer or early fall of 2007.

Last weekend Krayenhoff and his team hosted an introductory rammed earth course attended by 18 people. Terra Firma buildings have also won numerous construction industry awards in recent years.

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# Ganges coast guard vessel christened

It's been in service for nearly a year, but the federal government waited until last weekend to hold the official naming and dedication ceremony for Salt Spring Island's new Canadian Coast Guard (CCG) vessel.

Federal fisheries and oceans minister Loyola Hearn, First Nations representatives such as Tseycum Chief Vern Jacks and CCG personnel such as Ganges CCG officer in charge Sid Jones, and Capt. Duke Snider, were on hand for the event, which included a cedar bough blessing by Tseycum First Nation dancers.

The 47-foot multi-task high-speed lifeboat vessel Cape Kuper is one of 24 new vessels patrolling Canadian waters as part of a federal government initiative to ensure Coast Guard crews are ready and able to respond when danger strikes, according to a news release.

The lifeboats are each named after prominent capes located on the coast where they operate. Cape Kuper is in the Queen Charlotte Islands. The naming and dedication of the CCGC Cape Kuper represents the



**BLESSED BOAT:** Tseycum First Nation dancers use cedar boughs to bless Canadian Coast Guard cutter Cape Kuper at the Institute of Ocean Sciences in North Saanich. Watching from the cutter are IOC Sid Jones, Cpt. Duke Snider, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Loyola Hearn, Tseycum Chief Vern Jacks and vessel sponsor Roberta Jimmy.

Photo by Laura Lavin/Peninsula News Review

completion of one of the largest aluminum boat-building projects in Canada.

The \$60-million project was undertaken by Victoria Shipyards.

Most of the boats will be used in search and rescue

operations along the British Columbia coast.

"The high volume of commercial and recreational vessel traffic in the Pacific region brings hundreds of calls for assistance each year," said federal Minister of Fisheries

and Oceans Loyola Hearn, who attended a dedication ceremony in Sidney on Friday. "Lifeboats like the Cape Kuper and the talented crews who run them are the foundation of Canada's search and rescue system."

## Few queries on four-day week

By SEAN MCINTYRE  
Driftwood Staff

Trustees pushing to restore the five-day week were mildly surprised when only one person turned out for a consultation session following last week's school district meeting on Pender Island.

"I would have hoped people would be more passionate," said Salt Spring school trustee Wolfgang Temmel. "This is our third year into it and nobody has gotten clobbered by pieces of the sky falling down and we don't see ignorant children running throughout the streets, so maybe they've accepted it."

Temmel said that while people may have adapted to the new schedule, the shorter week's long-term consequences remain unknown.

When the Gulf Islands School District adopted the shorter school week as a cost-saving measure before the 2004-05 school year, Pender Island parents proved particularly outspoken against the changes, so last week's poor turnout is

especially significant.

Monthly consultation meetings were initiated after Pender Island school trustee and five-day week proponent Pete Williams forwarded a notice of motion concerning proposed calendar changes at the trustees' September meeting.

Speaking during the session, secretary treasurer Rod Scotvold said the district would have to cut upwards of \$400,000 in programs and expenses to restore the regular school week.

Increasing transportation costs, he added, only stand to compound budget problems facing the district.

"The majority of the challenges would likely be absorbed by the middle school," he said.

Other potential targets included any classes not required for student graduation, such as Literature 12, First Nations 12, and essentially "all the things that probably keep kids in our schools in the first place."

School board chair May McKenzie said she wasn't

surprised by the low turnout on Pender, but expects debate will mount as the annual four-day week decision's spring deadline draws nearer.

She noted the island's two Parent Advisory Council (PAC) representatives were on hand and voiced no concern. McKenzie did not rule out giving Pender Island residents another opportunity to voice their opinions on the matter, even though no further board meetings are scheduled for the island this school year.

"We'll wait and see as the time draws nearer," she said, stressing the need to examine more unknowns such as final budget numbers and enrollment projections when they become available in the spring. "If we get feedback from PAC, then we could certainly go over there and we would do that in any community."

The next school board meeting is scheduled for November 8 at 1 p.m. at Salt Spring Elementary School.

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee

Wednesday, October 18, 2006  
6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Harbour House Hotel, Ganges

The Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee is holding a meeting as noted above. Members of the public are welcome to attend. If you have any questions you wish to raise with the committee or with BC Ferries, please bring these to the attention of a committee member prior to the meeting. The Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee is appointed by local governments to advise BC Ferries on local ferry issues. The committee also advises the Company periodically on broader policy and service issues.

#### Agenda items for this meeting include:

- Coast Card Update
- Performance Term Two – Coastal Ferry Services Contract

Minutes of committee meetings are available on BC Ferries' website at [www.bcferrries.com](http://www.bcferrries.com).

The following persons may be contacted as members of your ferry advisory committee:

Chair, Bob Jones; Gary Holman; Janice Harkley; Bryan Denton;  
Lorne Bunyan; Bruce Patterson; Harold Swierenga and George Ehring.

For more information, contact one of the committee members (above) or Betsy Terpsma, Community Relations Manager at (604) 948-3580 or by email: [betsy.terpsma@bcferrries.com](mailto:betsy.terpsma@bcferrries.com).

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## Local judge gives credit to recovering meth addict

A Ganges Provincial Court judge issued a pair of suspended sentences to a former crystal meth addict charged with two counts of assault after it was deemed he had taken "considerable steps" to reclaim his life after the incidents.

Police charged Lorn Nelson after he assaulted a male nurse at Victoria's Royal Jubilee Hospital while he was receiving treatment for minor injuries sustained in a street fight on December 17, 2005.

Three weeks later, on January 3, 2006 police arrested Nelson a second time after he struck and uttered death threats to a security guard in downtown Victoria.

"Both circumstances are very similar," said Crown counsel Barb Penty. "I don't know what leads him to behave in this way."

Police apprehended Nelson on October 6 in Ganges where he has been living with friends for the previous four months.

Nelson, 36, has no prior convictions and said he moved to the island once he learned he had contracted hepatitis C during his 10-month crystal meth habit.

"I tried rehab in Victoria but the only way I could do it was to get away," he told the court. "I feel like I'm at home here and have a really good network of supportive friends."

Defence lawyer Tybring Hemphill urged the court to acknowledge Nelson's attempts clean himself up.

"It's not an easy thing to get off of these kinds of drugs and he's shown a fairly strong commitment to do so," said Hemphill.

Justice Robert Higinbotham said Nelson's ability to "reconsider his lifestyle" and obtain part-time work as a stone mason played a significant role in his judgment.

"I think Mr. Nelson deserves some actual credit for what he's been able to do," said the judge.

Nelson must attend substance abuse counselling and perform 40 hours of community service as part of his one-year probationary sentence.

#### In other court news:

• A young Salt Spring man charged with operating a vehicle while impaired and driving while prohibited received fines totalling \$1,100, a one-year driving suspension and little sympathy, despite a guilty plea at Ganges Provincial Court last week.

Charges date back to back to the night of March 25, 2006 when police first observed William Troy Kitchen driving his dark-coloured Ford Bronco suspiciously slow along North End Road.

According to Crown

counsel Barb Penty, police pursued the vehicle to a driveway only to discover its occupants had fled the scene. Officers took Kitchen's father into custody for being drunk in a public place after they found him laying face down amidst some nearby bushes.

Within a half-hour, Kitchen appeared at the RCMP detachment demanding his father be released.

Penty said police reports indicate Kitchen "appeared angry and aggressive with members before leaving the detachment."

RCMP officers charged Kitchen after catching him behind the wheel of his truck in the Salt Spring Legion parking lot no more than 10 minutes after leaving the station. A breathalyzer test revealed Kitchen had a blood alcohol level of .140.

Four months later, Kitchen was charged with driving while prohibited after RCMP caught him attempting to evade police by driving the same vehicle into another driveway at 10 p.m. on July 6.

RCMP officers detained Kitchen after he blew consecutive breath samples of .10 and .08 milligrams.

"I don't know what was going on in your mind but it was a rather stupid thing to do," said Justice Robert Higinbotham after rendering his decision.

## Moth trap info not yet available

Islanders will have to wait until the end of October to get a clear idea of how successful the alternate gypsy moth control program has been in ridding the island of gypsy moths.

Volunteers and Ministry of Forests and Range representatives examined the 2,200-plus traps collected from the Lee's Hill area together on Saturday, October 14.

A number of moths were found in the traps, but it is not known at this time whether or not any of them are gypsy moths. The traps have been sent to Victoria for examination by a taxonomist with the Canadian Forestry Service.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency also has a grid of gypsy moth traps on the island.

Results from both sets of traps are taken into account when the provincial gypsy moth committee makes its decision about whether or not action needs to be taken to eradicate the moth on Salt Spring, and what kind of action that might be.

"I was really hoping to have a clear idea of what direction the government was likely to go in today," said volunteer co-ordinator Leslie Wallace.

"It's going to be a long two weeks."

Depending on the results

of the mass trapping program carried out on the island and the CFIA trap results, the Ministry of Forests and Range could order an overhead pesticide spray program for Salt Spring in 2007, or the mass trapping of male gypsy moths might be repeated next year, perhaps in combination with other more area-specific controls such as ground spraying and an egg mass search.

No action is another possibility.

People wanting the most immediate update can go to [www.savesaltspring.com](http://www.savesaltspring.com) and be put on the gypsy moth mailing list.

## Extra week for biz award nominations

Islanders have one more week to send in their nominations for the First Annual Salt Spring Island Business Awards.

While a number of nominations have been received so far, event sponsors would like to see more on the table, so the deadline is now Monday, October 23.

People can pick up brochures outlining the criteria for the seven categories at the cham-

ber and Driftwood offices, Island Savings or online [www.saltspringtoday.com](http://www.saltspringtoday.com).

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# Channel Ridge ecosystem aids learning

By **STACY CARDIGAN SMITH**  
Driftwood Staff

Approximately 30 island students from Grades 3, 4 and 5 participated in a nature hike through Channel Ridge last Wednesday, made possible through the Salt Spring Island Conservancy.

Students represented the last of seven classes to make the hike, said Jean Gelwicks, chair of the conservancy's school committee and a member of the board.

In small groups of five students for every one or two volunteers or teachers, students travelled between 15 stations. There they learned everything from how to age a tree by counting the rings to how to identify First Nations middens, to facts such as native peoples used to burn off the grasses to promote the growth of camas bulbs, one of their only forms of starch.

Students were thrilled to be out of the class and learning about their environment. Most agreed that the field trip was fun, but Grade 3 student Gabe Gold said it still felt like work: "Cause you get to learn different things . . . it feels like we're still in the class."

The day proved to be fun for both young and old. Seventy-five-year-old volunteer Lois Sprague had a great time educating and keeping up with her group of five extremely energetic kids.

"The hardest part is coming up the hill at the beginning," said Sprague, referring to the 35-minute hike in, before adding, "and they get tired because they have knapsacks."

Students learn many skills on the trip.

"Every year we're going to add a bit of knowledge about



**CONSERVANCY TRIP:** Grade 4 student Emma Lewis ages a tree by counting rings on a field trip to Channel Ridge.

Photo by Stacy Cardigan Smith

how to use the compass," said Gelwicks. The students learn how to read which way is north by putting "the red in the shed," and stop a number of times on the hike to make sure everyone gets the same reading. Although this represented many students' first experience with a compass, Grade 4 student Dexter Nash was way ahead of the learning curve. "I just knew [how to use a compass]. My parents taught me. We got lost a couple times . . ."

Another major skill the children learn is to recognize and appreciate their surroundings.

"One of the big skills we are trying to instill in them is to be observant," said Gelwicks.

One way they do this is by observing and drawing the various kinds of moss that grow in an area the size of a footprint, a task that ranked

high on Grade 4 student Kai Kikuchi's favourite events of the day. He lingered at the station, carefully completing his drawing.

"I like finding the mosses because it is kind of fun," said Kikuchi.

Conservancy-run school programs have been going on for the past three years. They began with students from Grades 6 and 7 who were taken to the Andreas Vogt Nature Reserve. The venture was such a success the conservancy applied for a grant to take students in Grades 4 and 5 the following year. However, the conservancy didn't just take these students on one trip, they took them on three.

"We were really optimistic in everything we could do," said Gelwicks. "We kind of bit off more than we could chew," she said, referring to the over 50 volunteers it took to facilitate the

program last year.

The Grade 4-5 kids were taken on three separate field trips to study the ecology of each unique location. They studied the wetlands at Ford Lake, went to Burgoyne Bay for a beach program, and finally to Channel Ridge, where they learned about arbutus, Douglas fir and Garry oak trees.

Last Wednesday's trip represented the last in the series for this group.

Eventually, the conservancy hopes to run similar programs for students from Grades 2 to 8, "so everyone starts to understand their own backyard and what is important about it," said Gelwicks. "My motto is 'by wonder we are saved.'"

Gelwicks hopes this type of programming will become a permanent part of the school curriculum, extinguishing the need to "continuously apply for funding."



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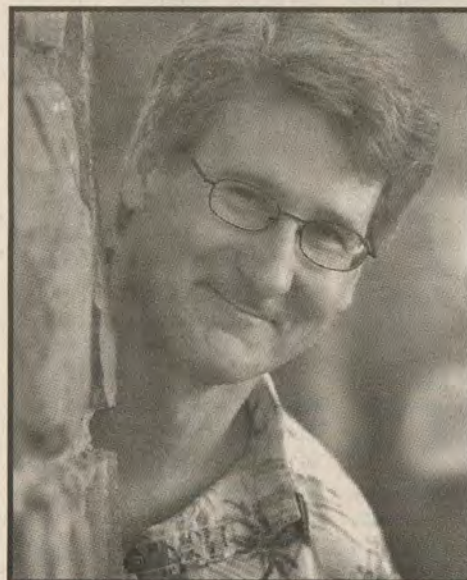
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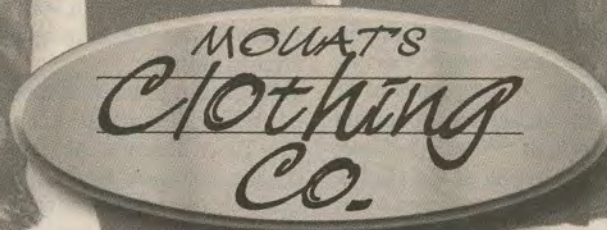
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## Keep pressure on

Response to a recent roadside protest by island seniors was impressive.

While some members of the group were no strangers to the public protest scene, it was probably not the normal Wednesday routine for most of them.

It was likely the catalyst for a much-welcome visit by a cross-walk painting crew, funded by the provincial transportation ministry, which was further assured by communication between our MLA Murray Coell and his colleague, transportation minister Kevin Falcon.

Judging by the buzz around the island, the push will be on to get more results.

The seniors' population in the upper Ganges area has grown by leaps and bounds this year, as residents move into Heritage Place and the Greenwoods assisted living facility, joining those already in Meadowbrook on Atkins Road and closer-to-Ganges complexes such as Croftonbrook and Pioneer Village.

Planning for and bringing to fruition seniors housing on Salt Spring has been a success story over the years, utilizing both public and private resources. It makes sense for the building locations to facilitate on-foot access to essential services, reduce reliance on vehicles and to maintain residents' health through walking.

But without sidewalks, some seniors are understandably reluctant to hit the streets on foot in that area more than they have to.

Sidewalks will eventually come, either when Salt Spring becomes a municipality and a council votes to spend money on such things, or when new federal gas-tax funding that can be used for transportation infrastructure makes its way down the Capital Regional District chain in a way that has visible impact.

The first chunk of that funding is in place for Salt Spring, but only for a "conceptual plan" of improvements, which must be done first. That means it'll be a long while before the money translates into new cement or any other element of concrete change.

In the meantime, any other safety-enhancing ideas should be pursued by private or public means and, as we've said before, drivers must be more aware, cautious and cut their speed as they motor through town.

## Next B.C. Ferries' contract is on ferry committee radar

By JOHN SPRUNGMAN

Decisions which will determine the fares and the level of ferry service for Quadra and Cortes islands and the rest of the B.C. coast from 2008 to 2012 will be made by the provincial government over the next six to nine months.

It has become clear that the corporate structure the government created for B.C. Ferries in 2003 has disadvantaged coastal communities by freezing service levels and significantly increasing fares without giving us an effective way to have our concerns heard.

Ferry advisory committees (FACs), nominated by and including many elected local government representatives from all over

### VIEW POINT

the B.C. coast, are now focussed on influencing the conditions and price caps the government will specify in the second performance term (PT2) of the Coastal Ferry Services Contract which will take effect April 1, 2008.

As chair of the Campbell River-Quadra-Cortes FAC, I attended the annual general meeting of B.C. Ferries in Victoria on September 21-22 and met with the chairs of 11 other FACs.

Together we represented all of B.C. Ferries' routes from the Southern Gulf Islands to Prince

Rupert except the Mainland-Vancouver Island ferries. We also met for several hours with B.C. Ferries president and CEO David Hahn and a number of his executives.

The information we gleaned from these meetings and from talking with each other made it abundantly clear that it is a high priority for coastal communities to establish a process for direct consultation between FACs and the provincial government so we have a say in the future of our ferry services.

To pursue this, we will return to Victoria on November 17 to meet with officials of the Ministry of Transportation. Meanwhile, our local FAC is meeting with B.C. Ferries management from noon

to 4 p.m. on Friday, October 20 at the Maritime Heritage Centre in Campbell River. This is a public meeting. Concerns regarding our local ferry service also may be sent, phoned or emailed to any member of the committee. See the adjoining list of members with their contact info.

Seven members of our FAC had an informative meeting on Quadra on September 15 with ferry commissioner Martin Crilly. Since many of our FAC members are new, it was helpful to get an overview of the structure the government imposed on our ferry system.

Having been a FAC member since 1997, I know the Coastal Ferry Act was legislated without

any consultation with us or with the public.

I would like to thank all of the fine people who work on our ferries and in our terminals for their efforts over the summer to manage the heavy traffic we experienced. It is not an easy task under time pressure to deal with the number of overloads we have. We need some creative efforts to reduce the problems next summer, and the people who work on the ships and on shore must be involved for us to find solutions.

*The writer is chair of the Campbell River-Quadra-Cortes FAC. Salt Spring's FAC is holding a public meeting with B.C. Ferries tonight (Wed., Oct. 18) at the Harbour House at 6:30 p.m.*

## Ignoring 9/11 evidence is completely counter-productive

By MATT JOHNSON

In response to Ken Rouleau's article last week — truth trumps opinion? I wish.

Mark Twain once said, "A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is still putting on its shoes." Looks like this 9/11 conspiracy theory has been around the world a few times.

The crash site where Flight 77 flew into the Pentagon on September 11, 2001 is totally consistent with other crash sites of large 757-type aircraft. Although there were no large pieces of debris left from the plane, small pieces were found scattered outside of the Pentagon. There are photographs, not many, but there are some, and they are available on the net. Of course you won't see them on pro-conspiracy sites, as they only publish the photos that support their hypothesis.

### IN RESPONSE

Most of us have had little experience or exposure to high-speed aircraft collisions. The majority of crash photos we see are of planes that have crashed shortly after takeoffs or during landings where there are large pieces of the fuselage still intact. People would be shocked at how little wreckage remains after a high-speed impact. If you look at photos of test crashes you will see the complete disintegration of the planes after hitting the barriers at speeds upwards of 500 m.p.h. Look on the internet at the photos of the Sandia crash test of an F-4 or the photos from the December 5, 2005 crash of a C-130 into an apartment

building in Iran.

Conspiracy theorists seem to dismiss the dozens of eyewitness accounts from that day that corroborate the "official" version of events at the Pentagon. And I must ask the question: If it wasn't a plane, where did all the people go who were on Flight 77? Wouldn't it just have been easier for the conspirators to actually crash the plane into the Pentagon? Instead they would choose to hijack it, divert it, hide or kill everyone on the flight and then somehow manage to fire a missile (from somewhere?) into the Pentagon? Highly unlikely.

Regarding the collapses of WTC Building 7 and the Twin Towers, no laws of physics were broken. In fact, it's the laws of physics that help tell us it was not a controlled demolition. When buildings are demolished the

explosives are detonated at all significant structural points simultaneously. The building then collapses all at once from all detonated locations.

This clearly doesn't happen with the towers. They collapsed by pancaking onto themselves which is very unlike a controlled demolition. I'm sure Mr. Rouleau might then counter by saying that the building was rigged to begin collapsing from the top down.

However, what are the chances of planning such a complicated demolition? Without being able to predict exactly where the planes were going to impact the towers, how could they prepare the buildings to fall at those precise locations??

Mr. Rouleau's statement that WTC lease-holder Larry Silverstein gave the OK to demolish WTC Building 7 is misleading. When Mr.

Silverstein was told of the predicted collapse of Building 7 because of severe damage to the south side of the building, he said to the fire department commander on site to "pull it" — meaning pull the remaining firefighters out of the building, not pull the building down as if there was some sort of pre-planned demolition.

And there are photographs of the extensive fire and structural damage of Building 7. It's interesting that the south wall of the building collapsed first which is consistent with the area of the building that was structurally damaged, again making the demolition hypothesis unlikely as the conspirators would have to predict exactly where debris from the Twin Towers would strike Building 7.

Evidence for a massive 9/11 conspiracy is weak, contradictory and mostly non-existent. It has been

torn apart by various independent reviews. ("9/11 Debunking the Myths," Popular Mechanics, March 2005 is one of the best.)

My distaste for the current administration in the U.S. is massive and I'm sure is shared by many. However, I do not need to use an anti-intellectual hypothesis of a massive conspiracy to find solace over my dismay of America's foreign policy nightmare.

Questioning, investigating and pursuing the truth are important and meaningful endeavours, but Ken, please let the evidence lead you to the truth. Ignoring actual evidence and using misleading and selective photographs to support your opinion on the current U.S. administration is counter-productive and embarrassing.

*The writer is a Salt Spring Island resident.*

# SALT SPRING SAYS

**We asked:** How are you reacting to recent reports of vandalism and theft on Salt Spring?



**Marjie Radford**

*I like to hide my head in the sand and think Salt Spring is still a safe place to live.*



**Pamela Booth**

*I always lock my doors. When there are more people, change will follow.*



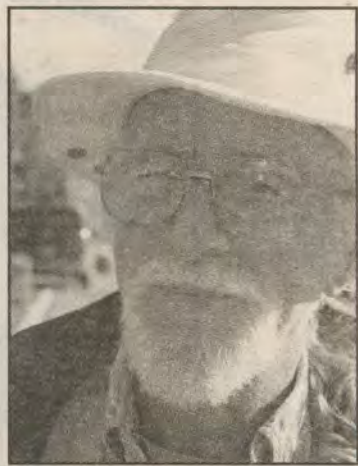
**Lisa Gardner**

*Our family still goes about our daily business and I believe the island is still a coveted place to live.*



**Jan Lonbard**

*I recently moved here from South Africa and I don't think Canadians really know what crime is.*



**Roy Brewer**

*I won't change my life. I figure we are a microcosm of a macrocosm. It doesn't matter where you go, you're going to get crime.*

## Letters to the Editor

### Road solution

Regarding pedestrian safety, I've been in communities that have upgraded driver awareness that a person is crossing a road.

Like many Salt Springers, I would like to see a continuation of no traffic lights on our precious island; at least for the foreseeable future. Envision our home turning into Vancouver! At the same time, road crossers of all ages must be safe. Much of the year, light traffic assures that our island can enjoy its beauty and safety.

A method that has achieved real success, along with genuinely effective community education, has been the painting of wide, bright crosswalks. To further increase crosswalk safety, smart communities have embedded small lights in the road surface at a busy crosswalk. They are unobtrusive when not in use. They are triggered either automatically or manually by a pedestrian who desires to walk

across the road.

I should expect that B.C. Hydro might consider funding such road safety improvement, or at least its operation costs. In fact, let's urge B.C. Hydro to increase its good community neighbour role? Same with the Ganges Village Market shopping centre.

When these excellent safety aids do brightly flash, with more than sufficient lead time for oncoming traffic and duration, only a blind person could possibly miss the warning that a person is crossing ahead. I genuinely doubt that many legally blind persons drive cars on a regular basis. See [http://www.crosswalks.com/html/homepage\\_howworks.html](http://www.crosswalks.com/html/homepage_howworks.html) for more information.

**DENNIS TUZZIO,**  
Fulford

### Incorporation now

Don't get too old on Salt Spring, especially if you cannot drive anymore or are handicapped.

We taxpayers own eight school buses, but taxpayers can't use them.

But worst of all there are no sidewalks. I challenge all politicians to take a wheelchair ride from Lady Minto Hospital to Mouat's. This could become an exciting spectacle — perhaps a TV reality program, far better than the Survivor programs watching people eat rodents. Imagine the excitement and crowds to cheer and hiss as our politicians rocket in, out and around traffic. Will it be a cardiac arrest or a sticky end? This would attract worldwide attention. Imagine Bush, Bin Laden, and the short chap with tall hair from North Korea competing to see who survives.

If you do not agree that incorporation is for us, perhaps independence under a benevolent dictator (Arthur Black) or a monarch (me).

How about we change our name to Microsoft Island with Bill Gates as our leader? Sidewalks, roads, tun-

nels, all our problems would cease. Perhaps an NHL franchise — imagine the Arbutus Leafs against the Toronto Maple Leafs.

For further excitement, try driving on Churchill Road several times day, avoiding potholes and overgrown trees and blackberry bushes, all the while eyeing up escape routes from the time trial race drivers.

But back to our problems: four levels of government and umpteen committees and boards. After living here for 36 years, island life is not improving. Support incorporation, please!  
**JACK ALBHOUSE,**  
Churchill Road

### Turn world around

Raffi has a beautiful song called Turn This World Around — “for the children, turn this world around.”

We look at where we're headed — increasing gaps between rich and poor, unimaginably horrible cli-

mate perturbations, war without end, the banalization of torture . . .

We look at where we want to go: get off our addictions to unsustainable and toxic products, extend love and help from our families and local communities to people living with AIDS, to each other in times of crisis, to the earth we love. Yes, let's “turn this world around!”

Who's going to help us do that? It's clear it won't be the Conservative party (“cons.”) Last Tuesday Harper announced the cons' “Green Plan” in Vancouver.

The Toronto Star's Susan Delacourt remarked: “The urgency behind coming up with an environmental plan seems to revolve around maintaining support in Quebec, where the Conservatives took a big hit in the polls this summer over their foreign policy and lack of support for the Kyoto climate change accord.”

The Globe and Mail's Jeffrey Simpson accused the

prime minister of “blowing a lot of hot air.”

Indeed, their efforts seem clearly to be aimed at confusing people on the issue of climate change. They have taken down a frequently used web page explaining global warming and are clearly trying to undermine the Kyoto protocol. Meanwhile, they run government-funded ads to convince people they are getting tough on air pollution.

As another G&M writer, John Ibbitson, reasoned, they must have hoped to garner support from urban voters facing increasingly severe smog problems. But, he continues, “When it comes to fighting bad air, he [Harper] is . . . just another disappointment.” There are many people, even in politics, working to “turn this world around.” They deserve our support. The “cons” do not.

**JAN SLAKOV,**  
Salt Spring

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## Canada doesn't have stomach for war; leave donuts at home

Next week I will be accompanying my father to the nation's capital, where we will visit the new National War Museum, overlooking the Ottawa River. My father wants to pay his respects while his health still allows him to travel. He is a proud war vet.

He has every right to be proud. William Vincent flew an RCAF DeHavillan Mosquito night fighter in WW2. Battle of Britain. Normandy. D-Day. He was there, in the air. After the war, he rose up through the ranks to become Air Vice Marshall Vincent on little more than a high school education and a lot of hard work.

He belongs to a different generation, a generation that fought a traditional kind of war. They call WW2 “The Big One” for good reason. Big armies. Big causes. You could recognize your enemy. They generally wore uniforms, had flags on their ships. There was a certain esprit de corps.

Things are different now. Since the Vietnam War, there are no grand battles whose outcome will decide a war, no bagpipes leading

### HEAD TO HEAD

BY PETER VINCENT



our boys into battle. The enemy could be that sweet little girl holding a covered basket at the side of the road. Do we have the stomach for this?

I just watched a documentary entitled Gunner Palace, filming U.S. troops on the ground in Iraq. In one memorable segment, bombs had gone off outside a couple of mosques on a Muslim holy day. U.S. medivacs raced to the scene to transport wounded Iraqis to hospitals. They were pelted with stones, chairs, anything that wasn't tied down.

“Winning the hearts and minds of the Iraqis” doesn't seem to be working. Canadian soldiers seem to be experiencing the same in Afghanistan.

At the time of this writing, 40 Canadians have been killed over there, most of that number in the past few months. Number 39 and 40 were providing security for road builders, when a bomb under a cardboard box detonated.

Number 38 was riding on routine patrol in an RG 31, considered the gold-standard vehicle, the envy of all the U.N. troops over there, when it hit a mine. There is no “safe house.”

On March 4, Vancouver native Lieut. Trevor Greene and a number of other soldiers were visiting villages, speaking with elders, drinking tea. They put down their guns and took off their helmets as the traditional gesture of friendship. An Afghan teenager slipped up behind Mr. Greene and buried an axe in the back of his skull. We are bringing them Tim Horton's donuts and they are bringing us roadside bombs and hatchets. Do we have the stomach for this?

Does Canada have the DNA for this kind of thing? We have arguably the best equipment, gone through intense military training, but do we have the mindset? Canadian soldiers have been regarded by the rest of the world as “the nice guys.” Nice corn-fed boys and girls from the prairies with hockey toques. Kindness should repay kindness, right? Wrong. Those were my father's rules.

We weren't at the sharp end of the stick when Iraq was invad-

ed. There are no Abu Ghraib or Guantanamo prisons on our score sheet. Our mission is to rebuild Afghanistan. But the Taliban don't discriminate. We are all infidels. We are all foreign occupiers.

Foreign occupiers are nothing new in Afghanistan. Foreigners were routinely overrunning the region 2000 years before Columbus set foot on North America. It was Ghengis Kahn in the 14th century. The Soviets in the 1980s. And everyone in between. Talk about a battle hardened nation. Theirs is a legacy of blood, revenge and retribution. We see ourselves as liberators. To most of Afghanistan, we are merely the latest in a long string of occupiers . . . interloping infidels.

Are we making a difference? Let's see. Bin Laden is still eating figs somewhere in the mountains. The opium trade has just experienced a bumper crop of poppies, estimated at US \$2.8 billion and representing 60 per cent of that country's GDP. Canada gives Afghanistan \$100 million a year in aid. Where it goes is anyone's guess. We just hand it over to the Afghan government and let them do with as they wish. Are we mak-

ing a difference?

What to do? What to do? Get out as soon as humanly possible, keep your helmets on and the safeties off. And please, none of that “we don't cut and run” school yard jargon. Whether it is Iraq, Afghanistan, or Vietnam, occupying forces always end up on the short end of the stick.

There is a glimmer of hope. The Nobel Peace Prize was just awarded to a Bangladeshi economist named Muhammad Yunus, who pioneered the concept of “micro-credit” — extending loans as little as \$9 to the poorest of the poor. A funny thing happens when you give a small amount of dignity to the unfortunate. They thrive. And pay back the loan. His Grameen Bank (Grameen means “village” in the Bengali language) has lent out \$5.72 billion in more than 100 countries with an incredible 98 per cent repayment rate.

I think it's time to give the Afghan people a little dignity. It may be painful and it may take a little time, but at the end of the day, they will sort this mess out by themselves, without the “help” of foreign armies, foreign religions or Tim Horton's donuts.

## More letters

### Traditions

In response to last week's letter from Marjoly Van Zanten proposing Canada Day as the only day to celebrate with fireworks, as someone who was born and brought up in B.C., Hallowe'en was the traditional time to have a fireworks display.

We started celebrating fireworks on Canada Day in more recent times.

Hallowe'en was always an exciting and fun time. Let's keep it that way.  
**JULIETTE LAING,**  
Salt Spring

### Lots to learn

Thank you for the wonderful insert providing information on the Community to Community 2 conference last week.

This conference represents an unusual opportunity for all who care about Salt Spring. It is also an important tool for educating us about a mutually beneficial approach to building health both here and in the developing world.

The overall picture is that those of us who live in one of the advantaged parts of the world have failed miserably in extending our knowledge and experience to building health into the lives of people who live in the disadvantaged parts of the world. The U.N. has committed itself to finding real answers to world poverty by 2015 and Africa's

continued difficulties make clear that the continent is experiencing deterioration and the routes to building health are not clearly understood.

This conference explores the possibility that a significant strengthening of community elements, both here and in the developing world, is a major route to health.

On Salt Spring, the view is held by many of us that the fabric of the community is being torn apart as a result of economic issues that are out of control. We need to strengthen our community to show respect for the wonderful population base still existing of people who have the capacity to care about each other and for others in this world.

The guests that are coming to give leadership at this conference will provide participants with a picture of communities that are experiencing difficulties we can only imagine. There are ways these communities are getting stronger in their caring for one another and, as can be witnessed from videos taken by visiting Salt Springers, it is all done with a joyful spirit. We have a lot to learn.

It is to be hoped that Salt Springers will take advantage of this opportunity by being full participants in the conference or by attending the events on Friday and/or Saturday evenings. As I

understand it, the scholarship program is offered so that cost should not be a restriction for anybody.

If Salt Springers are engaged in a major move toward strengthening our community, the work that SOLID supporters have put into developing this impressive conference, and the efforts extended by the guests in coming to our island, will be well rewarded.

**PETER ROBINSON,**  
Long Harbour

### Give warm welcome

For years many islanders have been working quietly to build connections with African communities in the fight against HIV/AIDS and this weekend offers an extraordinary opportunity to see what this work has grown.

SOLID is hosting a weekend conference on action on AIDS in Africa and, believing that the voices of Africans must be heard directly, has courageously taken the financial leap of faith required to bring five Africans to the island. These four women and one man will join with other Africans already in Canada, as well as Canadians involved with HIV/AIDS at a community, national and international level to bear witness, name the work to be done and celebrate creative initiatives.

This will be a weekend of conversation, dialogue, inspiration and connection. Whether you are involved in this issue already, or are interested in becoming involved, or simply want to learn more about what people are doing — you will be very glad you showed up at the GISS multipurpose room this weekend. Come to the Friday and Saturday evening events or attend the entire conference, and give our international visitors a warm welcome.

Evening events are \$10. There is a conference fee but scholarships are available. Fill out a simple form at the SOLID office at 125 McPhillips, or on the website ([www.solidsaltspring.com](http://www.solidsaltspring.com)). For more conference info you can check out the website or call the office at 537-0863.

**MAGGIE ZIEGLER,**  
Isabella Point Road

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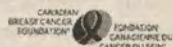
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# Permaculture is path to food security

By MICHAEL NICKELS  
Special to the Driftwood  
It's a lazy Sunday afternoon. I'm sitting in the kitchen looking out into a jungle of green.

The first layer of 60 feet looks out through an edible landscape and a collage of sculpted green leaves filtering sun and water to create a bounty of food; grapes, plums, pears, apples, figs, persimmons, kiwis, mulberries, Asian pears, edible bamboo, six different types of nuts, including heartnuts, butternuts, and pecans, as well as cranberries, blueberries, loganberries and blackberries.

All of this is blended in amongst most of the local edible berries and pockets of maples, alders and Douglas firs. The indigenous trees are pruned periodically to ensure enough sun and heat for all the fruits and nuts.

In front of the house there are less indigenous trees making room for a largish permaculture garden, fruit and nut orchard. Other perennials such as raspberries, strawberries, almonds, walnuts, pinenuts, edible oaks, Japanese raisin trees,

## IN DEPTH

strawberry trees, goumis and sugar maples.

The bounty of food that comes from this area is used on the farm, is sold through our roadside farm stand in the summer and to a few retailers in town.

The area that I am describing is less than half an acre, equal to or smaller than most rural African homesteads of six to 15 people.

For the last 16 years I have spent a few months each year living and working in rural African communities learning about their needs and struggles of securing enough food for their homesteads. Water is their largest challenge! They don't have deep wells, pumps or piped water. They have to rely mostly on what the rains bring.

Permaculture has taught me to channel runoff rainwater into swales that capture all the water and slowly release it over a number of hours or days into the land. Hand-dug ponds hold the excess rain-

water for months into the long dry season, extending the growing season and food diversity.

The tapestry is enriched by dozens of species of tropical fruits, nuts and vegetables. A thorny living hedge provides bird habitat for insect control of these organic gardens.

Firewood stands provide fuel for the farm, as well as cooler areas for beehives and extra grass for farm animals.

It is truly amazing how plots of land that have provided only marginal monoculture crops of corn in their best years are now providing the homestead with a cornucopia of vegetables, fruits, nuts, extra meat, honey, firewood, building poles, seeds and medicines every year. In fact these homesteads that were impoverished dust bowls just two to three years ago now have more than enough food and are now providing excess food for AIDS sufferers and still extra to sell to raise school fees for the children.

These are simple, cheap solutions available to make huge differences for millions of impoverished people

around the world. It is ridiculous that we as a society continue to send so much "relief food" each year when we could deliver appropriate systems of food security that would provide more and better food, a sense of pride, as well as economic security. It is time to create education opportunities rather than continue the strangling dependence.

I am a guest speaker this Sunday at the Community to Community 2 conference and will show some film footage of my work in Africa.

The conference allows us to share skills and experiences with our counterparts in Africa.

For the next two weeks there will be a tree sale at Seven Ravens Farm, the "Trees for Africa tree sale." We carry many edible fruits and nuts, flowering trees and shrubs, medicinals, hedging trees and a large selection of beautiful specimen trees up to 30-40 feet tall.

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### Comfort and care

After sailing into the Salt Spring Marina on August 25 of this year, I collapsed on the dock with severe leg and back pain. Lesley Cheeseman and her staff at the marina contacted 911 and very shortly thereafter two medics arrived to assist, assess and transport me to Lady Minto Hospital where I received constant care and attention for several hours under Dr. Paula Ryan and the hospital staff.

After one premature attempt to return to the boat under the concerned eye of the marina staff, things quickly deteriorated and Agni, owner of Silver Shadow Taxi who had not even had time to leave the marina after taking us there, quickly got me back to the hospital and refused to

be paid for the trip.

A night was spent under the care of another Ryan, nurse Ryan in this case, before I was transported to Victoria General.

Many people on Salt Spring were involved in my care and comfort and I can't thank them all enough for what they did for me. I hope never to see any of them under the same circumstances but all of them when I get to return under better circumstances. Thank you all!

Worst of all, I missed the Saturday market, a highlight of all my boating trips. Next year.

JACKIE STERLING,  
Tsawwassen, B.C.

### Held hostage

I received a letter from the B.C. Transmission Corporation stating that the B.C. Utilities Commission (BCUC) has concluded that

"building the project within the existing right of way is in the public interest and is the most cost-efficient option."

I believe this is an invalid conclusion and that the public are more interested in their own personal safety and health rather than how much the project would cost the BCTC.

There are many hundreds of people who would sign a list that would like to see the power lines removed. How many people could the BCUC get to sign a list desiring to keep the power lines where they are?

How is it that such a small group like BCUC can make a poor decision regarding so many? The BCUC is playing up to the BCTC and putting financing ahead of public safety and health and definitely not considering what is in the public interest. The public has already

spoken many times. They are not interested in listening or acting in the public's best interest. They are holding the public hostage to their own best interest.

JOHN M. STEEL,  
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# RANTS & ROSES

**RANTS**

For shame that B.C. Ferries has instructed its employees to remove passengers' luggage when unattended during a trip to the washroom or to the cafeteria. Where are the signs that say "Unattended bags will be confiscated"? We do not need to foster a climate of fear in the Gulf Islands. Susan Hayne

**ROSES**

A dozen super yummy long-stemmed turkeys to the extremely helpful tire changers at Fulford ferry terminal Thanksgiving morning. Thank you. J & C

Deep purple tulips, lilacs and gayfeathers to Jason Donaldson, director extraordinaire, his dedicated assis-

tant, Gordon Havelaar, and the stunning cast of the Laramie Project for the most amazing theatre experience-performance-consciousness-raising-contribution to the Salt Spring community towards eliminating homophobia and violence against all people. Marge, Allison, Zackie & Catherine

Sweet-smelling old-fashioned roses to Salt Spring Seniors for welcoming ousted bridge clubs to their facilities.

For the BC Hydro crews who were such a great help with the removal and re-erection of the cross on the United Church, a big bouquet of red roses. Without their help, the job of refinishing the exterior of the church would have been impossible. A heartfelt thank you from the Salt Spring Island

United Church.

A huge soup pot of roses to the Thursday lunch group at the Anglican church. Way to go, Soup's On!

A solid gold bouquet to Sandy Mc at BMO for extraordinary customer service; true compassion behind her beautiful smile. Cathy C

A fragrant bunch of red roses to homecare nurses Sharon and Sue, and physio Leslie. You helped clear me up and cheer me up after my recent hip replacement operation. Thank you. RW

Roses to John Cake and Carol Miller for very kindly lending my son Ellis and I their truck, while I once again replaced my car. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Janis & Ellis

Wild Nootka roses to everyone who stopped by the Salmon Enhancement booth at the fall fair. Roses also to Mark Hobson for donating a print for this year's raffle. Rosebuds for Tatiana, Gavin and Eliza, winners of the kids' contest.

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## Training scenario triggers response

Salt Spring Island Coast Guard officers aboard the Cape Kuper were among the first on scene when a major "ship-to-shore" training exercise in Pat Bay off Vancouver Island turned into a real-life incident last Sunday.

Midway through the exercise, two cadets from the Victoria area were evacuated after one suffered a mild asthma attack and the other was hit in the head by a swinging door.

Both cadets were taken to hospital and subsequently released, according to Ganges Coast Guard officer-in-charge Sid Jones.

The SAREX 2006 exercise saw the air and sea evacuation of 200 volunteers from aboard B.C. Ferries' Queen of Nanaimo. The event was intended to simulate a major maritime incident that could occur in British Columbia's coastal waters.

With 200 people on the Queen of Nanaimo and countless others forming part of the 15-agency international exercise, minor mishaps are difficult to avoid, according to Coast Guard communications officer Dan Bates.


"Anytime there is a search and rescue incident there are lessons to be learned," he said.

"This one proved no different. The good thing about it was that it was a relevant place for an accident."

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## What's for Dinner?

THE GANGES VILLAGE MARKET **WILD WEST COAST POTAGE**  
Short cuts to cooking for one or two @ with Sarah Lynn, 2006




**Leeks:** The leek is a vegetable belonging, with onion and garlic, to the *Alliaceae*, the onion family. Rather than forming a tight bulb such as the onion, the leek produces a long cylinder of bundled leaf sheaths which are generally blanched by pushing soil around them (trenching). The edible portions are the white onion base and light green stalk. Leeks were prized by the ancient Egyptians, Greeks, and by the Romans who distributed the vegetable across Europe. The leek was favoured by Emperor Nero who doted on a leek potage (a thick creamy soup). The leek is one of the national emblems of Wales and is a staple of the national cuisine. According to legend, King Cadwallader ordered his Celtic warriors to identify themselves by wearing the vegetable on their helmets during an ancient battle against the Saxons. Even now, the Welsh wear the leek on St. David's Day, their national holiday. Leeks have a more delicate and sweeter flavor than onions. Leeks add a subtle touch to recipes without overpowering the other flavors that are present.

In a medium saucepan combine **3 cups vegetable broth and 1/2 cup uncooked Lundenberg Wild Rice Mix**. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 40 minutes. Remove from heat. Sauté over medium heat for two or three minutes **2 tablespoons butter, 1/2 cup chopped leek bulbs, 1/2 cup diced brown mushrooms, 1/2 teaspoon thyme and 1/4 teaspoon pepper**. Add cooked rice to leek & mushroom mixture. In a small bowl whisk together **1 cup Half-and-Half or other light cream, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 can Sea Change Salmon Pate**. Combine with rice and vegetable mixture. (Optional-stir in **1/2 cup pale ale**.) Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly and heated through). Serve with a warm **GVM West Coast Baguette**.

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# Capital Regional District will seek infrastructure funds for library plan

By GARY HOLMAN  
Salt Spring  
regional director

The library's successful fundraising campaign will come to a close in November.

During the 2005 referendum, which provided taxpayer support for the purchase of the adjacent McColl property, the library board promised to reduce the cost of the purchase to taxpayers at large.

**Every individual donation, no matter how small, will help bolster the library's building fund.**

The board has lived up to this commitment with no increase in its existing, maximum legal taxing authority. This is the first acquisition of public land within Ganges village in decades and taxpayers will pay only about two-thirds of its appraised value.

The campaign is not over yet. Every individual donation, no matter how small, will help bolster the library's building fund and increase the chances of receiving a federal-provincial infrastructure grant.

The library, through CRD, will be submitting an application for a grant at the end of January 2007.

## Noise Bylaw

I am proposing some minor changes in the CRD noise bylaw for Salt Spring, including later start times

## CRD REPORT

on weekends and holidays, a clarification of the current exemption for legitimate farm operations, and increased fines for repeated offences.

After public comment, an amended noise bylaw will be adopted by the CRD Board. Send comments to me at the e-mail below or to CRD staff as indicated in the bylaw advertisement.

Please note that the Southern Gulf Islands noise bylaw is also being amended, using the original Salt Spring bylaw as a starting point.

The provisions in these bylaws differ somewhat and should not be confused with one another.

## St. Mary Lake Watershed Plan

Islands Trust trustees and I have agreed to establish a St. Mary Lake watershed planning steering committee that will be co-chaired by the CRD and North Salt Spring Water District. The committee will also include representatives from the Highland and Fernwood water districts, Vancouver Island Health Authority, Ministry of Highways, stewardship groups and representatives of stakeholder groups such as resorts, agriculture and individual license holders. Murray Reiss, coordinator of the Salt Spring Island Water Council, will provide support for the watershed planning process.

Recommendations will take into account the results of the Cusheon Lake watershed plan, now being final-

ized, and will be made to the CRD, Islands Trust and other government agencies. A public organizing meeting for the watershed planning process is planned for mid-November and will be publicly advertised.

## PARC

I am waiting for the results of a region-wide staff review of all CRD commissions before revising PARC's bylaws to bring in term limits and a greater role for the CRD director in the appointment of commissioners.

In the meantime, I will exercise my discretion at the CRD Board regarding such appointments, including those coming up this fall.

I have also requested CRD staff to assist myself and the PARC Commission to review the history and lessons that can be learned from the tennis issue.

An accounting of the costs related to the Coverall decision, as well as recommended administrative and procedural improvements, will be publicly reported.

## Recycling

I have received a number of enquiries regarding the recent announcement by Community Services Society to discontinue service for "blue box" materials at their Rainbow Road depot for commercial and other non-residential organizations.

It is true that these changes are related to the newly negotiated, six-year contract with CRD, which only provides support for the residential sector.

This is consistent with CRD policy throughout the

rest of the capital region. Service to commercial customers could continue at the depot on a fee basis, but this is a Community Services board decision.

## Ganges Walking/Cycling Design Study

At its October 11 meeting, the CRD Board approved \$30,000 of federal gas tax transfer funding for a conceptual design study for walking, cycling and traffic calming facilities in the main travel corridors in Ganges.

The study will include the main travel corridor in Ganges, from GVM to Rainbow Road, as well as up Rainbow Road to the new recreation centre.

This is the first approval of gas tax funds within the three electoral areas in the CRD.

I recognize the concern about "just doing another study" in the face of real pedestrian and cycling safety problems in the village, but it is a necessary step in order to actually construct such facilities.

After public input into these conceptual designs, we will proceed with detailed design and construction of such facilities under the auspices of the new Transportation Commission, the establishment bylaws for which are now being developed by CRD staff.

If you have any questions about this report or other CRD issues, please contact me at 653-2042 or by e-mail at [directorssi@crd.bc.ca](mailto:directorssi@crd.bc.ca).



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The appointment terms for Directors of the Vancouver Island Health Authority Board are staggered to allow for continuity. Effective March 21, 2007 there will be two vacancies on the Board.

For more information please refer to the Notice of Vacancy posted on the Board Resourcing and Development Office website at [www.fin.gov.bc.ca/abc](http://www.fin.gov.bc.ca/abc)

If you have specific questions please contact Janet Shute, Board Liaison at (250) 370-8693 or by email at [janet.shute@viha.ca](mailto:janet.shute@viha.ca)

If you are interested in serving as a Director on the Vancouver Island Health Authority Board you are encouraged to submit an Expression of Interest to the Board Resourcing and Development Office by going online at [www.fin.gov.bc.ca/abc](http://www.fin.gov.bc.ca/abc) and linking to the page "How to Apply".

The deadline for applications is October 27, 2006.



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# My old car — and the cast of thousands in a new one

By CHRIS DIXON

Vietnamese Buddhist teacher Thich Nhat Hanh once said: "The poet will see a cloud in this page."

He was speaking of the inter-connectedness and inter-dependence of all beings, and all things. Thus, the poet would understand that the tree which was cut down to make paper was dependent on the cloud to provide nourishing rain, the soil for support, and the sun for providing living energy. And so we are inter-dependent as well, on the paper-maker's craft, the printer's precision, and the truck meeting the ferry to bring us this week's news.

Every being and every thing — interconnected. Let's hold onto that thought.

I own a 1980 Volvo with nearly a half-million Ks on it. Each year, the engine loses just a little bit of compression and its fuel efficiency diminishes slightly. While it would be treasured in some less-developed countries, here on Salt Spring it looks a bit shabby — especially when parked next to a Smart Car or a Toyota hybrid.

So, what if I were to sell my faithful old steed and buy a newer, more efficient vehicle? It's a pleasant thought, cruising through town with a smug sideways glance at the peasants and their 350-Chevys lined up at the gas pump! All is bliss.

It seems simple, but there's a catch somewhere, and I know it. Selling my old car might get it out of my driveway, and maybe my conscience, but all I've done is pass the burden on to my neighbour.

Another question arises: where do cars actually come from? My purchase depends on the combined efforts of hundreds of people, working elsewhere, who will participate in the production of raw materials, design, manufacture, assembly, warehousing, shipping and marketing of the new car. So I will be responsible for triggering forces and events far outside my visible world. I will have, in some way, entered the lives of miners and factory workers and sailors and likely diminished the environment wherever they live, and where the raw materials

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for the new car are extracted. It's easy to stay unaware about that.

There's more. I have to work to earn all the money that's needed to buy the new car, which involves another complex web of employers, suppliers, materials and clients and again depends on the efforts of strangers in faraway places. A seductive form of inter-connectedness is to borrow the money and pay interest on the cost of borrowing, again with tax-paid dollars, and now involving the lending institution, its employees, its stockholders, its landlord — which means working a lot longer to pay them all off. This is getting complicated!

All I wanted was to feel better about myself as I drove down the road, and suddenly there's a cast of thousands involved! How did this happen?

What I've done is think about an everyday part of life from a different perspective and maybe describe, in part, my culture. Stuff comes from somewhere else, and it's kind of a bother to think about how, or where from.

Many products that we enjoy are produced in situations we would not tolerate in our own community, and for wages and in working conditions that we would not accept for a moment. An easy on-line purchase may result in environmental destruction, pollution and hard, dangerous work at low wages for someone far away who can see no options. So, by looking to the distance our purchases allow us to reach, we can see that our actions can influence the lives and surroundings of others.

We begin to consider humanity and ecology along with economy, thus moving toward a more compassionate society. We feel a more

personal connection, and a sense of participation in the world around us.

Getting back to the car question, the influences of time and a diminishing fuel supply will inevitably challenge the owners of thousands of aging or thirsty vehicles to find creative, moral answers to what has already become a pervasive problem.

Maybe we'll see car-sharing arrangements between groups of close neighbours. Dozens of mom 'n' pop rental agencies. Independent, self-employed entrepreneurs driving small pickups. Scheduled, hybrid mini-taxis on every road. Maybe we'll support, by referendum, a crush-your-guzzler program that will rid our roads and our lungs of the worst offenders, while fairly compensating the owners.

We need only to look at south-east Asia to see a more sensitive model. Thousands of bicycles. Scooters everywhere, many with two or three riders on them. Minivans, jammed full of passengers and packages. Pickup trucks piled precariously, and as high as the driver can reach before the motor burns a drop of fuel. Everywhere, people sharing. We may currently be the world leaders in mindless consumption, but there are many teachers out there who can show us a gentler way.

It's prime time for many of us to examine our relationship with petroleum-powered vehicles. My own answer is, all things considered, to keep the old Volvo. I am more conscious of how often I reach for the car keys, questioning the necessity of each trip that I make.

I'm also asking friends about car-pooling whenever possible. I pick up hitchhikers more often. I've dusted off my bicycle, and I've rediscovered the joy of walking.

I've started acting interested: reading magazines and newspaper articles about conservation and checking out websites to see how other people are approaching the issue. Each of us will learn to integrate the importance of our day-to-day needs with the reality that our automobile culture is harming the planet we share.

What will you do?



SMART RIDE: Sam Eaton (peeking), Jessica Kliaman, Norees Gasper, Emma Bishop, Ella Fisher and Braiden Crouse pile into a Smart Car as Salt Spring Centre School hosts an alternative car fair.

Photo by Stacy Cardigan Smith

## Centre school students test drive alternate car options

By STACY CARDIGAN SMITH  
Driftwood Staff

Students at Salt Spring Centre School were treated to some climate-friendly driving alternatives at a Mini Alternative Car Fair on Friday morning.

A Smart Car, a Toyota Prius hybrid, two cars that run on bio-diesel, and a handful of scooters were on display for the 11 Grade 3 to 5 students. Owners were available to answer questions.

"We're studying climate change and weather and we talked about what Salt Springers could do to change the climate," said teacher Kate Richer.

"I just wanted to expose them [the students] to some sustainable alternatives that they could think about as they grow up."

Students had a list of questions to ask owners, such as the fuel efficiency of each car. Bob Weeden's diesel-powered red Smart Car, which was decked out in black polka dots giving it the appearance of a lady bug, seemed to be the favourite amongst most students. In fact, Smart Cars have replaced Volkswagen Beetles as the new object to spy in the "punch buggy" game, said Grade 3 student Sam Eaton.

"I like the Smart Car because it is so cool. It's so small and cozy and cute and I like the polka dots," said Grade 5 student Jessica Kliaman.

Grade 4 classmate Ella Fisher agreed. "They're kind of like kid-sized. The steering wheel is kid-sized."

But fellow Grade 4 student Aisha Frank seemed to be a little more practical, choosing Peter Robinson's Toyota Prius hybrid as her favourite.



Jessica Kliaman and Braiden Crouse show off a bottle of biodiesel at the Centre School car fair.

Photo by Stacy Cardigan Smith

"You can fit more stuff in it and people," said Frank.

Students were also interested in Daria Zovi's car that she fills with bio-diesel, and particularly in the sample of fuel she brought along.

Three scooters were also available for the kids to look at and climb on.

Richer felt it was important for the students to see what eco-friendly alternatives are available so they can pass that knowledge on to others.

"As children, they don't have the choices. They don't have the choice that 'we're going to buy organic,' or 'we're going to buy a hybrid car,' except they can educate their family."

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## Kids offer climate change hints

Did you know that Canada produces the second-highest carbon dioxide emissions in the world?

What can Salt Springers do to help?

If we can make a change, maybe we can inspire other people to help stop climate change.

Here are some suggestions:

• Don't let your car idle:

after 10 seconds you use more gas to keep your car running than to restart it.

• Choose one day each week to leave your car at home: carpool, bike, walk, etc.

• If you can, buy a hybrid car, Smart Car, scooter or other less-polluting vehicle.

• Grow your own food: inspire your children to get into gardening.

• Use less electricity: turn

off lights, computers, or anything else that can be turned off when not in use.

• Use less water: collect rainwater, fix leaks, turn off water when brushing teeth, etc.

• Recycle and compost! If you can, please help. It will make it better for all our futures!

GRADE 3, 4, 5 CLASS,  
Salt Spring Centre School

## Greenspace section seeking ideas

Would you like to contribute ideas to Greenspace?

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Salt Spring Driftwood: New Lineup Movie Breakout for Oct 18, 2006 to Oct 24, 2006

- WEDNESDAY, OCT 18**
- 7:00 PM  
**29 ★ The Gate II: Trespassers (1992, Horror)** A frustrated teenager attempts to summon up evil demons to grant his wishes. *Louis Tripp, Simon Reynolds (1h35)*
- 8:35 PM  
**42 ★★ The Heiress (1949, Drama)** A wealthy spinster is wooed by a handsome fortune-hunter in 19th century New York City. *Olivia de Havilland, Montgomery Clift (2h)*
- 8:35 PM  
**29 ★★ Mrs. Winterbourne (1996, Comedy)** A pregnant woman boards the wrong train in New York City and is mistaken for a wealthy widow. *Ricki Lake, Shirley MacLaine (1h45)*
- 9:00 PM  
**12 ★★ Treed Murray (2001, Drama)** An executive is trapped when he seeks refuge in a tree from a gang of would-be muggers. *David Hewlett, Clé Bennett (2h)*
- 9:00 PM  
**18 ★★ Save the Last Dance (2000, Drama)** Two young dancers fight to be together despite the social obstacles in their way. *Sean Patrick Thomas, Julia Stiles (2h35)*
- 9:00 PM  
**42 ★★ Mildred Pierce (1945, Drama)** A woman turns herself into a business tycoon to win her selfish daughter a place in society. *Joan Crawford, Ann Blyth (2h)*
- 10:20 PM  
**29 ★★ White Light (1990, Suspense)** After a near-death experience, an officer is haunted by dreams of a woman's murder. *Martin Kove, Bruce Boa (1h40)*
- 11:00 PM  
**42 ★★ The Enchanted Cottage (1945, Romance)** A homely girl and a scarred war veteran marry out of desperation and fall in love. *Dorothy McGuire, Robert Young (2h)*

- THURSDAY, OCT 19**
- 6:00 PM  
**42 ★★ Bringing Up Baby (1938, Comedy)** An heiress and her pet leopard, Baby, continually cross paths with a palaeontologist. *Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn (2h)*
- 7:00 PM  
**29 ★★ Things Change (1988, Comedy)** A man agrees to go to jail in place of a mobster but has one final fling beforehand. *Don Ameche, Joe Montegna (1h40)*
- 8:00 PM  
**6 ★ Loverboy (1989, Comedy)** A pizza delivery boy begins satisfying the romantic needs of bored Beverly Hills wives. *Patrick Dempsey, Kate Jackson (2h)*
- 8:40 PM  
**29 ★★ To Die For (1995, Comedy/Drama)** An aspiring television personality will stop at nothing to be famous, including murder. *Nicole Kidman, Matt Dillon (1h45)*
- 9:00 PM  
**12 ★★ Chill Factor (1999, Action)** Two average guys become responsible for transporting a chemical weapon to the military. *Cuba Gooding Jr., Skeet Ulrich (2h)*
- 9:15 PM  
**42 ★★ The Philadelphia Story (1940, Comedy)** A socialite's plans to remarry are complicated by the appearance of her ex-husband. *Katharine Hepburn, James Stewart (2h)*
- 10:25 PM  
**29 ★ Meatballs III (1987, Comedy)** Denied access to Heaven, a pornography star is sent back to Earth to perform a good deed. *Sally Kellerman, Patrick Dempsey (1h35)*
- 11:15 PM  
**42 ★★ Woman of the Year (1942, Comedy/Drama)** A turbulent romance takes place between a sports columnist and a political commentator. *Spencer Tracy, Katharine Hepburn (2h)*

- FRIDAY, OCT 20**
- 6:15 PM  
**42 ★★ Return of the Vampire (1943, Horror)** A resurrected vampire sets out to get revenge on those who killed him 20 years before. *Nina Foch, Frieda Inescort (1h15)*
- 7:00 PM  
**29 ★★ Logan's Run (1976, Sci-Fi)** In a post-apocalyptic world, people are put to death when they reach the age of 30. *Michael York, Richard Jordan (2h)*
- 7:30 PM  
**39 Halloweenown 3: Halloween High (2004, Family)** Marnie and her family fight to save their friends, her school, and all of their powers. *Emily Roeske, Debbie Reynolds (1h30)*
- 7:30 PM  
**42 ★★ White Zombie (1932, Horror)** An evil sorcerer menaces newlyweds and uses zombies on his Haitian sugar plantation. *Bela Lugosi, Madge Bellamy (1h30)*
- 8:00 PM  
**4 ★★ Goodnight Mister Tom (1998, Drama)** A surly veteran takes a young problem child into his home and soon can't live without him. *John Thaw, Nick Robinson (2h)*
- 9:00 PM  
**12 ★★ Deep Rising (1998, Horror)** The passengers on a hijacked luxury cruise liner are massacred by a gruesome sea creature. *Treat Williams, Wes Studi (2h)*
- 9:00 PM  
**29 ★★ Bad Boys (1995, Action)** Two detectives must switch their identities on an important murder and drug case. *Will Smith, Martin Lawrence (2h)*
- 9:00 PM  
**39 ★★ Ernest Scared Stupid (1991, Comedy)** Ernest accidentally releases a two-hundred year-old troll intent on destroying the world. *Jim Varney, Eartha Kitt (1h30)*

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# Peace festival welcomes whole island

When it comes to achieving peace in the world, Cherie Geauvreau of Peace Works! believes kids can lead the way.

That's one reason this year's peace festival event is a children's peace forum for the whole community called Young People Come First.

It takes place at Salt Spring Centre School (SSCS) on Tuesday, October 24 from 1-2:30 p.m. Some students from all island schools will be there, with each group offering a creative or performance presentation.

Geauvreau has been speaking to youth at Salt Spring schools and is heartened by the experience.

"It's been a wonderful lesson to learn how much our kids want peace," she said.

Peace Works! had booked Mahon Hall for October 22 for its annual peace celebration, but then learned the Community to Community 2 (C2C2) AIDS conference



**PEACE:** Phoenix Elementary students work on a "dream board of peace" for the October 24 youth peace forum. Photo by Derrick Lundy

was occurring at Gulf Islands Secondary during the same weekend.

"We wanted to defer to the conference, but also wanted

to have our annual peace event."

Some C2C2 conference delegates from Africa are expected to attend the youth

peace forum on October 24.

Everyone is welcome to attend the free event at SSCS, which will also be filmed by Shaw Cable.

## Photo show seeks youth entries

All Salt Spring youth are invited to enter the 4-H Photography Show set for November 4 and 5 at Art-Spring.

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11. Digitally manipulated.
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13. Collage. All photos must be received by the afternoon of Friday, November 3.

Judging takes place Saturday morning, followed by an opening reception at 1 p.m.

The gallery will be open to the public from 1-5 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, with 4-H demonstrations throughout the afternoon on Saturday.

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# Island Wheels

A Driftwood Guide to Island Transportation, Sales, Service, Accessories and More!

## Long-lost '59 Chrysler found in Manitoba farmer's field

By **ALYN EDWARDS**

Special to the Driftwood

When Ben Meisner first saw the 1959 Chrysler 300, he was a 22-year-old farm boy from Manitoba who found himself working as a newsreader at one of Canada's top radio stations — CKEY Toronto. He had no idea that this car represented the original muscle car and that its 385-horsepower motor would propel this finned hardtop at 140 mph.

Meisner didn't know it. But a fellow newsreader by the name of Arnold Isaacson, who was an American, knew all about these cars.

"There's a Chrysler 300E for sale and you have to look at it," Isaacson enthused.

The car was for sale on the parking lot of the downtown Toronto Eaton's department store. The word was the car had been purchased by the Eaton family for John David Jr. But the family confiscated it and put it up for sale because the scion to the Eaton department store fortune was getting too much police attention.

Meisner bought the car for \$4,000 — about double what a brand new car would have cost. It was 1960. The Chrysler 300E was one year old and had travelled just 11,000 miles. It would see a lot of hard use with Meisner's foot on the pedal.

"I subsequently got a job at a radio station in Winnipeg and took the Chrysler with me," Meisner recalls.

"We used to use it as a four by four on hunting trips. I can remember coming back to town at 140 miles per hour with five deer in the trunk and the backseat."

Meisner recalls driving his hunting buddies from Win-

nipeg to the Alberta border flat out in the Chrysler to go duck hunting. They rolled the windows down and shot ducks with rifles pointing out of the car as they drove. One friend shut the door with his shotgun barrel in the way making a giant divot in the door sill plate.

He used it to go ice fishing and would bash his way through the snowdrifts leading on to icebound lakes.

The young Meisner was forced to sell the car after owning it after just two years.

"It was beat to hell and I sold it to the mayor of Dauphin for \$300," Meisner says. "I couldn't afford the car and I used some of the money to buy a used Beetle."

Forty years passed.

Meisner raised three kids as a single father, pursued a broadcasting career that took him right across the country, married a fellow newsreader and ended up as an open line radio host in Prince George, British Columbia.

In 2002, nearly 40 years after he sold the fabled Chrysler 300E, his wife Elaine told him he should get a car to work on.

Meisner could only think of his old Chrysler.

"Why don't you find it and do something with it then?" Elaine challenged. "You could find that car if you were any kind of a newsman!"

The more he thought about it, the better the idea seemed.

Ben Meisner donned his investigative journalist cap, rolled up his sleeves and started working the phone. He found the Chrysler 300 E in a mere five days.

**CHRYSLER 20**



**TRANSFORMATION:** At top, the 1959 Chrysler 300D as Ben Meisner located it in a farmer's field in Manitoba. At right, the same car displayed at the Meisner residence in Prince George.

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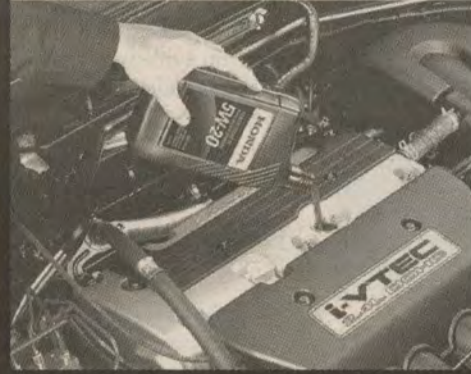
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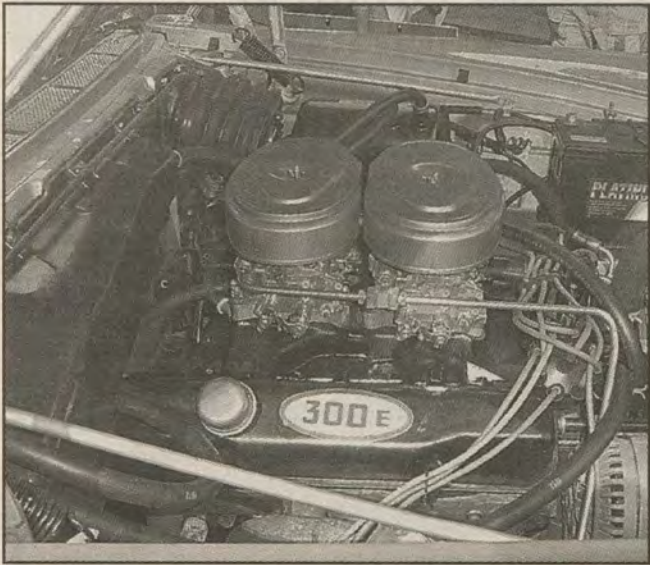
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**INTERIOR:** The 1959 Chrysler 300E was full luxury with dual-power swing-out bucket seats with a fall tan leather interior.



**ENGINE:** The 300 series Chryslers of the 1950s had engines producing a thundering 385 horsepower through a 413-cubic-inch engine topped with dual four-barrel carburetors.

## CHRYSLER

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He traced the car to St. Boniface, Manitoba where the lady who answered the phone said the owner of the car had run off with another woman and the girlfriend had ended up with the Chrysler. Meisner goaded her into giving him the name of "the other woman."

She had sold the Chrysler to a man in St. Thomas, Ontario who had worked for Chrysler.

Then the search returned to Manitoba where another former owner from Brandon told Meisner he sold it to a farmer.

Finally, pay dirt. Meisner got in contact with the farmer who had bought the Chrysler 300E 29 years previous because the car had "notoriety around here."

"This was the fastest car to come around this country," the man told Meisner.

"I rode in that car at 140 mph. You should know. You were driving. My dad and I were in the back seat."

Meisner made the connection and bought the car back. It was a sorry sight.

The hood was off and trashed. The engine was out and apart — spread out inside a small outbuilding. The heads were full of mouse droppings.

He took the car back to Prince George where he and wife Elaine disassembled it piece by piece.

He and Elaine did everything themselves, including the mechanical rebuild.

The only work they didn't do was to install the Gary Goers reproduction leather interior, rebuild the transmission and paint the car in its original Cameo Tan.

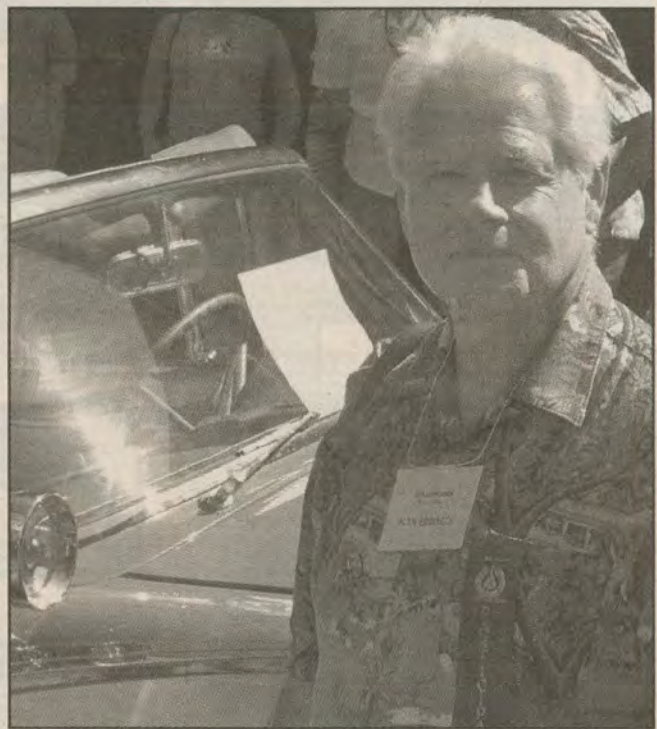
"This car has a 413-cubic-inch engine with a clutch fan, dual four-barrel carburetors in line, air-cooled brakes and it will burn rubber at 90 miles per hour," the proud owner enthused as he displayed his car at Vancouver's Fourth Annual Steamworks Concours d'Elegance.

The luxury features include six way swing out power bucket seats, power windows and aerial, signal seeker radio and remote rear view mirrors.

He bought a signal light lens from Australia, a right-hand outside mirror in Taber, Alberta and paid \$2,000 for the original 300E wheel discs from a seller in Walla Walla, Washington.

Today, this car is better than the day in 1960 that Ben Meisner first saw the magnificent 1959 Chrysler 300E sports coupe that had been the plaything of one of Canada's privileged few.

Ben Meisner now shares that distinction as one of the world's privileged few. After all, he has his 300E back and this time it's for keeps.



Alyn Edwards is an avid car collector and is pictured beside his 1956 Ford Sunliner convertible. Photo contributed

## Auto passion translates into car stories for writer

Alyn Edwards has been a career journalist and life-long classic car enthusiast.

Starting his career as a reporter and feature writer for a Toronto newspaper, he was recruited to become a television news reporter.

He followed up a 20-year career with BCTV with five years at CBC Television.

For the past 10 years, he has been a public relations consultant and freelance writer and is a partner in Peak Communicators, Vancouver.

Over his 25-year career in television, he wrote hundreds of magazine articles for a wide variety of publications and produced more than a dozen documentary videos profiling classic vehicles and the international car collecting hobby.

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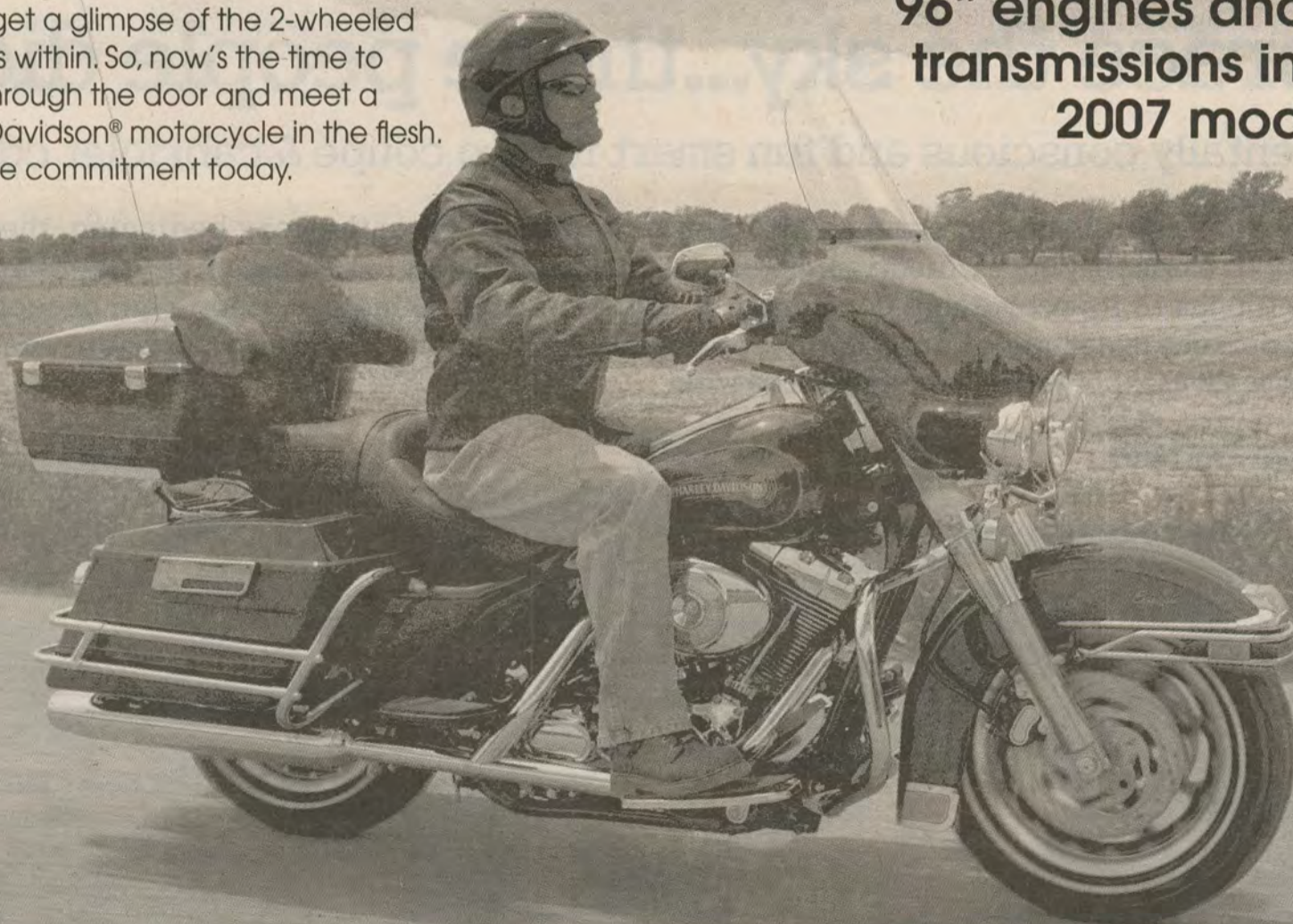
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## Thoroughbred car settles restless souls in luxury

By **ANDREA RABINOVITCH**  
Driftwood Staff

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Travelling to Victoria BMW Mini, I was a tad apprehensive about driv-

ing an extremely expensive vehicle. Let's just say that myself and Simon at Irwin Collision have become very close in the last few weeks.

After freezing my patootie on a soccer field watching my son's game, I was greeted by owner and former Chicagoan Augie Vaza at the show room on Yates. Showing me a few examples of 2007 BMWs, we agreed on the coupe for its power, sportiness and price range.

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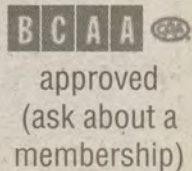


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  - Take them with you to the repair facility,

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- Get them accustomed to the automotive world — its people, places, jargon and prices.
- There are hundreds of books available on this subject. Many are written specifically for non-technical audiences; some are even humorous.
  - Make a plan. What happens if the car breaks down, he/she has a wreck, or the car gets stolen?
  - Put important phone numbers in the glove compartment.

## BMW LUXURY

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The initiation of my love affair with this BMW was my warmed tushy, especially after the briskness of supportive parenting. A fan of hot water bottles, heating pads and those bean tubes you warm up in the microwave and place on your neck, the spread of warmth through my lumbar spine felt like a little piece of heaven. With the leather seats molding to my corporeal self, my soul settled into the luxury.

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The dashboard was surprisingly user friendly with speedometer and temperature gauges in analogue form, and the heating and radio controls simple and uncomplicated. The opposite of show-off new vehicles,

whose controls look like a space shuttle's, this design encouraged comfort immediately.

Verifying in the rear-view mirror's lit-up display that I was veering north-east, and with my panic assuaged by a warm and relaxed behind, I entered traffic. Navigating my way through the downtown core, I noted how safe I felt.

I could tell that this high-powered vehicle could withstand serious driving — the speedometer went up to 280 and it has a 300-horsepower engine. Putting along Dallas Road behind a line of sight-seeing folks, I longed to let 'er rip, but more sensible thoughts prevailed.

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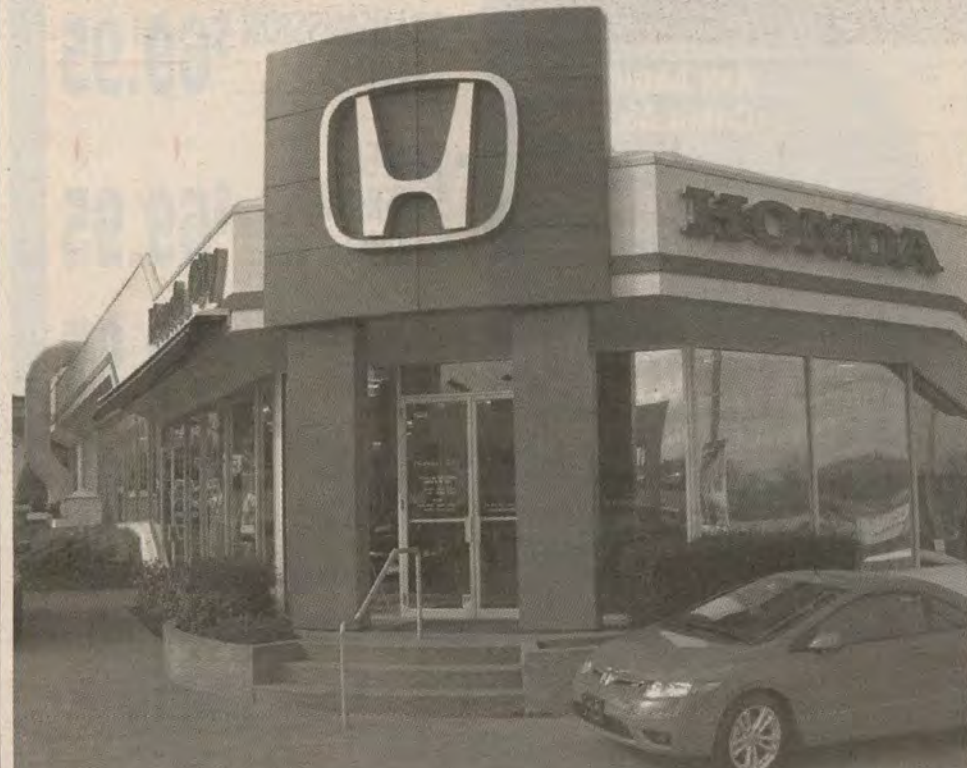
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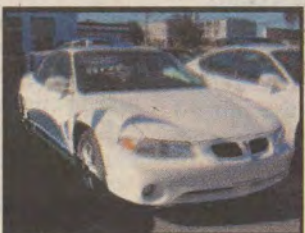
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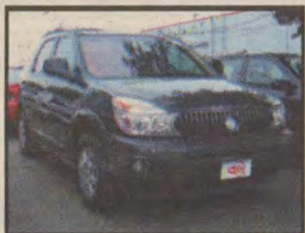
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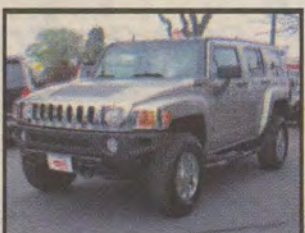
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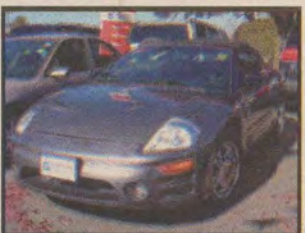
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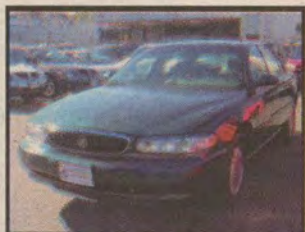
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# Fame has its dark side, after all

So I deliver this after dinner speech at a teachers' convention in Winnipeg and it goes very well. They all laugh in mostly the right places and applaud warmly when I'm done. Nobody throws buns or offers to ride me out of town on a rail.

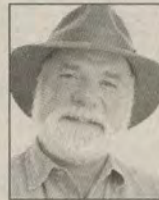
After my speech a pleasant-looking woman approaches and says: "Hello, I'm (name withheld) from Kenora. I know how you feel about my town, but that's okay — no hard feelings."

Huh? I've been to Kenora, Ontario a few times. I like it well enough, but have no overpowering feelings about the place. Nothing spectacular — good or bad — ever happened to me in Kenora. So I ask the woman what she means.

"Don't apologize," she says. "I know that you used to work at the Royal Bank in Kenora. I know you wrote about the town and called it a hell-hole, but that's okay."

Double huh? I have never worked in Kenora. I have never worked in a bank. But the more I tried to convince the woman the huffier she got.

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"There's no point in lying about it," she told me. "Everybody knows what you wrote."

Except I didn't. As I said, I don't have any history with Kenora and anyway I wouldn't be stupid enough to publicly diss a town where I might find myself looking for a motel room some evening.

Doesn't matter. Nameless lady — and who knows how many other Kenora-ites — is totally convinced I gave the town a poison-pen review.

Ah, well. I'm strictly a guppy in the celebrity fish bowl, but I've come up against the dark side of being "known" more than once. People phoning me up at 11:30 at night wanting to know who that whacky woman I interviewed on the morning radio show was. Drunks buttonholing me in a restaurant to ask me if I can put them in touch with Don Cherry. Happens to me maybe once a month.

I can't imagine what life must be like for mega-celeb-

rities like Margaret Atwood or Leonard Cohen.

Or Robin Williams.

Actually, I don't have to imagine what the kooky side of stardom is like for Robin Williams. He laid it out to a reporter in Beverly Hills a few weeks back. He told of being accosted at a press conference by a woman he'd never met.

"Do you remember me?" she asked.

"No," said Williams truthfully.

"We met in Oklahoma," said the woman.

"Really?" said Williams.

"I worked for you for six months," said the woman.

"No, you didn't," said Williams. "I know who's worked for me, and there haven't been that many. Only two or three."

"Yes I did!" the woman insisted. As security people moved in to escort the lady away, Williams recalls her yelling, "It was platonic!"

We think celebrities lead magical lives of privilege and splendour. Freebie wardrobes. The best seats in the best eateries. Laid-on limos. Wall-to-wall adoration.

But there's a price. Kenneth Tynan, the English critic, wrote of an incident in a London restaurant years ago. He was having dinner with the actor Richard Burton when

a fan approached their table. His name was Walter, the fan explained. He was dining with some lads from his brokerage firm. It would mean so much to him and his career if Mister Burton would just come over to the table and say something like "Walter! How good to see you!" Wearily, Burton agreed to do it. A few minutes later, Burton dutifully approached Walter's table and delivered his greetings. Walter looked up and drawled, "You again, Burton! For God's sake stop being a bore and leave me alone!"

Uproarious laughs from the table of stockbrokers. Tynan wrote of the indescribable look of sadness in Richard Burton's eyes.

Fame is not all roses and champagne. Dini Petty, a media star who made her name riding in a pink helicopter delivering traffic reports, told a magazine writer: "I think if I had to do it all over again I'd rather just be rich. I don't think that fame is worth a tinker's damn. It's very intrusive and the more you have the more intrusive it is."

Singer/songwriter Jane Siberry said it best. She sang, "I'd probably be famous now if I wasn't such a great waitress."

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### Nick Bantock launches Windflower

By DAWN HAGE  
Driftwood Staff

Local artist and author Nick Bantock is launching his new book titled *Windflower* at Sabine's bookstore on Saturday, October 21.

Described as "a full-length novel brimming with myth, romance and intrigue," the first "official" public reading of *Windflower* takes place at the Sabine's event, beginning at 1 p.m.

The 216-page novel is a departure from Bantock's previous works (the famous Griffin and Sabine series amongst others) in both its length, and the use of artwork that runs along the bottom of every page as a frieze.

"In Griffin and Sabine, the art is clearly paralleling the text," said Bantock. "It is a forcing of right and left brain sensibilities. I wanted to find a way of writing a story that allowed the images to function in the same way as our day-to-day conscious reality."

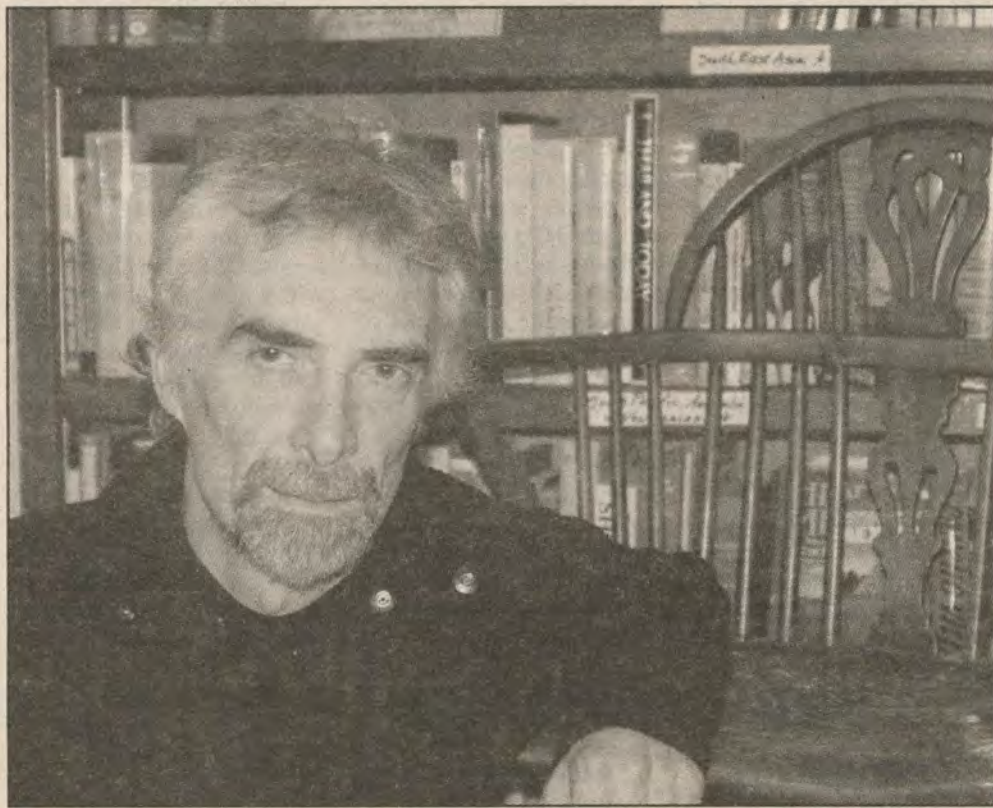
The reader may examine the art for clues or reflections of the text or simply absorb the imagery as part of the whole while reading the story. The extra layering of the visual and unconscious on top of the text creates a unique reading experience.

"You can read the story without stopping to examine the images but they are there subliminally," said Bantock. "The visual perception stays within the sense of the reader — it is 'their sense' — not mine."

The book was created in a three-part concurrent process with collage, pencil drawings and text. Bantock and partner Joyce Greig worked together on the collages, creating an atmospheric surface backdrop made up of four-by-12-inch strips.

"With 216 pages, there were a lot of strips," he notes.

At the same time, in addition to writing the story, Bantock created pencil draw-



**BOOK LAUNCH:** Artist and writer Nick Bantock prepares to release his new book *Windflower* at Sabine's bookstore this Saturday.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

ings inspired by the evolving plot.

"I didn't know how or where the drawings would be placed in the finished novel. We were building the three parts with a sense of trust and each part inspiring the direction of the others."

Its pages are thick and creamy, and the book is a pleasure to hold and feel as well as read, engaging almost every sense of the reader.

The novel is credited as a collaboration with filmmaker Eduardo Ponti, son of Sophia Loren and Carlos Ponti, and director of *Between Strangers*.

After staging a charity reading of Griffin and Sabine in Italy, Ponti sought out Bantock while he was living on Bowen Island. Although from wildly different backgrounds, the two immediately became friends.

"He is a charming and honourable man. We just see the world in the same way,"

said Bantock.

They met in Vancouver five or six years ago and, while talking about love stories, different kinds of relationships and mythology, the seeds of the novel began to take shape.

Throughout the writing of the book, Bantock e-mailed segments to Ponti and the two would bounce ideas off each other.

"As a filmmaker, he had a different viewpoint than an editor. It is a storytelling perspective and it was really helpful to hear his ideas."

"Now that the book is finished, it's his turn. And the process will likely work the same way, but it will be his film. I trust him as a creative human being to make a good job of it."

Bantock and Sabine Swierenga first paired up with the Griffin Room at Sabine's Books in Grace Point Square — the only gallery currently exhibiting and sell-

ing Bantock's original art. The relationship with the bookstore has proven a success, with many people passing through and delighted to "stumble" on the magical little gallery tucked away in the store's second floor.

A relative newcomer to Salt Spring, Bantock is content with island living.

"I love it here. The bookstore and the gallery have really helped me settle into the community."

Saturday's launch will feature Bantock reading from *Windflower*, talking about the novel's creation and answering questions.

In addition, Bantock will be touring the west coast of Canada and U.S., including Bolen's Books in Victoria (on October 30), and offering workshops at Hollyhock on Cortez Island, in Spain and Victoria. The world premiere of Griffin and Sabine - The Play opened in Vancouver on October 5.

### Painters, weavers combine art in new show

The Salt Spring Painters Guild and the Weavers and Spinners Guild are collaborating with a unique and colourful show called *Eye For Colour*.

Opening on Friday, October 20 and running until Wednesday, October 25, the show features painting and weaving projects that share colours and inspiration.

"The concept for the show came from a book by B. Kline, a weaver who designs fabric," said event coordinator

Margaret Threlfall. "His designs were inspired by paintings and when his book was reviewed at a weavers guild meeting, I realized that we could do that here."

Twenty-five teams were assembled, as weavers connected with a painter of their choice. After choosing a painting, the weavers then proceeded to create a complementary weaving piece inspired by the colours and feel of the art. The show will include one painting and one

weaving piece from each team.

"It's a unique concept and the colours are incredible," said Threlfall. "The project started in May, and many have been working for months on their submissions."

The show takes place in the multi-purpose exhibition area at ArtSpring from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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# Violinist Oliver Schroer shares music and stories from Camino pilgrimage

Canadian violinist and composer Oliver Schroer will present a concert and workshop on Salt Spring next week, performing music and sharing stories inspired by his experiences while walking the Camino de Santiago.

The concert takes place on Thursday, October 26 at All Saints By-the-Sea. In addition, Schroer will do a special hands-on teaching/fiddling workshop the following day at Fiddleworks Studio.

"In 2004, Schroer walked 1,000 kilometres along the Camino de Santiago, the medieval pilgrim route through France and Spain," notes a press release. "He stopped to play his violin in churches along the way, and recorded both his playing and the many sounds of the journey — church bells,

footsteps, birds in song, even tired pilgrims snoring."

"Besides sore feet, Oliver returned from the two-month pilgrimage with beautiful music, dozens of stories of the pilgrim's life and hundreds of exquisite photographs taken by one of his walking companions, photographer Peter Coffman."

Schroer produced an acclaimed CD titled Camino, which has been the subject of numerous CBC specials and most recently an episode of Tapestry on September 17.

At the October 26 concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m., Schroer will share his Camino experiences, creating a fascinating evening of original music and entertaining anecdotes. It will be a multi-media presentation with many field recordings from France and Spain, cap-

ture the myriad sounds of daily life on the pilgrim's route, as well as images from Coffman's photo files.

"Walking the Camino was a rich and paradoxical experience," said Schroer. "It was at once profoundly spiritual and intensely physical."

"In the course of our journey, we crossed so many barriers, interior and exterior. Along the way, we met a hundred different characters, with a hundred different reasons for walking the path, and a thousand stories to tell. And though we walked with our fellow pilgrims, for each of us our Camino was our own."

On October 27, Schroer will conduct a two-part fiddle workshop at Fiddleworks Studio on 175 Kanaka Road. The morning session runs from 10 a.m. to noon and is

geared for intermediate level fiddlers. The afternoon session from 1-3:30 p.m. is for more advanced players.

"Schroer will teach some of his unique tunes (not the Camino material, by the way, but other music drawn from his extensive compositions), and will work on group arrangements, listening skills, and mainly, having fun playing music together," said the press release.

Learning will be by ear. Workshop participants get a fee reduction if they have attended the concert. Interested fiddlers (of any age) should send inquiries to [info@fiddleworks.ca](mailto:info@fiddleworks.ca).

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and are available at the door, Acoustic Planet, Salt Spring Books or online at [www.oliver-schroer.com](http://www.oliver-schroer.com).

# Harvest ball benefits local, global children

By DAWN HAGE  
 Driftwood Staff

October means harvest time and Salt Spring Vineyards plans to celebrate in style with the First Annual Grape Harvest Ball to be held on Saturday, October 28 at Fulford Hall.

Ball proceeds will benefit the Peace School in Mozambique for AIDS orphans and the parent and child outreach program of the Salt Spring Island Community Services Society. The evening begins at 6 p.m. with The Oysterman — Brent Petkau from Cortez Island — serving Courtesan Oysters. The oyster bar is also sponsored by Salt Spring Vineyards and all proceeds will go towards the benefit organizations.

Plans are to make the harvest ball an annual event, always raising funds to benefit a cause.

"We want as many people as possible to benefit from the harvest," said event organizer Colleen Bowen.

"We will be helping children from across the world and helping children on our own island."

The harvest dinner begins at 7:30 p.m., featuring numerous Salt Spring delicacies,

**"Pull out your gowns from Granny's chest . . . We want 'mothball gowns' and gumboots!"**  
 — Colleen Bowen

"The dinner features Salt Spring lamb, cedar-planked salmon, handmade lasagna with roasted vegetables, roasted fall veggies with local goat cheese and mouth-watering desserts," said Bowen.

Dinner will be prepared by chef Connor Fisher and Bowen, the vineyards' food and wine specialist," notes a press release. After dinner, the entertainment begins with south-end style.

"The south-end Gumboot Dancers will be performing, and the dancing is African based, which fits our benefit theme," said Bowen.

Dancing will be followed by a "grape stomp," where a vat of grapes will be wheeled out and willing participants can take off their shoes and stomp away.

"We are hoping to have a few local Salt Spring celebrities leading the stomp,"

said Bowen.

In addition, "Eartha" will make a special appearance at the ball.

"On our labels, which feature all kinds of Salt Spring icons, like sheep and cheese, we have 'Eartha,' the semi-nude earth goddess and steward of the earth," said Bowen. "One of our employees thought it would be great if she were to appear in person at the ball."

Islanders will get a chance to dance after dinner, with Harry Warner's South End Country Band rocking the night away and other performers joining in as the evening unfolds.

If people just want to dance, they can come at 9 p.m. and buy a ticket at the door. Funds raised will help rebuild the Peace School and put on a new roof with solar panels so that the 60 AIDS orphans can stay dry when at school during the monsoon season, and provide lighting for its adult literacy program in the evenings.

"The school is really nothing more than a shack," said Bowen. "When it rains, water just pours in the windows and walls."

Bill Slade, a World Vision worker and Bowen's brother,

will deliver all funds raised directly to the school principal and oversee the building project. In addition, Slade will prepare a slide show about the project for view at the Harvest Ball.

The second recipient of funds is the Parent and Child Outreach program facilitated by Community Services. Organizers would like to see the program expanded into Fulford and the outer Gulf Islands.

The evening's themes are farming, harvest, south Salt Spring and "granny's best."

"Pull out your gowns from Granny's chest," said Bowen. "We want 'mothball gowns' and gumboots!"

There will be a prize for the "best-dressed" participant and Robert Bateman has donated a signed print for either a raffle or a prize.

Tickets are \$45 per person and must be purchased in advance. Call The Local Liquor Store at 537-WINE or Salt Spring Winery at 653-WINE for tickets.

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# Community theatre performance worth discomfort of Levin script

By ELIZABETH NOLAN  
Driftwood Staff

Friday the 13th marked a creepy night at Mahon Hall last week with the opening of *Veronica's Room*, the latest offering from Salt Spring Community Theatre.

The atmosphere was set by heavy, classical music and an eerie, sheet-draped stage for a small but enthusiastic audience of theatre-goers.

An unusually moaning coffee urn in the refreshment area only served to underscore the idea that this would be an unsettling night, well-suited for the time of year but not, perhaps, your typical community theatre offering.

Knowing that *Veronica's Room* was written by Ira Levin, the author of *Rosemary's Baby*, and also that play was not considered suitable for children, I could only wonder what sort of horrors were in store.

In fact, the full mystery would not be revealed until the final minutes of the play, by which time the audience was fully immersed in another world and its characters – complex, dark and often very disturbing.

*Veronica's Room* is the story of Susan, a young woman who in 1973 is persuaded to impersonate a long deceased young woman – Veronica – as she appeared in 1935.

The potential for some sort of mystery is immediately set up by the opposition between the two elderly family servants, who convince Susan she'll be doing a good turn for Veronica's dying and senile sister, and Susan's date Larry, who views the whole situation with suspicion.

Susan, a good-hearted but somewhat naïve university student, agrees to the plan.

What happens to Susan and the real story of why Veronica was kept in her room for years unfolds during two acts in an effective and suspenseful manner.

Although this is a community theatre performance, the producer Marit McBride has overseen a high-value production with professional-looking details, including the costumes and set.

All of the actors seemed well-chosen for their parts and were very effective in their portrayals.

Some initial stumbling



**SET FOR THE STAGE:** Gordon Keel and Wendy Beatty are seen here at a rehearsal for *Veronica's Room*, which runs again this weekend at Mahon Hall.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

**"... the audience was fully immersed in another world and its characters – complex, dark and often very disturbing."**

over lines by everyone near the beginning was soon smoothed out and can no doubt be attributed to opening-night jitters.

I was impressed by the ability of actors Wendy Beatty and Gordon Keel to hold their Irish brogues, especially since Keel has been acting for just two and a half years.

Keel should also be commended for giving a solid, understated performance.

Colin Beamish is another newcomer to theatre who acquitted himself well.

He claims in the program notes to have been pulled into the audition from the parking lot just by chance.

If so, he took well to the experience and promises to develop nicely if he continues in acting.

It is the female characters that really anchor this script, however, and Levin accorded

much more emotional range to the women's roles.

Director Bobby Erdrich, a woman with life-long experience in the dramatic arts, has given the female actors the room to fully explore these emotional highs and lows.

Both actresses have accepted the challenge with competence: Wendy Beatty lent believability to a very difficult character, and Christina Penhale seemed to truly embody Susan.

If the drama seemed over the top at some points, this is a reflection of Levin's script.

The only real criticism of this production of *Veronica's Room* is of the content, which as previously mentioned is not suitable for children.

Many adults may also find it unsuitable, depending on how sensitive they are to the horror genre.

Erdrich was quoted last week as saying that the 1973 audience was not ready for this material, and there are some quite shocking events and revelations in the second act.

I'm not sure how the 2006 community will feel about this material – but for those that appreciate the genre or who just like the theatre, the performances are worth the discomfort.

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# Uncle Jim's band back at casino

By DAWN HAGE  
Driftwood Staff

Islanders can boogie the night away on October 28 when the Rotary Club presents its Third Annual Hallowe'en Spooktacular Casino and Dance at the Farmers Institute.

Featured entertainment is the 13-piece Uncle Jim's Blues Band, which will perform from 9 p.m. till 1 a.m.

Islander Jim Raddysh, a well-known children's entertainer, local pool manager, trombonist and singer, is fulfilling a lifetime dream with the creation of Uncle Jim's band.

The idea for the blues band was sparked when Raddysh noticed that local bands were using keyboards and synthesizers to create the horn sounds of the bluesy hits from the '70s.

"On Salt Spring, we have the swing music for the older set and a lot of jazz for the younger set, but what was lacking was a straight-up, fun dance band. I realized that the time was right to put together a band like this with talented horn players playing

the actual horn parts."

Raddysh's original idea was to put together a band as a one-time fundraiser for the Nairn Howe multi-court at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS), gathering together like-minded musician friends with a limited number of rehearsals.

"I was looking for a combination of ability and the right kind of energy for this music. I wanted players that would cooperate with each other and feed the energy on the stage."

Raddysh found his players, an eclectic collection of semi-professional and professional musicians who come from all walks of life and share his love of the gutsy, energetic and bluesy dance music that defines Uncle Jim's band.

"We met at SIMS and played four charts that I had received from my brother Gary. I asked the players 'Does it have a life?' They all answered Yes!"

"I felt like the stars were beginning to line up and this could really happen — it was not just a dream anymore."

The March fundraiser was a resounding success that raised more than \$8,000.

Raddysh has had a long and varied musical career,

most notably as a children's entertainer. He got his start penning boating safety songs for the Red Cross, but things changed when a friend called him up in a panic.

"The main performer for their Chilliwack Children's Festival had cancelled. I had never done anything like this before, but I like to help out and I like to say yes," said Raddysh.

"I ran out and bought all the Charlotte Diamond, Rick Scott, Fred Penner and Mr. Dress-Up tapes and CDs that I could find and worked up a bunch of songs. Then I looked in the mirror and said, 'This is silly — why don't you write your own songs?'"

Raddysh quickly penned 15 songs and hit the festival stage running.

Over the next 14 years, he would play the children's festival circuit across B.C. and also host a Saturday morning children's TV show called Toon Raiders.

Raddysh moved to Salt Spring seven years ago with wife, now GISS vice-principal, Judy and kids Isaac and Meredith.

Last summer, Raddysh was approached by Rotary Club members about resurrecting the Uncle Jim's

Blues Band band for their Hallowe'en fundraiser.

"They said, 'We've just got to have this band,' and it validated the existence and effort of the group."

With unanimous enthusiasm from members, the group has reunited to rehearse for their second island gig.

Instrumentalists are Dave Astill, bari sax, Jerry Fitzpatrick, alto sax, Ted Hickford, tenor sax, Jamie Macdonell, trombone, Murray Hunter, trumpet, Lorne Burns, drums, Kevin Vine, piano, Neil Kerrigan, guitar and Bob Delion, bass.

Back-up singers are Sylvia Louwmann, Gillian Hickford and Wendy Vine.

Music selections will include such favourites as Mustang Sally, Chain of Fools, Knock on Wood, Just a Gigolo and Hit the Road Jack.

Tickets (\$20) for the Rotary Club Spooktacular Casino and Dance are available in advance only at Berkshire Securities, Creekhous Realty and The Local.

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# Cross-dresser is the subject of new Galleons Lap show

Two people, in search of something within themselves, have a chance encounter and connect.

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Toronto photographer David Kalef exhibits his extraordinary black and white images that are the record of a collaboration between a man with an unusual pastime and a photographer in search of a meaningful project.

The subject in this series of images had been dressing in women's clothes for

a while, in the privacy of his home.

As gallery press material explains, he had no public outlet — no way to express himself publicly — until photographer Kalef befriended him, providing an unique opportunity to show other people what he did.

"He wanted the 'outside' world to see him as he was when he felt most at ease and connected to his 'inner self,'" said Kalef. "How will you, the viewer, perceive these photographs? What will you bring of yourself to them?"

A graduate of Ryerson, Kalef sees himself as a street

photographer, "drawn to the reality of the streets where beauty and suffering are never far apart."

The Kalef show runs from October 20 to November 3, and is the gallery's second-to-last show of the year. An opening reception runs on Thursday, October 19, from 5 to 8 p.m., with the artist in attendance.

Galleons Lap shows and sells fine art photography, and is located on the corner of Park Drive and Lower Ganges Road, across from All Saints church in Ganges.

For further information, call gallery owner Seth Berkowitz at 538-0182.

# World-wide harmony conspiracy hits

Tina Erickson, director of the growing Letz Sing Choir Community on the north coast of B.C., is offering a two-hour "community sing" on Salt Spring on Sunday, October 22.

It runs at 705 Beaver Point Road from 2-4 p.m.

Community sings are for people who love to sing, and for those who think they can't, explains group leader Tina Erickson.

"This style of singing accommodates all levels of experience. If you have never sung

in a group before, or you are an experienced singer looking to raise your voice, you will enjoy this relaxed and fun afternoon of singing in harmony."

Erickson is part of the growing network of choir directors trained and mentored by Shivon Robinsong and Denis Donnelly of the Getting Higher Choir in Victoria.

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**HALLOWEEN HOWLS:** Erica Cronin, left, and Jaimie Doucette were spotted getting ready for Halloween last week as they decorated Harlan's. Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Destroyed Murakami photos return thanks to historical society efforts

The Murakami family is one step closer to regaining some of their priceless memories lost after a fire gutted their home in March.

Rose Murakami was given a booklet containing historical images of her family during an informal presentation at the Salt Spring Island Historical Society's monthly meeting last Wednesday.

"Of all the negatives we have experienced, there are a lot of positives as well. Amongst the positives is all the kind support of the people of Salt Spring," said Murakami in a speech after receiving the gift.

"When Mary [Davidson] came to my house to scan the photos, never did I think we'd lose the originals, and we thank you for your generosity."



Rose Murakami, left, and Mary Davidson are seen with a booklet that contains some of the historical images lost in a fire. Photo by Stacy Cardigan Smith

"We've all felt very, very deeply for this family," said Davidson during her presentation speech. "When you

get your home organized and you're ready to get your pictures, just call on us."

The booklet was the brainchild of the historical society's webmaster Frank Neumann.

"We originally got the photos from [the Murakamis] to scan, and I thought we might as well return them and make a booklet out of them," he said.

As she explained after the presentation, Murakami had taken the photos out of an album to be scanned, and put them in a box until she had time to re-file them. That box was in her mother's room, one of the areas that suffered the worst burning.

The collection of scanned photos continues to be available online at [www.saltspringarchives.com](http://www.saltspringarchives.com).

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## Sablefin initiator honoured

Dr. Gidon Minkoff of Salt Spring Island is among the nominees for the inaugural Science Technology and Innovation Awards.

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As explained in a press release, MISTIC decided to present the awards to highlight and recognize knowledge-based businesses in the mid and north Vancouver Island region, plus the Sunshine Coast.

"The firms and individuals have demonstrated passion, commitment, sound business practices and innovative thinking," said Carolyn Tatton, executive director of MISTIC.

MISTIC received 75 nominations for 58 businesses within the mid and north Vancouver Island region.

Minkoff operates Sablefin Hatcheries Ltd., with a hatchery site at Walker Hook.



**HAPPY PLANTER:** Brian Brett clutches his treasure as he reaps the benefits of attending the Salt Spring Garden Club's annual fall plant sale at the Farmers Institute.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

## Mysteries of natural pest control in new Gilkeson gardening book

Have you ever wondered what that bug was doing in your garden and whether or not it was a friend or foe?

Do you find your gardening passions thwarted by mysterious mildews on leaves or canker blots on tree trunks — but not wanting to use commercial pesticides or chemical applications on your plants?

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Natural Insect, Weed & Disease Control comes from the deep accumulation of knowledge held by Salt Spring's Linda A. Gilkeson, Ph.D., who has worked for years as an entomologist in the B.C. environment ministry and is a recognized leader in her field. She's also



an active Salt Spring Garden Club member and has published articles plus other gardening and pest management books.

Her latest volume contains large, clear photos of insects, which makes identification easy, along with descriptions, life cycle details, and either their benefits or how

to prevent them from thriving.

Gilkeson outlines a number of useful tactics, from how to make a "cutworm collar" to providing water sources to attract beneficial insects and recipes for homemade pesticides.

(She also addresses the misconception that any homemade concoction is benign.)

In addition, she describes how to best deal with weeds in lawns, gardens and in between paving stones.

Natural Insect, Weed & Disease Control is published by Trafford Publishing and available at a number of bookstores.

If you can't find it for some reason, call Gilkeson at 537-2503, or send an e-mail to [gilkeson@telus.net](mailto:gilkeson@telus.net).

## Red tide in effect

A red tide closure has been announced for all Salt Spring, Valdes, Thetis and Galiano island waters.

That means harvesting of all bivalve shellfish, including clams, oysters, mussels, geoducks, scallops and cockles is prohibited due to paralytic shellfish poisoning, which can be fatal if contaminated shellfish are consumed.

In Fisheries and Oceans Canada terminology, the relevant areas are 17-2 to 17-3 and 17-8.

The prohibition was put in place on Friday, October 13.

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MONDAY, OCT 23
6:30 PM
29 \*\*\* Harmony Cats (1993, Romance) An out-of-work symphony violinist joins a mismatched country band and falls for a singer. Kim Coates, Jim Byrnes (1h45)
7:15 PM
42 \*\*\*\* Lassie Come Home (1943, Family) A child is heartbroken when he learns that the beloved family collie must be sold. Roddy McDowall, Elizabeth Taylor (1h45)
8:15 PM
29 \*\*\* Buggy (1991, Drama) A murderous gangster and psychopath turns Las Vegas into the world's gambling capital. Warren Beatty, Annette Bening (2h20)
9:00 PM
42 \*\*\*\* Captains Courageous (1937, Adventure) A boy learns how to be a man after he is lost at sea and rescued by a fishing boat. Spencer Tracy, Freddie Bartholomew (2h)
10:35 PM
29 \*\*\* Spike of Love (1994, Comedy) A dominatrix lures a businessman back to her apartment where he encounters her crazy beau. Dyanne DiMarco, Ron Lea (1h25)
11:00 PM
42 \*\*\* The Boy With the Green Hair (1948, Drama) A boy is ostracized despite his efforts to preach tolerance and understanding. Pat O'Brien, Robert Ryan (1h30)

TUESDAY, OCT 24
7:00 PM
29 \*\*\* Everyone Says I Love You (1996, Musical) The misadventures of an upper class Manhattan family at home, in Venice and in Paris. Julia Roberts, Goldie Hawn (1h40)
42 \*\*\* Interiors (1978, Drama) Three daughters rally around their mother after their wealthy father leaves them. Maureen Stapleton, Diane Keaton (1h45)
8:40 PM
29 \* Balance of Power (1997, Action) A powerful crime lord tries to recruit a karate teacher to fight in an ancient tournament. Billy Blanks, Mako (1h35)
8:45 PM
42 \*\*\*\* Written on the Wind (1956, Drama) A playboy millionaire and his friend fall for a secretary who chooses a life of wealth. Rock Hudson, Lauren Bacall (1h45)
9:00 PM
42 \*\* Mickey Blue Eyes (1999, Comedy) The manager of a struggling New York auction house gets in over his head with the mob. Hugh Grant, James Caan (2h)
13 \*\*\* The One (2003, Comedy) A look at what happens when you fall in love with someone who is already in a relationship. Meredith Monroe, Richard Ruccolo (2h)
10:15 PM
29 \*\*\*\* That's Life! (1986, Comedy) An architect faces his 60th birthday, while his family deals with problems of their own. Jack Lemmon, Julie Andrews (1h45)
10:30 PM
42 \*\* The Fastest Guitar Alive (1967, Musical) A spy who keeps a rifle hidden in his guitar becomes an outlaw after the Civil war ends. Roy Orbison, Joan Freeman (1h30)

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# What's On This Week

wed. october 18	thur. october 19	fri. october 20	sat. october 21	sun. october 22	tues. october 24	wed. october 25
<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p>Simply Organic. Pipe organ recital by Barry Valentine. All Saints, 10:10 a.m.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p>Oshi Kundalini Meditation. 5:30 p.m. Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p>Pumpkin Carving Contest Moutat's Home Hardware, 9-9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Painters Guild. Life drawing workshop with Charles Breth at ArtSpring, 9-3. Jose, 537-1121.</p> <p>Grief Recovery Group. New 7-session facilitated program begins tonight. Barb, 653-4945.</p> <p>SSI Youth Soccer Association. Open house at GISS multi-purpose room, 7-8 p.m.</p> <p>Crash Tango. Series of four Wednesday lessons led by Arvid Chalmers. Lions Hall, 7:15 p.m.</p> <p>Texas Hold'em. The Local, 7 p.m. Sign-in at 6.</p> <p>SSI Ferry Advisory Committee. Public meeting with B.C. Ferries, Harbour House Hotel, 6:30-9 p.m.</p> <p>SS Water Preservation Society. AGM at Harbour House Blue Room, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p>Karaoke with Matt J. Thursdays at Moby's Pub.</p> <p>Raylene Rankin. Rising Again concert at ArtSpring, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p>SSI Badminton Club. Thursdays at GISS gym for ages 15 and up, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Must have non-marking shoes &amp; own racquet.</p> <p>Hip Hop Classes. With Andrea Rabinovitch at Mahon Hall. Thursdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m. Info: 538-0116</p> <p>Bingo. At Meaden Hall, 7 p.m. Early bird games at 6:30.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p>Matt &amp; Tom's One Night Stand. Fridays at Shipstones.</p> <p>Simone and the Soul Intentions. Moby's, 9 p.m.</p> <p>Veronica's Room. SS Community Theatre production of Ira Levin thriller. Mahon Hall, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p>Life Drawing. Five-Friday session with Stefanie Denz 9:30-11:30 a.m. Info: 653-2018.</p> <p>You Really Otter Know. Talk on otters by wildlife vet Joe Gaydos. Lions Hall, 7 p.m.</p> <p>Ganges Sewer Local Service Committee. AGM at Baptist Church, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>SSI Liquid Waste Disposal Service Committee. AGM at Baptist Church, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>Community to Community 2 Conference. Pre-conference workshop for helpers. GISS. See www.solidssaltsspring.com for details; or call 537-0863.</p> <p>Viral Monologues, African Voices on Gender &amp; HIV/AIDS. Part of C2C2 Conference. GISS Multi-purpose Room. 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p>DJ Field. Moby's.</p> <p>Oktoberfest. Farmers Institute. Tickets: NSS Waterworks or Trudy, 537-2975.</p> <p>Veronica's Room. SS Community Theatre production, Mahon Hall, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p>Archaeology of Ancient Italy. UVic course begins, 1-3 p.m. Info/registration: 250-721-8827.</p> <p>Archaeology of Ancient Greece. Six-session UVic course begins, 10-noon. Info/registration: 250-721-8827.</p> <p>Nick Bantock Book Launch. Windflower reading by author, Sabine's book shop, 1 p.m.</p> <p>Seven Ravens Tree Sale. 1641 Fulford Ganges Rd. Benefits African permaculture projects. 10-5.</p> <p>Community to Community 2 Conference. Workshops run Sat. &amp; Sun. at GISS. See www.solidssaltsspring.com for schedule &amp; details; or call 537-0863.</p> <p>AIDS Pandemic Panel. Part of C2C2 Conference. GISS Multi-purpose Room. 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>activities</b></p> <p>Letz Sing. Workshop led by Tina Erickson. 705 Beaver Pt. Rd., 2-4 p.m. Barb, 653-4186.</p> <p>Hula Dancing. Led by Alandra Napali Kai at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9:30-noon.</p> <p>Seven Ravens Tree Sale. 1641 Fulford Ganges Rd. Benefits African permaculture projects. 10-5.</p> <p>Community to Community 2 Conference. Workshops run Sat. &amp; Sun. at GISS. See www.solidssaltsspring.com for schedule &amp; details; or call 537-0863</p> <p><b>mon. october 23</b></p> <p><b>activities</b></p> <p>Eckhart Tolle Practising Presence Group. 7:30 p.m. Drop in. Info: Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p>Texas Hold'em. Monday nights at Fulford Inn.</p> <p>Life Drawing. For all levels at the Core Inn, 1-3 p.m.</p> <p>Salt Spring Studio Tour AGM. Lions Hall, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>activities</b></p> <p>Circle Dance Group. Meets at the Core Inn, 3rd floor. 7-8:30 p.m. Info: Susan, 537-9197.</p> <p>Co-ed Volleyball. Tuesdays at Fulford Elementary, 7:45 p.m.</p> <p>Youth Peace Forum. Music &amp; more by Salt Spring youth at Salt Spring Centre School, 1-2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Nautical Knot Workshop. Learn and practise essential knots for boating/camping at Island Paddlers meeting. All Saints, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Handstand Class. Flying Dreams Aerial Arts Studio, 5:30-7 p.m. Info: 537-4840.</p> <p>Parent-Child Mother Goose Program. Tuesdays at the Core Inn, 10-noon. Info: 537-9176.</p>	<p><b>live entertainment</b></p> <p>Simply Organic. Pipe organ recital by Barry Valentine. All Saints, 10:10 a.m.</p> <p><b>other activities</b></p> <p>Oshi Kundalini Meditation. 5:30 p.m. Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p>Your Will: How to Keep Your Money Out of Lawyers' Pockets. Will talk by lawyer James Pasuta. SS Seniors, 2 p.m.</p> <p>Texas Hold'em. Wednesdays at The Local, 7 p.m. Sign-in at 6.</p> <p>Women in Business Lunch. At the Harbour House Hotel, 11:30 a.m.</p> <p>Painters Guild Meets. Eye for Colour partners' discussion. ArtSpring, 9-3.</p> <p>SSI Garden Club. Carolyn Jones will present a slide show on the Enchanted World of the Miller Garden. Meaden Hall, 7 p.m.</p> <p>Stay &amp; Play. Drop-in play time for parents and kids aged 0 to 6. Wednesdays at Family Place, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.</p>

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**exhibitions**

- Show of work by Toronto photographer David Kalef at Galleons Lap Gallery-Atelier. Opening reception Thurs., Oct. 19, 5-8 p.m., with the show running from Oct. 20 to Nov. 3.
- Eye for Colour — a collaborative show between Salt Spring weavers and spinners, and painters guild members. ArtSpring, October 20-25, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- LeRoy Jensen retrospective exhibit and sale at J. Mitchell Gallery runs for one last week — to Oct. 25.
- Christine Russell is the featured local artist this month at the Salt Spring Roasting Co. in Ganges.
- ArtSpring lobby shows Lynda Crawford's Gardenscapes through October.
- Deb Hagarty shows new photos at Jana's Bake Shop.
- Sarah Morris' art work is at Barb's Bakery & Bistro.
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According to the Roots of Empathy website, [www.rootsofempathy.org](http://www.rootsofempathy.org), the program "focusses on raising levels of empathy, resulting in more respectful and caring relationships and reduced levels of bullying and aggression."

The program originated in Toronto, where it was started by teacher Mary Gordon. Since then, it has quickly spread across Canada.

"It's pretty big. They've just trained 160 (facilitators) in B.C. this fall," said Jan Shields, the program's local representative. "It's been funded by our B.C. government. It's highly valued."

This is the fourth year the program has been in place in the Gulf Islands. At its peak, four schools within the area participated.

This year, there are two schools already signed up for the program and a third is on the waiting list. There is only one thing missing for the third school: a baby.

Shields said they are on the hunt for a parent and baby team willing to devote about half an hour a month of time.

If you or someone you know might be interested, contact Shields at 653-4411.



**RELUCTANT SEAL:** Still in its cage after others in last Wednesday's Hudson Point seal release had hit the ocean, this seal lagged behind, apparently unsure if the sea is preferable to living at Salt Spring's Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre. Below, it gives a final look back before heading out.

Photo by Derrick Lundy



## Restoration ecologist set to visit Salt Spring

A restoration ecologist will be available for consultation to Salt Spring property owners when she visits the island next month.

"Natural areas on private property on Salt Spring Island have been subject to habitat fragmentation, invasive species invasion and logging, and in these areas it is up to individual owners to ensure the health of their little piece of paradise," states a press release.

Restoration ecologist Tamara Bonnemaïson has studied restoration at the

University of Victoria, and now works in her field in the southern interior of B.C.

She encourages Salt Spring residents to learn more about the ecosystems found on their properties and how to help in their recovery.

Services offered include plant species inventories of a property, terrestrial ecosystem mapping, identification of agents of degradation and restoration plans for properties of all sizes.

For more information, contact Bonnemaïson at [bonnetamara@hotmail.com](mailto:bonnetamara@hotmail.com) or at 250-754-6947.

## Miller gardens shown during club's 'tour'

A "virtual tour" of a botanical jewel is offered at next week's Salt Spring Garden Club meeting at Meaden Hall.

Carolyn Jones, director/curator of the Elizabeth C. Miller Botanic Garden just outside of Seattle, is the guest at the Wednesday, October 25 meeting.

Jones is also well known through her column in Gardenwise magazine and her time as horticulturist at VanDusen Gardens.

Presentation highlights will include Miller's signature woodland garden and, something islanders can relate to after a long, hot, dry summer, the development of the Mediterranean garden to trial water wise plants suited to the Pacific Northwest.

Jones' love and knowledge of plants has also given her a role as director of the Great Plant Picks education awards program.

The 40-volunteer plant selection committee consists of horticulturists from Oregon, Washington and British Columbia who meet three times a year to "nominate, debate, affirm or reject" plant material.

It is a great opportunity to see this wonderful garden as some planning is required to be one of the 500 visitors each year who visit by appointment.

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### Old Boys nab 2-0 victory

The Salt Spring Island Old Boys improved their record to 3-2, thanks to a solid performance against the Prospect Lake Lakers over the weekend.


Henry Braak registered the team's second shutout in three games while scorers Antonio Alonso and Ben Cooper provided more than enough offence in the Old Boys' 2-0 victory.


The win catapulted the team into a three-way tie for second place in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's Masters C division. The team is only three points behind first place Sooke United.

The Old Boys' next game is on Salt Spring against the Vantreights FC squad. Kick-off is scheduled for Sunday afternoon at 2:15 p.m.

### Sports Schedule

#### MEN'S SOCCER

Salt Spring FC Div. 1 vs. Vantreights  
 Saturday, Oct. 21  
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**GOING UP:** Salt Spring U17 player Megan Robinson collides with the Gorge keeper as the local squad goes down 3-0 at the lower high school field on Sunday.  
 Photo by John Cameron

## Volleyball teams challenged

Beyond enduring a 6.6 magnitude earthquake, Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) boys and girls volleyball teams experienced challenges and a chance to absorb a different culture on a 10-day tour to Hawaii.

"The trip was a wonderful experience for the kids and the students from Salt Spring were terrific ambassadors for Canada and the school," said Kellie Booth, coach of the boys team.

Competition for both teams was stiff and it was an excellent opportunity for students to develop skills and play against very experienced players.

"In Hawaii, volleyball is like soccer is here," said Booth. "They play from the time

they are very young and they play all year long."

"They are really talented there," added Jess Harkema, who travelled with the 13-member girls team. "We learned a lot and also got to know the players and exchanged gifts with all the teams."

Although the boys team won only one game, the challenge of meeting the skilled players, travelling all over Honolulu to different schools for games and participating in a mini tournament added up to an incredible experience for both teams.

"It was awesome," said boys team member David Outerbridge. "It was probably the most fun I have ever had."

## EARTHQUAKE

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"[Chaperone] Josh Benloulou went around to all the rooms and got everyone to go down to the lobby," said Harkema.

Although power was out across the state, the students' hotel had a back-up generator, and after one trip down the stairs, they were able to use the elevators. Fears of a tsunami were eased after an announcement from the U.S. Geological Society and the group went ahead with plans to go to the airport.

Roads were basically deserted as the group headed out and they arrived to find the airport quiet and without power. Parents and family members were informed immediately after arrival at the airport that the students were unharmed.

"We made the phone calls right away," said Booth. "You have to think of yourself in the parents' shoes and know how worried they would be."

At the airport, Harmony Airlines representatives were available to help them out.

"They were really good about keeping us informed," said Booth. "They had an engineer checking the structural stability of the area and they were prepared to check us in manually as all the computers were down."

Originally booked to fly out at 12:45 p.m., the Salt Spring visitors were on their way at 4:15 p.m.

"It was amazing compared to the waits and cancellations that so many other people

experienced," said Booth.

"Overall, the experience was much less stressful than it could have been," she said. "Decision making was measured and reasoned, and going directly to the airport was the best thing that we could have done."

"Because we were ready to go, we had a leading edge and we just didn't get caught up in the crowds and panic."

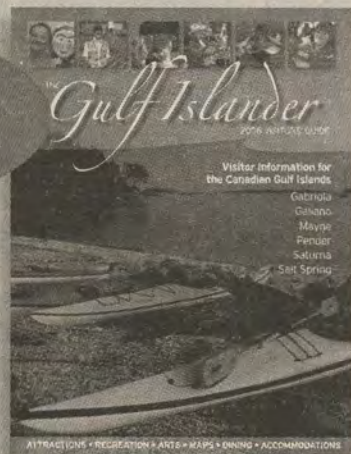
"We couldn't have had a better group to make the right moves and the right decisions," she added. "And it was the last day of a terrific trip — a tremendous experience for the kids. I just hope that the earthquake experience doesn't overshadow all the other incredible things that they experienced there."

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# Hooligans avoid Sooke potholes

• The Salt Spring U10 Hooligans arrived at Sooke's Fred Milne Park dizzy from the drive, but quickly found their balance and scoring touch in a rematch with Sooke Nielsens.

Fine opening goals from Lois Everest and Luke Hylands — which followed lead-up passing from Nick Honour and Dylan Shaver — gave Salt Spring an early lead, but Sooke quickly scored a break-away goal that gave Nicholas Pringle no chance in net.

Another goal by Hylands took the Hooligans into a deserved lead at the half.

Salt Spring had several good chances — including some from Honour and Dhurval Shah — that were thwarted by inspired goal-keeping.

A quick and intelligent free kick taken by Everest seemed to seal the victory, but Sooke came storming back with two quick goals.

A late individual effort

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by Hylands (for a hat-trick) relieved the pressure and the Hooligans returned home victorious.

• Salt Spring's U12 girls went down 2-1 to Juan de Fuca on Saturday. For the second week in a row Salt Spring was unlucky to lose by that score.

Kimberley Rothwell scored and Harianna Brooks had a goal cruelly disallowed for a dubious off-side decision, as Salt Spring played a great passing game.

The contest swung from end to end with Madison Greggains making some outstanding saves as Salt Spring pressed for the equalizing goal. The team may have been defeated, but gave a good performance all round.

• Salt Spring's U13 boys had another tough run this weekend against the Lakehill team.

Lakehill came out fast, furious, strong and organized in the first half, and dominated the field, knocking in nine in the first half.

After a rousing half-time break, the Salt Spring team was back in full force, holding their own, with each team scoring two goals in the second half.

Elijah Gold fired in the first goal with a terrific run up the field by Ronan Gunn, who assisted with a beautiful pass.

The goal helped the team get back on track, and shortly after Tai Dunkley-Whelon whizzed one in with a high shot on goal.

Despite being overpowered, the island team never gave up. Sam Lewis did a great job on defence by stopping one of Lakehill's bigger players, and Gunn was on fire in the midfield.

• Salt Spring's U17 gold girls played two games this week, falling 3-1 and 3-0 to strong Peninsula and Gorge squads.

But despite the scores, the Salt Spring team is improving with each match and dominating much of the play. Once they learn to finish effectively, they will



**FOCUSSED:** Salt Spring player Kayley-Rae Smith, right, goes for the ball in U15 soccer action against Gorge. The local squad won 2-1. Photo by Derrick Lundy

be a force in the U17 gold league.

Peninsula parents on the sidelines at a Friday night make-up game said Salt Spring outplayed the Sidney-based squad. However, a few lucky plays for Peninsula and some unlucky moments for Salt Spring resulted in the 3-1 score.

The islanders got on the scoreboard when Danica Lundy sent a low ball to the back of the net on a Caitlyn Pal pass. Many team members played to their potential with special kudos going to Sam Bowen on defence.

Sunday's match, a home game against Gorge in the rain, again saw hard work and moments of brilliance by the local girls.

Coach Dave Morgan said the play was fairly even between the teams with Salt Spring again unable to finish. He gave special mention to Helena Bryn-Thorn in a new midfield position, and Megan Robinson on the forward line.

• Salt Spring U18 boys gold team hosted Cowichan at Portlock Park Sunday.

The fast-paced game started well with the local squad coming on strong and befuddling the opposition with their style of play: quick passing, accurate shooting and building the play from the defensive to the offensive end.

Unfortunately the boys were unable to translate their efforts into goals: the calls did not go their way and the game was not to be theirs.

The team is continuing to cope with injuries and a lack of subs as well as incorporating new players into their fold.

They are focussing on streamlining their transition plays, ensuring that every player on the field is engaged in both a striking and a retreating role.

They are getting closer to reaching this goal with each successive game and are looking stronger all the time.

## Eagles dominate island Slayers

By **BILL BARRETT**  
Driftwood Contributor

Sunday's "grid iron game" saw the Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) Slayers take on the Campbell River Eagles in a soggy slip-sliding challenge of "who's got the pigskin now?"

The team rosters were closely matched with 16 players for the Eagles and 13 for the Slayers.

However, the Eagles' discipline, coordination and execution of plays dominated the Slayers' game.

The Slayers persevered and kept to their motto of "we may tire, we will endure, we will not quit."

The final score was Eagles 35, Slayers 0.

New talent arrived to join the Slayers this week with the addition of linemen Ben Barter and Ricky Donghyun to the roster.

They helped linemen

ray make a difference on the line.

On offence, it was a challenging game given the weather conditions.

Luke Stevenson had 12 carries, mostly quarterback sweeps for 84 yards.

Full-back Kevin Abbott pounded the Eagles defence line with 15 carries for 67 yards and tail-back Zack Corley had one carry for 16 yards.

Mason Raposo also returned a kick-off for 20 yards.

Defensively, Stevenson had 11 tackles followed closely by Abbott with eight tackles and a QB sack.

Tackles also came from Maggie Davidson (3), Ben Beaver (3), Zack Corely (3), Sam Miles (2), Megan Henry (2), Eric Pultke (2) and Donghyun (2).

Raposo had a good game with three tackles and an

"Warriors of the Game" were Corley, who played with a sore back, and Eric Pultke who played with a heavy cold.

"Tackle of the game" goes to defensive back Megan Henry for her tackle on a 6' 3" Eagle receiver.

SIMS Slayers would like to thank the varsity referees John Foley, Mike Shipley, Myles Raposo and Ian Barrett for their help and support in running the game.

We would also like to thank school district 64 groundskeeper, Dave Morgan, for maintaining the playing fields in pristine condition.

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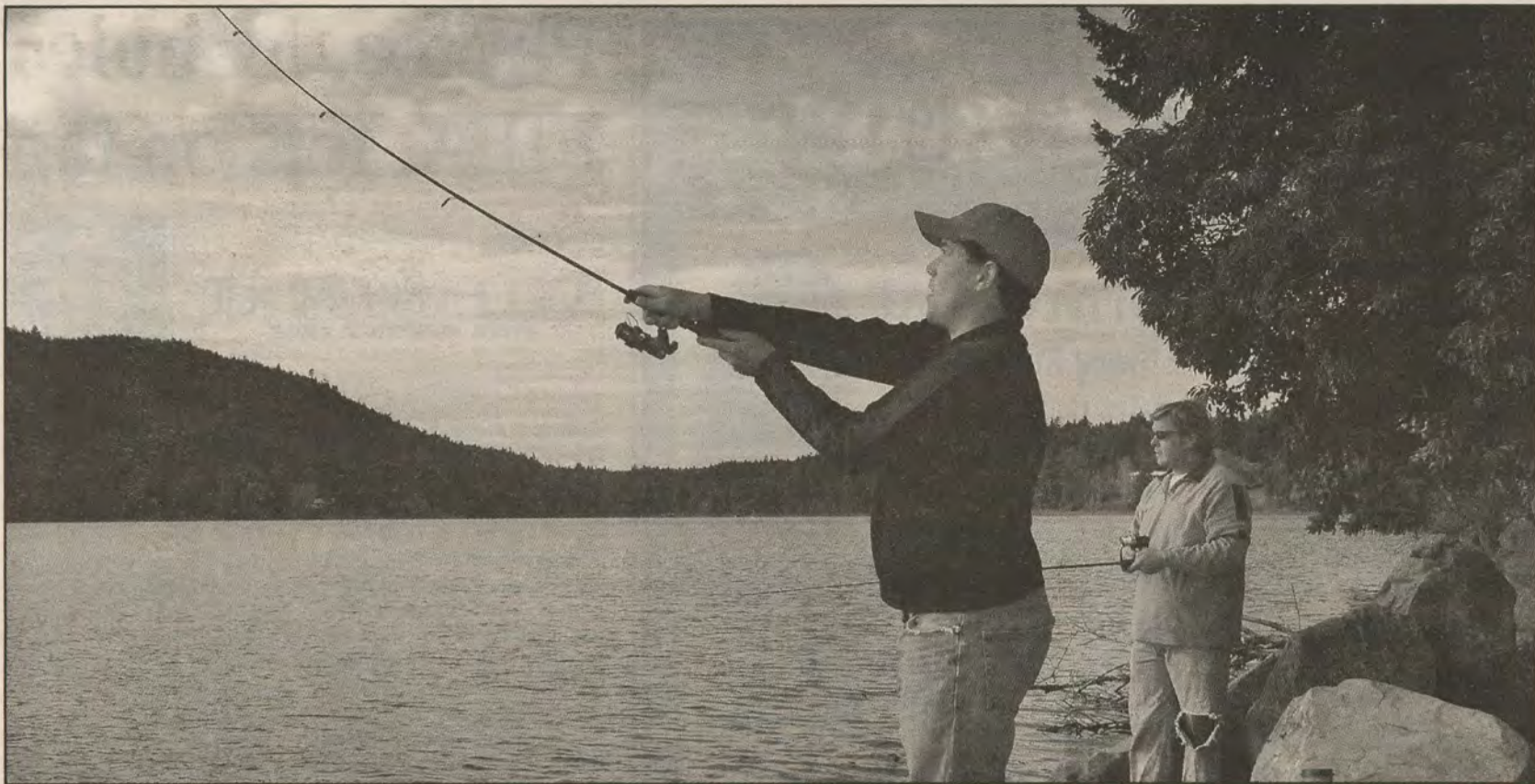
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## GISS Scorpions fall short

By ROY BANKS-BYWATER  
Driftwood Contributor

The Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Scorpions kicked off their fourth game on a dull October day last Saturday to the hosting Mark Isfeld Secondary Ice.

In the early going, the Scorpions were unable to generate much offence, with the one highlight being a 37-yard sprint by running back Taylor Stibbards.

But the Scorpions defence held Isfeld to a single touchdown.

Towards the end of the second quarter, linebacker Sebastian Banks busted into the backfield and in highlight-reel fashion slammed into a six-foot three-inch, 197-pound running back deep in their own end, and knocked the ball free.

He then scooped it up and was brought down after making a gain of 15 yards.

In the second half things were looking down for the Scorpions when Isfeld tallied a

second unconverted touchdown.

Then in the midst of the fourth quarter, 15-year-old Ian Barrett, weighing a mere 140 pounds and playing amongst Grade 12 grads, caught a kick-off return on his own 23-yard line and, with a crucial block from Stibbards, outran several Isfeld players to score a GISS touchdown.

After that, Gulf Islands play seemed to pick up, with players earning several promising first downs, but heart-breakingly they were unable to make one last touchdown.

The clear star of the game, Barrett, was also a force on defence, picking up 10 tackles from his position at safety.

Other defensive leaders included inside linebackers Hugh Finer, Steve Portingale and middle linebacker Myles Raposo, earning eight, seven and eight tackles respectively.

The Scorpions will kick off their next game at 1 p.m. on Saturday at Nanaimo District Secondary School.

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## New digs favour Vane-Hunt

By JILL EVANS  
Driftwood Contributor

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Meanwhile, back at the club's former home at the

Brinkworthy clubhouse, there was a lot of scuffling around backstage on October 2 for a complete change of scene from the recent Laundry triumphs.

Taking the premier bows this time to deafening applause and a "standing O" were Conhor Vane-Hunt and Isabelle Richardson.

Beside them in second place with modestly downcast eyes were Irene Hawksworth and Jill Evans, flanked by the bubbly pair in third spot, John Jefferson and Brent Vickers, nudging

a half point behind.

Thanksgiving Day, October 9, saw just as many as usual in competition, with Conhor Vane-Hunt, partnered this time by Irene Hawksworth, topping everyone again.

Next were Doug and Penny Poole, coming from Comox for another visit, and just behind them were Joan Conlan and Blanche Poborsa.

All these winners were very close, with only two points separating first from third.

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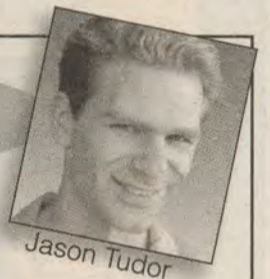
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In picking a film to review this week, there were a few choices. It could have been Robert Altman's *Prairie Home Companion*, or Terry Zwigoff's *Art School Confidential*, both highly-regarded works by highly-regarded directors.

But no, I had to pick an Adam Sandler movie.

*Click* stars Sandler as a highly successful architect named Michael (architect — uh huh) who has two cute kids and a gorgeous wife (Kate Beckinsale — yeah sure). One night a mysterious man named Morty (played by Christopher Walken — what?) gives him a universal remote control.

But it's not just any remote control. This thing does more than change channels, it also allows Michael to treat his own life like a DVD. He can pause everything around him, skip back

to scenes from his past, even fast forward through boring stuff like traffic jams.

*Click* starts as a comedy, with Michael using his magical doodad for some typical Adam Sandler schticks involving bodily functions and bloodless violence. It's kind of funny, if you're into that sort of thing.

But around an hour in the remote control takes over Michael's life, skipping past years at a time. The film suddenly turns painfully melodramatic as the poor schlub quickly realizes how he was on "autopilot" all those times when he should have been enjoying time with his family.

I don't think I've ever seen this extreme of a tonal shift in a Hollywood film. It's an utter disaster, not funny enough even for devotees of Sandler, and not dramatic enough to be an after-school special. The last 20 or so

minutes are excruciatingly painful in a way that's hard to describe.

Just be thankful that, thanks to my suffering, you are saved the same.

One would think that a terrible movie like this would mean box-office disaster, but *Click* in fact pulled in almost \$140 million at the box office. When you consider that the two films I mentioned at the beginning of this review combined for only \$25 million, that's saying something.

I'd blame the promotional trailer, which portrays it as a typical Sandler comedy and ignores any hint of sentimental yuckiness, but box office receipts have a lot to do with word of mouth.

Someone, no, a lot of people, must have liked *Click*. Maybe you'll be one of them, but I really hope for your sake (and mine, natch) that's not so.

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## Photos, Minis, FIFA: lots on tap

### SOCCER ROUND-UP WITH MALCOLM LEGG



Here's more Salt Spring Island Youth Soccer Association news, that didn't make it into last week's Driftwood report due to lack of space.

**Regarding photos,** Dick Davidson reports that team photos will be done on Friday, October 27 at the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) multi-purpose area, which will avoid any weather problems. Teams will be contacted about their times.

**Mini Program:** Dick also reported on our Mini program which has swung into full gear. Some dates to note are:

- December 16 - last Saturday of 2006.
- January 13, 20, 27, 2007 - Gymnasium program
- March 30, 2007 - last Saturday session.
- April 14 - Wind-up tourney, which is fun fun fun!

**2007 FIFA World Youth Cup tickets:** As you may know, we have tickets for sale to this special event next July, but we can only hold the tickets so long as there is demand with other associations/groups, therefore if you want ticket packages to this event (\$165 for gold, \$143 for silver and \$122 for bronze), you must act now.

Packages cover seven games (three double-headers and one group of 16 match) in July and you should note

we have centre-field tickets in the gold section (with the sun at your back - they do not get better than that!)

This is an event that comes by very rarely, so do not miss the chance and purchase your tickets now! Call Malcolm at 537-4970 or email at [mlegg@saltspringwireless.com](mailto:mlegg@saltspringwireless.com) for tickets and/or info.

**Sponsorship Program:** Once again we are actively canvassing for sponsors for our teams and parts of our program.

We already have Island Star Video, TJ Bean Coffee shop, SportsTraders sponsoring teams, Electronic Ark sponsoring referees, Thrifty Foods and Windsor Plywood sponsoring the youth tourney in May - for which we are grateful. If you are interested in sponsoring please contact Malcolm Legg about details.

There you go, lots happening this year and lots to watch, so go out and cheer on our teams, but remember our program is about player development and youth having fun, not just about winning.

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# Dragons nail 3-0 win

The opposition's pushy play, devious tackling and poor sportsmanship wasn't enough to bring down the Dragons in a 3-0 victory over Gorge on Sunday.

"Usually it's the losing team that complains about the ref," said team manager and player Joanne O'Connor.

"It's not fun to play when you think you're going to get injured. We are a competitive team, but always try to play fair."

Tempers came to a head during the second half when the referee issued a yellow card to a Gorge player after she deliberately kicked the feet of Dragons player Sue-Anne Donaldson midway through the second half.

Donaldson responded to the rough play by scoring two goals for the as-yet-undefeated Dragons.

Donaldson's first came during the first half when she successfully connected with a cross pass from Valeri Cunningham. Her second goal, assisted by outside midfielder Karla Copeland-Rice, helped seal the victory.

A penalty shot awarded to Cunningham within minutes of the team's second goal put the game out of reach.

According to O'Connor, the game was plagued by inconsistent and sometimes non-existent officiating.

"As the team manager, I try to tell the players not to play to that level," said

O'Connor. "It's definitely hard to deal with."

Dragons keeper Lindsey Kovats preserved her shut-out regardless of the steady stream of shots from the Gorge side. Defensive players Jeanie Gray and Judy Raddysh earned top marks for limiting pressure and moving the ball down field.

The Dragons' next game is against Sooke at the lower high school field on Salt Spring. Kickoff is set for Sunday at noon.

"Sooke is a traditional rival because meeting each other requires such an epic journey," O'Connor said. "We really don't know what to expect, but will be happy to finally play our first home game."

# FC on a roll with Alberni victory

After a shaky start to the season, Salt Spring FC players made it two victories in a row with a convincing 4-1 win over the Alberni Athletics last Saturday.

"We played a solid game," said team manager Jordon Morrison.

With two wins and four losses, Salt Spring FC sits in eighth place in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's first division. According to Morrison, things are turning around after the team opened the season with four straight losses.

FC's first goal came during the first half when Zoltan Kodaly placed the ball over the keeper, after connecting with a well-placed corner kick.

"We went into the first with the lead, but we probably should have had more because they weren't a very strong team," said Morrison.

Salt Spring FC wasted little time making up for its lacklustre first half when Kevin Brazier put one in the net within the first

minute of the second.

"We took it right off the kick-off and things started to open up from there," Morrison said, adding some quick passes from Jeremy Morrison and Brazier sent Jason Moulton off and away on a goal-capped partial breakaway.

Brazier's second goal, courtesy of a nicely timed pass from Moulton and a little help from a disoriented goalkeeper, gave FC its fourth goal.

With minutes remaining, Alberni managed to ruin FC keeper's Chris Griffith's hopes for a shutout after an unnecessary foul in the box gave Alberni a late game penalty shot.

Salt Spring FC will try for its third straight victory at Portlock Park this Saturday at 2:15 p.m. against visiting Vantreights FC.

Jordon Morrison said the team hopes to capitalize on the visitors' early season difficulties in hopes of regaining ground in the division.

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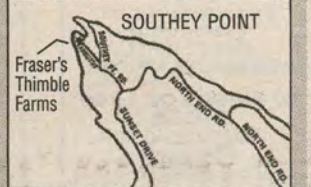
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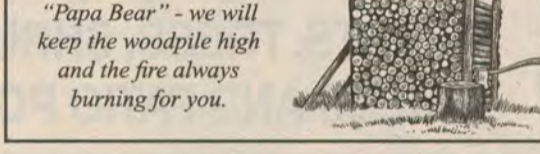
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## DIJKS, WILLMINA (MINNIE) nee PETTER

On October 6th, 2006, Minnie Dijk (Petter), our beloved Mother, Grandmother, and Great-Grandmother passed away at Lady Minto Hospital Extended Care. Born in 1908 in Enschede, the Netherlands, she married her beloved husband Jan in 1939. They immigrated to Canada in 1978 to be closer to her daughter, Ineke, in Nobleford, Alberta. In 1992 they moved with their daughter Femmy and family to Salt Spring Island. She was predeceased by her husband Jan in 1997. She is survived by her daughters Femmy (Bert) Schuurmans of Salt Spring Island, Ineke Dijk (Michael Wilson) of Coquitlam, B.C. and one son Harry Dijk of Ede, the Netherlands; grandchildren Marion Bruining of Surrey, B.C., Matthijs (Angela) Bruining of Campbell River, B.C., Sandra Dijk (Richard Hol) of Ede, the Netherlands, Mirella Dijk (Arno Kortschot) of Vancouver, B.C., Neal Schuurmans of Port Coquitlam, B.C., Robin Schuurmans of Burnaby, B.C.; great-grandchildren Ricky Hol, Ashton and Tamsin Bruining; one sister-in-law Dientje of Calgary, Alberta; and numerous nieces and nephews. A family graveside service was held on October 10th, 2006 at Central Cemetery with a celebration of her life at the home of her daughter. Her family and home were her pride and joy. Our sincere thanks go to Dr. David Woodley, the staff at Greenwood and Lady Minto Extended Care for their loving and excellent care given to Minnie.

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## 17 MARRIAGE

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## 32 MEETINGS

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Salt Spring Island's Market in the Park is administered by the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC). Annually the Commission Chairperson appoints a 19 member advisory body known as the Market Advisory Group (MAG). The group is made up of representatives of seven island Guilds, vendors, the Commission, the Chamber of Commerce, the Community Arts Council, the Island Natural Growers and the community at large. The advisory group meets 2 or 3 times per year, and submits recommendations concerning Market policies and operational matters to PARC for their approval.

Guilds and community organizations were recently invited to submit their nominations for 2007 representatives. Interested vendors and the general public are invited to apply for the following positions:

- 3 persons who regularly vend at the Market
- 2 members of the public at large (minimum 6 months Salt Spring residency)

Written applications, stating name, address, telephone number(s), previous involvement with the Market and reasons for applying, should be received on or before 12:00 noon, Monday, October 30, 2006 at the PARC office, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road, SSI, BC V8K 1K3.

If further information is required, please contact the PARC Administration Office at 537-4448.

## Land Act: Notice of Intention to Apply For a Disposition of Crown Land

Take notice that Diana Harding Sanderson of Vancouver, B.C. intends to make application to Integrated Land Management Bureau (ILMB), Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Coast Region office for a residential/private moorage situated on Provincial Crown land located in the vicinity of Princess Cove, Wallace Island.

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is 1412864. Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Section Head, Integrated Land Management Bureau at 142 - 2080 Labieux Rd., Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9. Comments will be received by the IMLB until November 19, 2006. ILMB may not be able to consider comments received after this date. Please visit our website at: <http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/clad/index.html> under **Tenure Overview and Program Information** for more information.

Be advised that any response to this advertisement will be considered part of the public record. For information, contact the Freedom of Information Advisor at ILMB's regional office.



## Request for Quotations on Commercial Cleaning Services

ArtSpring, located at 100 Jackson Ave., is seeking quotations from experienced commercial cleaning contractors to provide approximately 7 hours of service per week, on a short term renewable contract.

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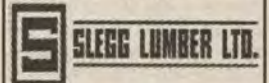
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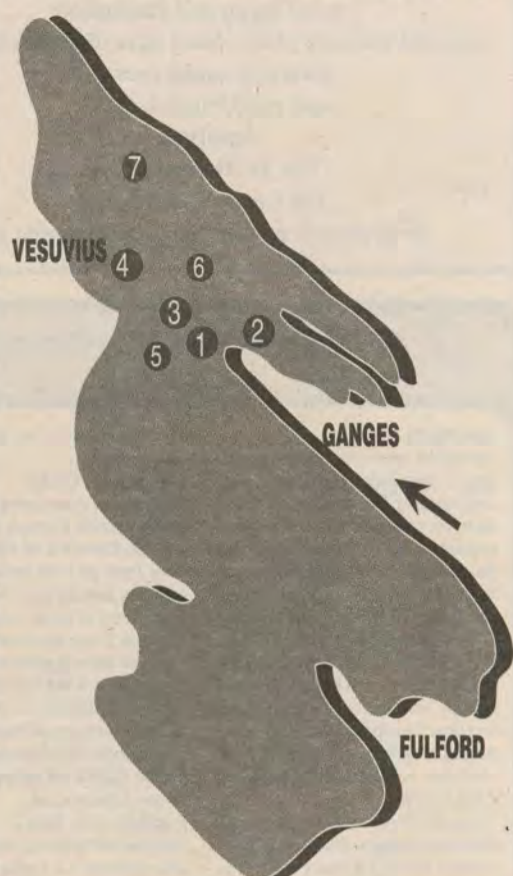
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## THE GREAT GARAGE SALE MAP



### 340 GARAGE SALES

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3 SSI COOPERATIVE preschool are having a garage sale. Sat., Oct 21 at 10 am - 2pm. 110 Aldous Rd. at the preschool, opposite the skate park. Great Little Tykes outdoor slide, basketball net, climbing gym many more toys, books, furniture....not just for kids!

### 340 GARAGE SALES

4 FURNITURE, SOFA, patio table set, dining table, doors, coffee table, bicycle, kitchenware, clothes, and lots of Japanese items. 700 Vesuvius Bay Rd. Sunday, Oct. 22. 1 - 4 pm.

5 YARD SALE. Sat, Oct. 21 9 - 2. 3 families, 231 Kanaka Rd. No early birds please!

6 ESTATE ITEMS, Sat, Oct. 21st, 9 - 2pm at 468 Walker's Hook Rd. Rain or shine.

7 SATURDAY, OCT. 21. 8am to 2 pm. 2161 North End Rd.



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## This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

### Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Your heart is opening and your consciousness is expanding and deepening your understanding and appreciation and/or desire for love, romance, and passion. Hopefully, you are actively experiencing this joyful state. Perhaps it is a yearning you have and if so, it is time you gave yourself permission to receive more love, companionship and affection too. Once you have the go ahead from within, go ahead and ask for what you want. The key here is to ask precisely. What kind of person would you like to love. Describe this person physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. It will both outline your priorities and attract you to your request!

### Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

Balancing closeness and freedom is an important aspect of a healthy relationship. It takes awareness and a willingness to experience relationships differently. Often, people live according to roles rather than learn to communicate honestly and fully about how to create a more harmonious union. There is always another way... to love, act, live! Learn to tune-in to what you need and learn to negotiate with the people in your life rather than yield to traditional patterns and expectations. Learning how to consciously negotiate better deals that create harmony is an example of being conscious, empathetic, flexible with the flow and wise.

### Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)

Gemini is generally known to be a creative communicator. Mercury is quick silver symbolic of an elastic wit seeing many sides. A playful and romantic mood vies with a more serious desire to understand the deeper meanings of relationship. Why do we have them, why do we get attached when there are so many people? Questions like these can tumble in the head, on and on. Perhaps you are learning that there are many people in your life that you love and with whom you want to share quality time. Managing your time to meet with all the people you love is an art of clear communication.

### Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22)

Creating changes close to home implies relationships and hopefully love and beauty as well. Whether these are literal and physical, like renovations on the house, or emotional and psychological, like creating an environment that nurtures more love and respect, you are determined to build a more solid foundation. Playing with the fact that you can create whatever you put your mind to is the key. So what do you value most and what are your priorities? If you want to answer this question for yourself but feel confused, ask within sincerely and trust that you will get answers, like magic.

### Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 23)

Your current situation is a call to create an upward spiral. If you feel like you are at the bottom you will even have more to push off from; do you see the light? There is a good reason for the saying, attitude is altitude. True power comes from the ability to control your state. Gratitude and reverence for life are two of the most powerful tools to create a shift of attitude. Once the shift occurs, turn your attention to the abundance of opportunities that our society actually offers. If you make a list you will be surprised. Exchanges, communications, dates and parties are in the stars - reach for them!

### Virgo (Aug 24 - Sep 22)

Building upon a more authentic, realistic and solid base is in the spotlight. Creating more love and peace includes accepting what is without judgment or blame. Life is change and the sooner we learn to flow with it all the better. Walking and/or moving and choosing and deciding is the way to stay with the flow which is otherwise known as the eternally moving balance point. That is the riddle of balance, it rarely ever stops and if it does, not for long. Open yourself to new expressions and experiences and people,

it is the way and the Tao, the ever moving essence of now.

### Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)

Swinging new deals, setting intentions and signing contracts is now in focus. You want to initiate actions that will lead to more harmony. There are a few hurdles to consider, especially financial ones. Key actions are long overdue in certain respects and you are eager to see them resolved. As life is a balance between process and outcome, continue to work with situations impersonally and with fairness for all in mind. After all, if you do not, you will have to pay for the consequences. Life is love yet, paradoxically, it is also impartial and everyone is subject to the law of returns equally.

### Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)

Tuning in to the deeper aspects and essence of life continues. It is healthy and natural to allow wonder, awe and reverence for the greater mysteries of life to awaken a receptive and humble attitude. Humility is the key to true service, which, in turn, is the key to the heart. Learning the difference between power and empowerment versus weakness and control is a part of the plot. There are many examples of both everywhere. Who are your role models? How can you emulate them? This is a good time to open your mind and expand your horizons; start with your beliefs and perceptions.

### Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

A playful, social and romantic mood continues to tickle your fancy. You love everybody and who is next? This is not to say you like everyone and that you condone unethical behaviour. Just the opposite! So, since you love everybody but do not like them all, what are you going to do respecting that everyone has a right and destiny to be here? Ahhh the details! To be in tune with the stars, deeply trust that life is infinitely abundant and that you will always have all that you need. With that faith securely in place, you can experience your mind peering through your heart once again leading you to think and act so that others can feel this way too!

### Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

Your presence is bright and clear these days. You are in the limelight and this is your big chance to gain the recognition and leverage you need to activate your goals. Sometimes in the game there is a power play and this is one of them for you. Learning or teaching "how to..." includes new skills and tools to use. Appreciation of the creative genius of others will open you to their gifts. Meanwhile at deeper levels you are undergoing a powerful transformation and metamorphoses. Hopefully this is occurring on mental and emotional levels as well as physical, for yours and the greater good.

### Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

Powerful new realizations are coming to your awareness. You are awakening to certain realities that must change for the sake of truth and justice, love and compassion. Perhaps you are aware of corruptions that you want to do something about. Maybe you feel the urge to get more involved with organizations and humanitarian grass roots movements. Either way, you feel compelled to act and commit your energy and intelligence to meaningful causes. This determination will continue to grow steadily. Listen to your conscience now; it is speaking directly to you. Take a risk to do what your heart/higher mind says.

### Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Letting go of the past in whatever form is the call now. Perhaps it is patterns of perception and approach that no longer work. Are you willing to consciously engage and with trust in the eternal renewal aspect of life. Death and rebirth ever follow one another, have you noticed? Sometimes people hold on to the past as though it is wise and noble. The past is a part of time; the moment now is a feature of eternity. So, what will it be, time or eternity? Trust in change and in the abundance of life and this will open your hands, arms and heart to receive its endless supply.

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# Fitts talk location changed for Nov. 2

The November 2-4 visit from economics and investment specialist Catherine Austin Fitts couldn't have been better timing for the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation (SSIMF).

Since Austin Fitts is a promoter of local currency and economics, previously scheduled events have been altered slightly to dovetail with the

SSIMF's annual general meeting.

Rather than give a public talk at the Mercer Gallery on November 2, Austin Fitts will be a guest speaker at the SSIMF meeting at ArtSpring. The AGM begins at 6:15, p.m. with speakers on at 7 p.m.

They include gemstone carver Thomas McPhee giving a presentation on

his design and creation of the new Salt Spring Dollars silver coin, and founders of the Lasqueti Mint, as well as Austin Fitts. Her November 4 workshop on "navigating the shift to sustainability" will still take place at the Mercer Gallery. Call Ann Watson at 653-4184 for more information or to register for the workshop.



**BRIDGING THE LAND:** Women who are relatives of every owner of the 800-acre parcel of land on Bridgeman Road in the south end near Beaver Point Hall were photographed at last week's historical society meeting holding a painting done in 1921 by Maude Bridgeman. From left are Rosalie Beach (current owner of Wave Hill Farm), Lotus Ruckle (step daughter of Corey Menhenick, sister of Don Fraser), Nancy Braithwaite (granddaughter of A.W. Bridgeman) and Barb Lyngard (relative of Theodore Tregge).  
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