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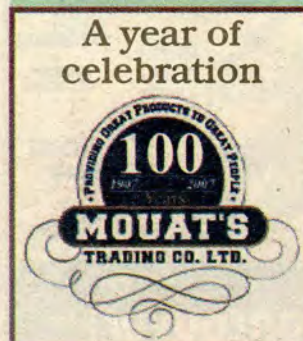
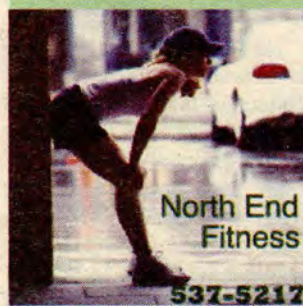


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Periods of rain continue. Highs to 14 C through the week, with lows to 6 C on Saturday.

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Judge ponders Ganges Harbour UFO

By SEAN MCINTYRE Driftwood Staff

Love it or loathe it, Salt Springers will have to wait until the end of July before a judge reaches a verdict on an unidentified floating object belonging to B&B Ganges Marina Ltd.

The news follows last week's highly anticipated three-day trial pitting the Islands Trust against the beleaguered marina over whether the object in question is legally considered a building or a boat.

The Islands Trust initiated court proceedings after the marina's owner, Rick Barbieri, refused to remove the float camp following the expiration of a temporary use permit in early 2006.

Fearing the crippled structure will sink if it's moved, the Islands Trust elected not to employ a \$16,000 letter-of-credit provided by B&B Ganges Marina with their original application.

"Towing the float camp just wasn't a responsible risk to take on behalf of taxpayers," said Linda Adams, the Islands Trust's chief administrative officer.

Insurance costs alone, she added, far exceeded the funds available.

Last week's court case, held in a Vancouver court room, is expected to decide, once and for all, who is responsible for and what can be done with the float camp structure.

"We've given our arguments and now it's in the hands of the judge," Adams said.

For their part, representatives from the Islands Trust said electrical, sewer, water and telephone hookups indicate the vessel is a building or, at the very least, a structure.

The contentious object, a two-storey building comprising office space, a meeting room, video arcade and

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A TASTE OF MARKETEEING: New Salt Spring market vendors Lesley Wypkema, left, and Simone Bova share their products last Saturday. Warmer weather should see bigger crowds in coming weeks. Photo by Derrick Lundy

NHL whomps OCP in round-one meeting

By SEAN MCINTYRE Driftwood Staff

The Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan (OCP) Review team hopes to rebound during a second open-house meeting tonight (Wednesday) after losing a match-up against the Vancouver Canucks Monday night.

More than 50 OCP focus group volunteers assembled at Fulford Community Hall for the first open house revealing focus group reports and recommendations, but members of the general public were a rare sight during the four-hour event, coinciding with Vancouver's Game 7 hockey playoff appearance on Monday evening.

"I made it but my husband is at home watching the game,"

said Pat Webber, a Stewart Road potter who looking forward to reading through the pile of focus group reports once she got home.

"It will take a while to digest it all," she said. "I think there should be a forum. The set-up here made it difficult to ask questions and concentrate on the material."

Nearly 250 pages of information from eight focus groups charged with making recommendations to guide the island's future direction was placed on the Islands Trust's website last week to give people a preview of what to expect.

Eric Booth, an island realtor and former trustee, questioned the strategy in light of the information's complexity.

"It's difficult to get through all this material," he said. "This is a starting point, but I just don't know how to engage the public."

Organizers point out the open house sessions are designed to let people examine what issues are on the table as the Trust zeroes in on more specific OCP changes.

Formal public hearings on proposed changes will be held in the fall. Focus group recommendations are available on the Islands Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca. The next open house runs from 5 to 9 p.m. today (Wednesday) at ArtSpring.

Organizers hope the early start will give them a jump on the Canucks, who take the ice at 7 p.m.

In other OCP review news, the Islands Trust announced last Wednesday that staff leadership on the project will now be undertaken by Cathy McNamara, a professional planner who worked in the Islands Trust's Salt Spring office previously.

"She now works as a contract planner, both through her own consulting company and part-time with Lanarc Consultants Ltd. of Nanaimo," notes a Trust press release. "McNamara will take over as lead planner for the review, following the departure last week of Salt Spring regional planning manager John Gauld."

McNamara will be assisted by another planning consultant, Braden Smith.

Stage set for upcoming governance debate

People with an interest in local politics can mark down Sunday, April 29 as a date not to forget.

Beginning at 1:30 p.m., members of the Islands Trust Governance Task Force will join Trust staff at Gulf Islands Secondary to present

recommendations for improving Trust governance. A question and answer period follows.

"The purpose of the report and of our public consultation meetings is to encourage thinking, discussion and input, not to pre-empt or

limit anyone's ideas," said Trust chair Kim Benson.

Allowing for more local trustees and improving coordination between the Trust and regional districts are the two main changes suggested.

The Salt Spring meeting is the first of 11 scheduled

across the Trust area and in West Vancouver to promote dialogue on the issue.

The full governance report along with a survey is available on the Islands Trust's website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca. For more information, call 537-9144.

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maritime supply store, is located on an aging barge moored to the marina.

"Our contention is that this has always been a building or a structure and has never been a boat," Adams said.

Because the verdict may have disastrous consequences for local governments

across the country, the province's Attorney General's office argued in support of the Islands Trust's bylaws during the trial.

For their part, marina representatives contend the vessel cannot be called a building simply because it has rooms and is connected to utilities.

As a boat, said Steve Azyan, director of property development for Ganges Marina, the camp does not fall under Salt Spring Island's land use bylaw regulations and may remain where it is, subject only to rules set out within the Canada Shipping Act.

"It is a registered vessel

and, like any other vessel, can be tied up in a marina," Azyan said.

For now, he said, the marina's management fully intends to proceed with "business as usual" as they await a decision regarding the identity of Ganges Harbour's very own unidentified floating object.

Friday night meeting merges Three Point rep and neighbours

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

Organizers hope a Friday evening meeting will quell tempers and rebuild relations between developers and neighbours over ongoing work at Three Point Properties' Bishops Walk development south of Ganges.

"We have an opportunity to use Three Point Properties as a model for the kind of development envisioned under the

island's official community plan (OCP)," said Ellen Taylor, a resident living down the hill from the 29-home hillside development. "The genesis of these issues stems from a lack of communication with the community."

While the location and the timing may be less than ideal, Taylor said, a meeting will finally give the public a chance to meet with developers and elected officials to

address "serious concerns" regarding unstable slopes, unprecedented water runoff and tree cutting within the Mount Belcher watershed.

Area residents say they have experienced flooding and septic tank problems since work began and fear the worst is yet to come as construction proceeds, Taylor said.

Public concern flared when it was learned a tree-cutting covenant would only come into effect when Three Point applies for a subdivision registration. The company must register the new titles before it can obtain any building permits and begin construction.

According to regulations stipulated by an existing covenant, signed into effect by previous trustees in 2004, Three Point is only permitted to fall trees to provide access to building sites and to clear land for roadways, parks and trails.

Friday's meeting will give participants a chance to see the logic behind the company's tactics and help people realize Three Point has done everything in accordance with the island's land-use bylaws

and Ministry of Transportation regulations, said J.P. Martin, Bishops Walk project manager.

"We will address the drainage and everything else that comes up," Martin said on Tuesday morning after hand-delivering meeting notices to residents. "This will be a nice chance for me to meet with everyone and clarify some of the issues."

Once construction wraps up, Three Point will begin a rigorous revegetation program to restore native plants in the area, Martin added.

Tree-clearing actions over the past few weeks prompted a call to Salt Spring Island's bylaw enforcement officer. The matter remains under investigation.

"Whether the tree clearing is more than necessary remains to be seen," said local trustee Peter Lamb Monday.

The Three Point Properties-sponsored public meeting is at 5 p.m. in the Baptist Church located at 520 Lower Ganges Road on Friday, April 27.

The Bishops Walk project is not related to the company's ongoing Fulford Farms/Isabella Point Road application.

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Weir lowers lake

St. Mary Lake beavers are being praised for their past water-management activities after their replacement — a weir — has resulted in a lower than normal April lake level.

"It was draining better when the beavers were in charge of it than when the engineers came in and put in a weir," said lakeside resident Ed Davis last week.

North Salt Spring Waterworks District (NSSWD) board member Denis Russell agreed the beavers didn't do a bad job, but the district was required to install a weir as a condition of its Ministry of Environment-issued water licence. The weir, installed last October, could be raised

from its current 40.7 metre level to a maximum of 41 metres, said Russell, which is currently being discussed by the NSSWD board.

He explained that the lower level was chosen because of concerns lakeside property owners might sue the district if their property flooded.

He also pointed out that while the lake level is lower than normal for April, the levels have been unusually high for the last couple of years, and the water won't drain as rapidly because of the weir.

Davis said his waterfront shore is about half a metre lower than the district predicted when weir planning was taking place.

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West wins NDP nod

Briony Penn isn't the only Saanich-Gulf Islands federal election candidate with Green roots.

On Saturday, area NDP members chose a former Green party candidate — Julian West — to represent the party when an election is called.

West is a Malaspina University College professor. He led on all three ballots before his 83 votes captured the title over closest challenger Mehdi Najari, who had 66 votes.

"He gave a very good speech stressing NDP priorities of sustainability/climate change, the increasing disparity between the wealthy and the rest, getting our troops out of harm's way in Afghanistan, and his particular passion, proportional representation in Parliament," said Salt Spring NDP member Irene Wright.

West is also a national activist with Fair Vote Canada, she said. He resigned from the provincial and federal Green parties in 2000 and 2003 respectively.

In other federal political news: A rumour circulating Salt Spring that Conservative Party MP Gary Lunn is considering a position with a Sidney law firm as an alternative to running in the next election is pure fallacy, according to a spokesperson at his constituency office.

"I can't believe you would even contemplate writing a story about this," said Lunn's executive assistant Logan Wenham. "He's running again and hopefully with success."

Wenham questioned the source of the rumour, considering it an opposition ploy to stir up controversy.

Lunn was nominated by acclamation in late 2006. He has successfully run in the riding since 1997 as a candidate with the Reform, Alliance and Conservative parties.

FOR THE RECORD

Elma Rubright started annual Writers Day at Salt Spring's public library, not Mona Fertig as stated in an April 18 article about Fertig and her husband Peter Haase. Fertig volunteered in later years to help with the event.



RESCUE MISSION: A disaster response exercise involving about 15 Gulf Islands emergency service groups saw the area's emergency plan response put to the test on Pender's Medicine Beach Saturday using a Cessna Caravan float plane on loan from SeaLand Aviation. Salt Spring Ground Search and Rescue members were the 10 "casualties" in the exercise, which saw observers and evaluators attend from the southern Gulf Islands and Victoria.

Photo by Brian Kieran

Life rolls on for Lefebvre

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

A Salt Spring Island multi-millionaire isn't letting money laundering-related charges prevent him from singing his own tune.

In fact, John Lefebvre is hard at work recording a new CD at the legendary Village Recording Studio in Los Angeles.

"He's living his life, even if it's under this big black cloud," said Geoff Savage, a close personal friend entrusted with Lefebvre's financial affairs. "He's keeping busy."

Last week, federal prosecutors and lawyers representing Lefebvre and business partner Stephen Lawrence agreed to postpone a preliminary hearing until May 16. It is the fourth such delay since the U.S. Department of Justice charged the two Canadian citizens in January with allegedly transferring billions of dollars between gamblers and illegal internet gambling companies.

According to prosecutors, the men knowingly used their company, NETeller, to engage in the activities. If convicted, the men could face a maximum of 20 years in jail.

As part of his \$5-million bail conditions, Lefebvre must remain in southern California or New York state. Since posting bail earlier this year, Lefebvre has been living in his Malibu bungalow.

Following the sale of his majority stake in NETeller, Lefebvre moved to Salt Spring Island where he became involved in restoring the Vesuvius Pub. The project has cost roughly \$2.5 million since it began in 2005, Savage said.

"And we can expect to pay another \$2.5 million before it's done," he added. "This is definitely a labour of love."

Efforts to restore vegetation and stabilize a slope adjacent to the pub are proceeding as Lefebvre and Savage await results of a devel-

opment application expected to pass before the Islands Trust in June.

"It's a question of how much [the Trust] will let us repair," Savage said. "As it is now, the building meets absolutely no engineering requirements."

Work has also begun on a second Lefebvre-funded project on Salt Spring, an exclusive corporate retreat located at 641 Fulford Ganges Road.



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and electrical components; improvements to firefighting system; installation of CO2 fire extinguishing system; extension of one passenger stairway; installation of passenger washroom on the car deck.

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Announcement



Emma Yardley

The staff at the Gulf Islands Driftwood are pleased to announce the return of Salt Spring native Emma Yardley to the paper. Emma has spent the past year in Halifax studying at University of King's College. She graduated at the top of her class with a Bachelor's of Journalism. She is happy to be home and be back working in the Production Department and as an editorial contributor. Emma is looking forward to Wednesday night pizza at the Fulford Inn and would like to thank her parents for putting up with her for another summer.



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OCP group targets bylaw structure, enforcement

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

An official community plan (OCP) focus group report released last week recommends more attention be paid to bylaw enforcement on Salt Spring Island.

"It is unclear whether the problem lies with the Trust not having sufficient resources to enforce its directives, or with processes it has to follow to do so," reads part of the document compiled by members of the Economic Sustainability, Jobs and Tourism Focus Group.

While no specific recommendations were made regarding the problem of enforcement, the group "flagged" the issue as a top priority for the Islands Trust on Salt Spring.

The comment comes less than a month after the Islands Trust Victoria head office announced the number of bylaw infractions under investigation is at its highest level in the Trust's 32-year history. The total number of cases is up 25 per cent from last year.

Of the 166 cases under investigation Trust-wide, 67 are on Salt Spring. The total number of Salt Spring bylaw investigations rose 48 per cent in the past year.

Most bylaw investigations cover land use violations such as the operation of businesses in residential areas, siting, density, short-term vacation rentals and failure to obtain development permits, according to a release from the Islands Trust.

George Leukefeld, the island's bylaw enforcement officer, attributes the rise to both Islands Trust bylaw enforcement funding increases and a higher level of environmental awareness among residents.

In his three years of ensur-

ing Salt Spring property owners comply with land-use bylaws, Leukefeld's shift has gone from two to three days a week.

Similar changes have occurred across the Trust's jurisdiction.

A decade ago, he said,

"We operate on a complaint-driven process and I don't think we hear about all the infractions."
— David Marlor, regional planning manager, Islands Trust

there was a lone bylaw enforcement officer for the entire Islands Trust, a collection of 13 local trust areas covering 5,200 square kilometres.

"It wasn't uncommon for the bylaw enforcement officer to spend most of his time travelling from island to island," he said.

With \$219,997 dedicated to bylaw enforcement in 2008, an 87 per cent increase over the past three years, the Trust now has three part-time bylaw enforcement officers on duty.

Despite the financial backing, he said, dealing with the problems doesn't get any easier.

"With the current case load it's difficult to become pro-active," he said.

Currently, investigations are started when a local trust committee receives a written complaint from a member of the public or a bylaw enforcement officer directly observes a violation.

"We operate on a complaint-driven process and I don't think we hear about all the infractions," said David Marlor, a regional planning manager with the Islands Trust.

Roughly 99 per cent of all investigated bylaw infractions are resolved through voluntary compliance, he added.

Bylaw enforcement officers issue alleged offenders a warning notice and deadline in which to resolve the matter. Given the high cost of taking matters to court, officers only pursue legal action as a last resort, Marlor said.

What the figures do not indicate is the number of bylaw infractions falling through the cracks.

For critics like Ken Marr of Salt Spring Island, the current process is inadequate.

"In my mind, bylaws that can't be enforced are meaningless," said Ken Marr, a director of the Islanders for Self-Government, an organization seeking to promote discussion on the merits of incorporation.

As a municipality, he said, Salt Spring Island could decide how much money it would spend and where to target it.

More information on bylaw enforcement within the island's OCP will be available at an ArtSpring open house event beginning tonight (Wednesday) at 5 p.m.

Full copies of OCP review focus group proposals are available to the public at the Islands Trust office on Lower Ganges Road or online on the Salt Spring section of www.islandstrust.bc.ca.

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REVVED UP: Some 40 women motorcycle riders of the Southern Cruisers Riding Club gathered at the Harbour House for a rally on the weekend, joining their Salt Spring counterparts.
Photo by Derrick Lundy

Fire funds

Salt Spring volunteer firefighters opened the vault and spread the rewards of a successful fundraising year by donating \$3,600 to community organizations.

The Rod and Gun Club's kids program, Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts and Salt Spring Community Services will each receive cheques for \$1,200.

The volunteer firefighters association's annual boot drive takes place on the May long weekend. This year's funds benefit the island's D.A.R.E. program.

'Design charrette' gives villages a long-term makeover

The future of Ganges and Fulford villages is the theme for Salt Spring Island's first design charrette, an intensive workshop taking place at the Farmers Institute from May 1-4.

The charrette will bring together three teams of design professionals, including a core group of local architects, designers, planners, builders and artists, and a support group of specialists and knowledgeable residents.

Their design challenge will be to enhance and illustrate the current plans and policies for the villages, especially the draft visions and recommendations recently completed by focus groups working on the official community plan review and by stakeholders in the recently launched Ganges Harbour management plan.

"Teams will be asked how the latest ideas can be improved and how we can best manage the transition over the next 30 years," explains a press release. "Are there alternative, creative design approaches that might enhance the villages as places to live, work and visit, and as service centres for the island as a whole? What might the villages look like in the long term, and how might they function?"

Charrette results will be showcased on a website prepared by I-SEA (Institute for Sustainability, Education and Action), a local not-for-profit organization coordinating the event. Results may also be presented in the local media and in a comprehensive final publication.

Island residents can interact with design teams at the end of the second day — Wednesday, May 2, from 4 to 6 p.m., when the teams are looking for feedback on their preliminary ideas and also for additional design suggestions. The public is welcome to come and join one of the teams for these two hours.

On Friday evening, May 4, the charrette will conclude with a public presentation by all teams commencing at 7 p.m., followed by comments from a distinguished panel, and then a mixer with the teams to discuss their ideas and drawings. Everyone is welcome.



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Speaker brings energetic conclusion

By ELIZABETH NOLAN
Driftwood Staff

A packed house and a standing ovation marked Guy Dauncey's talk last Thursday as a gripping end-note to a recent series of lectures.

Dauncey's talk, called The Great Climate Change, was the fourth and final of the speakers' series called Imagine Salt Spring.

Dauncey is a well known figure in the area, as the author of Stormy Weather: 101 Solutions to Global Climate Change and the founder and publisher of Eco-news since 1991.

Fresh from speaking to Salt Spring high school and middle school students earlier that day, Dauncey launched into his program with a joke about Briony Penn and then rocketed off from there into the substance of his presentation.

Dauncey's BBC accent and slightly manic speaking style may recall Monty Python, and his passion saw him speaking far too quickly for many. One audience member later criticized the speech as being overly glib. However, Dauncey's central message that change is both absolutely critical and possible is one the audience appreciated.

Dauncey said it is totally inevitable we'll one day have to stop burning fossil fuels (since they'll run out), and he insisted we should do it now before the Earth's temperature rises a further 2 degrees C.

Striking a blow against nay-sayers and apathetic wafflers, Dauncey said there are two types of problems we face: the first is the problems themselves, the second is our belief that we can't do anything about them. However, Dauncey strongly believes we can do something about them, and spent the rest of the evening showing how.

"This is our equivalent of Hitler moving into Europe," he said at one point, adding that now as then, to not act would be disastrous for humankind. "Total commitment to change, that's what's needed here." In another telling metaphor, he said that "a lot of people got inconvenienced when they ended slavery. Well, that's life!"

In terms of solutions to using fossil fuels, the author gave examples of alternative, renewable energy sources, including solar hot water, geothermal heating, tidal energy, wind energy and sewer-source heat-pumps.

"Regulations create good civilization," he boldly stated at one point. Later on he blasted Salt Spring's current OCP as the "worst ever" because it allows for so much development right across the island.

Solutions to climate change that can be incorporated into the OCP, he said. Limiting suburban sprawl, building safe bike and pedestrian paths, and limiting development to high-density centres can transform car culture and limit carbon

burning. Dauncey proposed building stronger local economies with much more local, organic food production to reduce transportation and to return carbon to the soil. He also called for including more energy efficiency in building regulations, as is already done in San Francisco and Berkeley, retrofitting

old buildings, and putting in green codes for all new buildings. Getting personally active is just as important as building change into our legal documents, Dauncey concluded.

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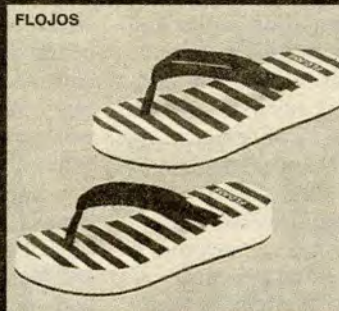
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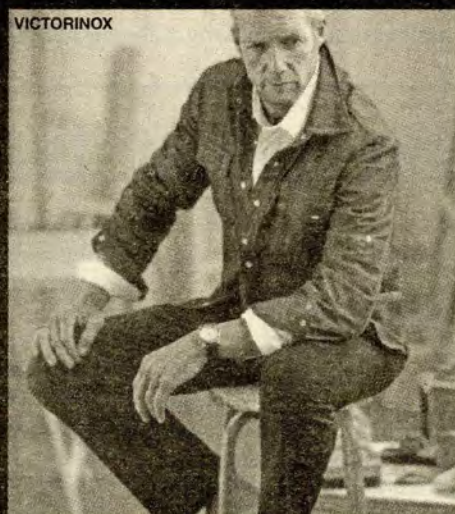
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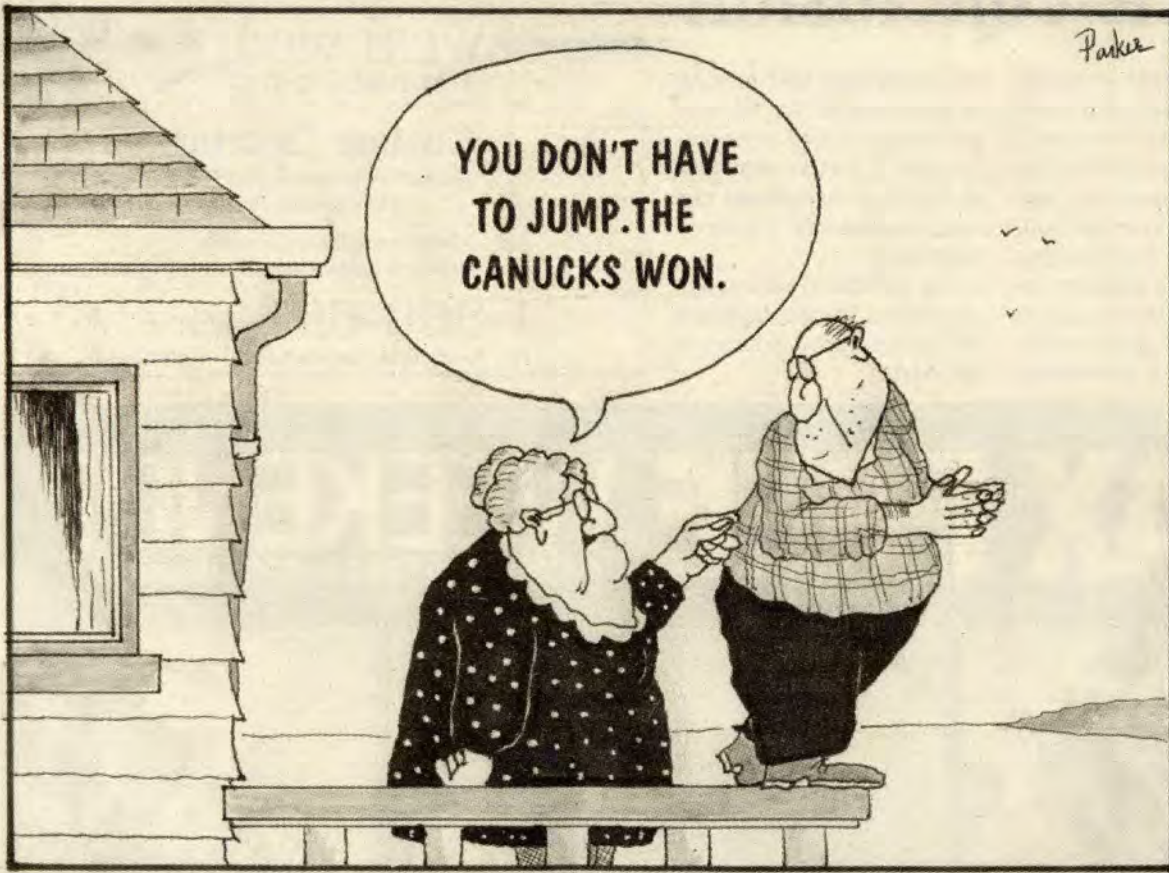
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Ballot gets greener

The prism of controversy about former Green party member Briony Penn's switch to the Liberal camp grew more colourful on the weekend with local New Democrats' choice of Julian West to represent the party in the next federal election.

It would have been more interesting if West was a former Reform/Canadian Alliance/Conservative party member, of course, but even his former Green party affiliations — he was a Cowichan-Ladysmith candidate in the 1996 provincial election — indicate a change of party is not such a big deal.

Whatever happened to party loyalty being the ticket to winning a nomination bid? And can voters trust candidates who've jumped horses at some point in the past?

Certainly, those who switch party affiliation right after they've been elected, as witnessed with Vancouver-Kingsway Liberal-turned-Conservative David Emerson, are suspect. Campaigning for voter support based on one party's platform and then walking across the floor within weeks is a black mark for democracy.

But gone are the days when one's lifelong political affiliation was determined by a tattoo applied at birth, and that's a change for the better.

"Integrity" should not be defined by how many decades one spends adhering to a single political philosophy, or pursuing societal improvements through the same old channels.

Our collective inability to change course or accept merit in opponents' arguments has proven disastrous throughout human history. People with power who are unable to change their positions despite fresh circumstances and receipt of new information are not the type we want to lead us.

Political candidates should keep election promises, yes, and not switch parties after being elected under one party banner without seeking electoral approval again.

At the same time, voters need to pay attention during the rigorous process of an election campaign and make an effort to glean something substantive about their candidates and parties.

May the best candidates win, regardless of past affiliations.

Letters to the Editor

Policing issues aired Thursday

All local business owners and concerned citizens are invited to a meeting this Thursday, April 26, 7:30 p.m. at the Harbour House, where an open discussion of the policing issues facing the village core will be aired.

A few quick facts about

policing on our island. Designated as a "rural" community, Salt Spring is currently allotted eight RCMP members.

If any of these eight is injured or transfers out at any given time, the money saved from not paying these wages for months on end does not accrue back to Salt Spring to meet its own policing needs... it reverts back to the provincial RCMP general reve-

nue budget, where squeakier wheels get our grease!

"Burnout" is very much an issue as the current members are loath to leave their partners with no back up as they try to take their much-deserved holidays off-island.

Our current complement of members does yeoman's service. They do everything they can to address our growing policing needs, but

they are stretched too thin at a rate of one member for 1,250 citizens. Other communities our size are contracting for a 1/800 ratio.

Salt Spring's issue of the swelling population in the summer season should see us utilize 12 to 16 members to meet the peak season, just maintaining our current ratio. It's not fair to our current members or our beleaguered citizens and business

owners.

If Salt Spring were to incorporate, the RCMP would be under direct contract to deliver the services it has contracted for, regardless.

If we pay for eight members, we get eight members, period, not the six or seven we seem to have been reduced to recently.

If we were to decide that we want 10 or 12 or even 16, we contract for them

and they are provided, end of story.

The time has come to seriously undertake a review of the potential for incorporation while remaining within the Trust mandate and receiving adequate policing resources is just one of the issues that needs to be addressed immediately.

STEVE KNIGHT,
Salt Spring

MORE LETTERS 9

Worldwide deforestation: It affects you and the environment

By KELSEY MECH

How much paper goes from your desk into the garbage each day, or from your kitchen counter into the trash? Far too much? Sales, advertisements, and brand names pop out at you. "You can save 40 per cent on Lays potato chips if you buy them this week." Forty per cent? That's a big number! And so you go to the store. But did you ever think of the excessive waste of paper in fliers that you are supporting? The energy? The gas? If you did, good on you... but are you doing anything about it?

How many times do you stop by a fast food restaurant for a burger, or eat a steak, or indulge in a shrimp dish? When you do, do you ever think of the implications this has on the forests of the world?

Many of us shake our heads at the massive amounts of deforestation taking place in this day and age, and some of us feel sad that the amount is growing. Many of us even recognize the negative affects that this has on the environment, wildlife and even the economy and people. But did you know that 52 acres of trees are demolished in one way or another every single minute? That's an

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even bigger number than 40 per cent off of Lays potato chips! Less than an hour from now, an area of Brazil's rainforest larger than 200 football fields will have been destroyed! Over the past 15 years, Central America has suffered the highest deforestation rate of any region in the world, losing 20 per cent of its forest cover. But so what, right? Deforestation in Timbuktu doesn't affect you anyway — or does it?

Deforestation results from the removal of trees without sufficient reforestation. The largest cause is slash-and-burn activity in tropical forests. Deforestation can cause flash flooding and landslides. It also alters the amount of water in the soil and the moisture in the atmosphere, which can affect precipitation levels. This in turn changes erosion rates and the availability of water, which affects nearby fauna left growing, and the balance of rivers, streams and lakes and thus the wildlife that dwell in these waterways.

Many forests are rich in biological diversity. Deforestation

can cause population shifts and extinctions in wildlife. Native peoples depend on forests or rainforests for their survival and the forests' destruction eventually leads to these peoples' decline as well. Furthermore, deforestation can destroy irreplaceable sources of plants with medicinal properties and agricultural benefits.

But probably the biggest factor is that forests are the source of the oxygen that we need to breathe. During the process of photosynthesis, trees and other plants absorb sunlight, water and carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, store carbon and release oxygen.

Climate change and forests are also linked. When trees and forests remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, they store the carbon in the form of wood and vegetation, and help to offset the effects of global warming. On the flip side, when destroyed, overharvested or burned, forests can also become sources of carbon dioxide. After the burning of fossil fuels, clearing and burning forests is the second major cause of releasing man-made carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

And, when we think of forests, we need to also think far from home, to tropical rainforests,

which contain almost 50 per cent of the earth's known insect, plant and animal species, and are primary suppliers for much of the world's oxygen.

Now, back to you and me. Did you know that every week GISS throws approximately 35 cubic feet of paper into recycling bins, and loads more that ends up in the garbage? From November 1, 2006 to January 17, 2007 the school produced 790 kg of paper and cardboard waste. (This also translates to a recycling cost of \$225, since the local recycling depot no longer accepts commercial or institutional recycling.)

Outside of our little world, the numbers are much bigger. McDonald's uses 800 square miles of trees to make the amount of paper they need for a single year's supply of packaging. Eleven million acres of trees a year are cut down for commercial and property industries. And how about that hamburger, or even fast-food chicken?

Most rainforest burning is driven by cattle ranching. It has been calculated that for every quarter-pound hamburger made from rainforest beef, 55 square feet of rainforest are destroyed. Most of the plants, animals and fungi

that live in rainforests can't survive anywhere else. If that area is destroyed, that species is gone forever. So if 55 square feet of rainforest are destroyed, it isn't just a piece of land that is lost — up to 165 pounds of plant and animal species are destroyed, including up to 30 species of plants, 100 species of insects, and dozens of species of birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. Now, imagine a family of four going out to McDonald's for dinner — an area the size of a living room destroyed for one meal — and in many cases, 660 pounds of life killed to produce one pound of food for humans!

And sadly, with slash and burn agriculture, after only two or three years, the nutrients are so depleted and the soil is so compacted from grazing that the land is no longer valuable even for this very low-end purpose, nor can forests re-grow. Thus, fast food corporations are forced to continuously find new space for pastureland. This industry was one of the first to transform the problem of deforestation into a crisis.

The writer is Grade 10 GISS student. This is the first of two parts.

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *How do you feel about the Minister of Environment's announcement the Kyoto Protocol will bring about a recession?*



Ann McPhee

The cost of having to go green is expensive but worth it.



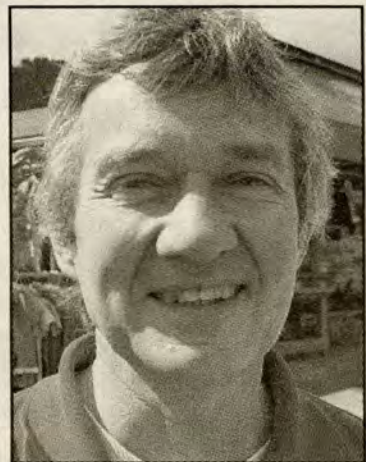
Fred Trollope

I think he's probably right. Kyoto is a totally unrealistic target.



Therin Gower

Businesses need to start looking at developing processes that are more benign to the environment.



Bruno Gonzalez

It's intoxication and propaganda. They don't have any answers that fit the party line so the easiest way out is to scare people.



Lali Formaggia

It's very short-sighted and lacks assertiveness for not considering the broader environmental reality.

More letters

Let common sense prevail

B.C. Ferry Services Inc. announces it too will step up security measures, including hidden cameras, random passenger checks, fencing, more lighting, etc.

Transport Canada is offering a three-year Marine Security Contribution Program where operators are encouraged to apply for grants and funding regarding future security enhancements to their facilities. We need to let business and government know how we feel about mounting costs as well as the need of future control and surveillance of individuals.

Last year I watched a documentary on world-wide aviation security measures since 9/11. An undercover reporter proved how ineffective these systems are while he repeatedly slipped through the pre-boarding checks carrying weapons, various other disallowed objects and suspicious substances. It had been concluded that these increased procedures have turned into a multi-million dollar business while causing undue delays and inconveniences to travellers.

I am a German citizen and last year en route to and from Nicaragua I had been pulled out of the line-ups, fingerprinted and photographed four times (border crossing, Seattle, Houston). I wondered whether it was because of my final destination or because Germany wasn't exactly cheering for the Iraq invasion. When I asked one of the officers, his reaction was hostile and intimidating, while my daughter pleaded with me not to ask questions.

This year while returning to Vancouver (avoiding the U.S. altogether) I unintentionally had my knitting pouch complete with crochet hook and scissors in my carry-on bag; it had never been detected. However my hot take-out soup was not allowed on the plane for security reasons.

I believe that we will never be able to detect or control every single deranged or suicidal terrorist/killer. I fear our attempt for ultimate security will compromise our personal freedom and can feed into a dangerous mass hysteria.

Let's instead hope that all B.C. Ferry employees thrive to be alert and let common

sense prevail.

VERA ROBINSON,
Musgrave Road

Improving governance

I was a public observer at the Islands Trust Governance Task Force meeting two weeks ago and spoke at the Islanders for Self-Government open house Sunday before last.

Our trustees are to be commended for all the hard work they have put in on this task. I was very impressed by the attitudes of trustees from other islands at the task force meeting. George Ehring and Peter Lamb have convinced them that the governance problems are serious and that a remedy is required. Gary Holman's optimism regarding the Capital Regional District (CRD) delegating all service authority to a local co-ordinating commission is hopeful, but I admit I am still skeptical about the chances.

I sit on the board of ISG because I want improved governance for Salt Spring, not because I necessarily favour incorporation. In my personal opinion (i.e. I have not discussed this with ISG

nor is it ISG policy), if we could get the trustees' proposal past the other islands and through the provincial ministry and delegation by the CRD Board to a local joint committee and action (not just data collection) by the Trust on resource allocation, incorporation would be unnecessary. That is a lot of "ifs" to get an end more simply accomplished by incorporating Salt Spring, but I give our elected officials credit for trying very hard.

The final report of the Trust's consultant, required by the ministry to ensure that all options were considered, is or soon will be on the Trust website. If you are concerned about local governance, please read that report in detail. Come to the Trust meeting at GISS on Sunday, April 29 where the Trust presents the conclusions of the report. Ask hard questions. It's your money. You deserve good answers.

NORBERT SCHLENKER,
Salt Spring

Housing and parking

We all love the additional income brought to Salt

Spring by summer visitors, but most of us bemoan the parking hunt that all those off-island cars create. So when people hear about requests for reducing parking requirements — anywhere on Salt Spring — they get worried.

Which is why a lot of people are confused, maybe even made uneasy, when they hear that the Murakami community housing project is asking the Islands Trust to permit 12 parking places on the site — instead of the 34 that are the "standard" requirement.

Here's what's actually involved: The Trust's bylaw says that for each housing unit built, 1.25 parking spaces have to be provided. Murakami Gardens will have 27 units, and so — unless a variance is granted — it would need to build 34 parking spaces for tenants.

The project is designed to provide housing for low to moderate-income individuals and families. Most of the people currently on the waiting list have stated that they don't want to pay for running a car — if they can live within walking distance of work, schools and shopping. Murakami Gardens is to be

constructed across the street from Windsor Plywood.

At other affordable-housing projects built in B.C., where the full number of parking places have been put in place, most spaces stand empty. And amortizing the cost of added parking spaces to a project increases the rentals that have to be charged to tenants.

A car-share program will be put in place at Murakami Gardens, which will provide two cars that can be "booked" by tenants. Studies show that each car in a car-share program serves between six and eight families — at much less cost than that of individual car ownership.

For all those reasons, it is being proposed that 12 parking spaces should be provided on the site: eight for tenants with cars; two for the car-share vehicles; and two for visitors.

An application asking for a parking variance in support of that proposal has been submitted to the Islands Trust, which will consider the matter at a future Trust meeting.

SUSAN BERLIN,
Beddis Road

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Politicians' treatment of each other tarnishes 'Honourable' title

By **JEAN GELWICKS**

I am writing this in sheer frustration, as I can almost not bear to listen to our elected federal/provincial officials on the news and I especially don't want children anywhere near a TV to observe news stories showing the behaviour of our elected officials in parliament. This, I predict, will only get worse as a federal election draws near.

I have been doing some thinking about the word "Honourable" while addressing letters to many "Honourable" and "Right Honourable" federal and provincial politicians.

Honourable — Worthy of being honoured. Honour — to be held in high regard or respect.

I think most Canadians agree, we want to believe all our elected officials are good, honest, hard-working and sincere people, doing the best they can, to do the right things by all Canadians, but

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who will differ on policies, issues, and procedures that need to be discussed and debated. We want to believe all our elected officials, no matter what party they represent, are working together to make Canada the best place to live for its citizens and to be a positive model and force in the world. Maybe this is a bit naïve but wouldn't it be nice?

These days the word "Honourable" is being tarnished and it is being tarnished by some of those same politicians wearing the title "Honourable." When I listen to the news, what I hear too often is politicians doing their utmost to persuade me that the other members of parliament are not sincere, trustworthy and certainly not capable of the

post they were elected to. If I am to believe what I am told about some of our politicians, by other politicians, many are suspect characters. The news is full of politicians bad-mouthing, blaming and generally not speaking well of one another. This does not raise the confidence of Canadians in our government as a whole. In everyday life away from parliament buildings, people who behave this way to others are not the people one generally wants to hang out with, which is a long way from being "Honourable."

This, I believe, is one of the reasons why many Canadians are becoming jaundiced about our political system. Mud slinging is not the way to run a government. In fact, it is not the way to run anything: an organization, a business, school, team or family. What kind of confidence would we have in a group where some members were often degrading other members? We would not

be investing in that company or joining that organization/ team or wanting our kids to attend that school? So then why do we accept this kind of behaviour from our "Honourable" politicians?

I think former NDP leader Ed Broadbent said it well when he addressed the seriousness of this matter in Parliament: "Those who will remain after the next election, whenever it may be, should give some serious thought to the decline in civility in the debate that has occurred in the House of Commons and which occurs daily in question period. If I were a teacher, I would not want to bring high school students into question period any longer." (House of Commons, May 5, 2005.)

There are really decent people in government. I have respected politicians from all parties.

We live in a democracy, where speaking out is not just a right but a responsibility of every citi-

zen. It is our responsibility to stay informed, speak our minds, and keep our politicians honest and well behaved. If we are not happy with the way our elected officials are conducting our business, we need to tell them so. If an election is really coming soon, we need to tell them we want to hear meaningful discussions about issues, we want honesty, openness and above all we want to see action that places a priority on serving citizens' needs for peace, equality, justice and protection of nature for the benefit of all citizens.

Tell them to dump the poor behaviour, be respectful of each other and stick to the issues. Maybe we can enjoy watching the news again and become engaged in elections.

Let's put some respect back into the word "Honourable" and back into our government.

The writer is a retired teacher.

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Training essential

We wish to thank the Salt Spring Fire Department.

Two weeks ago week we had a chimney fire that spread to the roof of our home. We were on vacation at the time but thanks to the quick action of our housesitters and the quick response of the fire department not too much damage was sustained. A few minutes longer and it would have been a lot worse. We have heard many times how lucky we are to have this fire department, but until such an event happens, you cannot appreciate how fortunate we really are. After all, most of them are volunteers, spending their own time training and responding to calls. The lack of damage was, we believe, directly attributable to the training our volunteers receive. It was obvious that they are taught much more than pointing a fire hose at the flames. From what we were told the firefighters were well organized, knew what they had to do and did it efficiently.

Tarps were spread out, care was taken to minimize damage to the rest of the house and, when the fire was out, follow-up advice was given. We will be supporting the proposed training facility. It's not just a matter of putting out a fire.

BRIAN and FIONA WOLFE-MILNER,
Salt Spring

Deserving of credit

I appreciate Briony Penn and I will abandon party loyalties to vote for her.

That said, I would like to remind everyone that while Briony was off in Scotland studying and raising her young, the hard-core work of protecting the environment in B.C. and alerting the public was being done by members of the Green and NDP parties.

The Save Salt Spring campaign was a broad community effort. Even the Lady Godiva ride was conjured up through a group pub think and Briony volunteered. The whole thing was executed by the efforts of many individuals. It was suggested to her that while up on the horse she emphasize the fact that she has a Ph.D, otherwise, the action wouldn't be credible. I'm sure you know the reasoning here.

Guy Dauncey, who spoke here last Thursday, wrote the environmental policy for the Green party. It is excellent.

There are many heroes and heroines in the environmental movement who deserve much credit.

Now the real heroes are the individuals who choose to adopt all the methods of changing their habits to conform to the needs for maintaining a healthy planet.

M.L. JOHNSTONE,
Lower Ganges Road

Money where mouth is

As a significant number of us wish to move away from imported, exploitational, agri-business-produced "cheap food," we must give serious consideration to imaginatively pursuing Ron Puhky and Howard Fry's modest proposal that we "do the right thing" and support the donation by Three Point Properties of 65 acres of prime farmland in the Fulford Valley.

How can we build food self-sufficiency? Envision the following scenario. A non-profit organization (let's say the Farmers Institute) receives the land, enlists the support and expertise of local interested groups, such as Island Natural Growers, to coordinate and manage the property so it can get back into full production as soon as possible. The type of organization may, but does not necessarily have to, be a cooperative. It should be community-responsive, however. If a full-time management team is appointed, leases are written, fences erected and intensive agriculture backed by reliable water supply is soon growing vegetables, fruit, herbs, etc. to feed 3,000 islanders.

The large pond there could produce fish and ducks, and greenhouses would extend the growing season to year-round production if married to geothermal heat. The site attracts important infrastructure such as cold storage, food processing facilities and, most importantly, a training program for new/young farmers.

By putting their money where their mouth is, local investors establish and build further infrastructure, such as centralized composting, a local abattoir, a permanent farmers market, land trusts and community gardens, thus recognizing that farmland stewardship and the creation of employment for both primary and value-added producers are the underpinning of our community, a socially responsible version of investment, and an enhancement of our rural landscape.

DENIS HODDINOTT,
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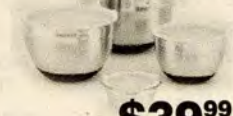
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The Islands Trust Council has adopted a Strategic Plan to address the challenges of the 21st century as effectively as possible. **"Excellence in Governance"** is one of our top strategic priorities and we established a Governance Task Force to focus on this important task in the current term. At this point, the Task Force is seeking ways to improve **political representation** in the Islands Trust Area. Any changes to the political structure of the Islands Trust would require amendments to the provincial *Islands Trust Act* and only the provincial government can make such changes. The Ministry of Community Services has agreed to consider our recommendations about improvements. It has shared in the costs of a Governance Review to analyze the existing situation, identify concerns and suggest options. Before making any recommendations to the Ministry, we want to hear the ideas of those who live and/or own property in the Islands Trust Area.

Please come and find out more and then let us know what you think about:

- ◆ the size of Local Trust Committees;
- ◆ the structure of the Islands Trust Council; and,
- ◆ the coordination between the Islands Trust and regional districts (currently we are focusing just on coordination with the Capital Regional District, but would like to know what you think about this topic throughout the Trust Area).

We'd like to hear from you

- ▶ Come to a meeting
- ▶ Fill out a survey
- ▶ Send us a fax or an e-mail
- ▶ Check our website or your library
- ▶ Write us a letter
- ▶ Or simply talk to us

Your trustees will host public meetings where our Chair, Kim Benson, and Chief Administrative Officer, Linda Adams, will present information on the Governance Review and some of the options for change. This will be followed by a question and answer period and an opportunity to provide your comments.

<u>Island</u>	<u>Open House</u>	<u>Presentation</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Salt Spring	1:00 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	Sunday, April 29	Gulf Islands Secondary School Multi Purpose Room
Denman	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	Tuesday, May 1	Denman Community Hall
Hornby	3:00 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	Wednesday, May 2	Hornby Community Hall
Lasqueti	1:00 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	Friday, May 4	Lasqueti Community Hall
Gabriola	1:00 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	Saturday, May 5	Gabriola Community Hall
Thetis	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	Saturday, May 5	Forbes Hall
Mayne	3:00 p.m.	3:30 p.m.	Monday, May 7	Mayne Agricultural Hall
Galiano	7:00 p.m.	7:30 p.m.	Wednesday, May 9	North Community Hall
Gambier/Bowen	5:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Thursday, May 10	Gleneagles Community Centre 6262 Marine Dr., West Vancouver
North/South Pender	1:00 p.m.	1:30 p.m.	Saturday, May 12	Anglican Parish Hall
Saturna	6:30 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	Monday, May 14	Saturna Community Hall

For a copy of the Governance Study, to complete a survey on some of the options, or to suggest your own options, please go to our website **after April 25** at: www.islandstrust.bc.ca and click on Governance Consultation in the Highlights Box. Send us an e-mail at: information@islandstrust.bc.ca Write us or visit our offices at:

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Ready to offend

Enough already! Re Vincent, Peter that is.

But I have a brief comment about Rowan Percy's April 11 response to Peter Vincent's April 4 column.

I know and respect Rowan, but there was one sentence of hers that should not have been included: "I am ashamed to be a member of a community where such soul-destroying invective can be published."

Well, I am proud to be a member of a community where controversial opinion pieces or letters, even those offensive to some, can be published. The one in question certainly provoked a wonderful mixed response.

This letter will offend several persons. I am a lifelong CCFer and New Democrat

and in over half a century only once did I vote strategically, in an Ontario provincial election. In 1989, the year before I came here, a real neanderthal Tory was running in Jim Flaherty territory. The New Democrat, a great lady and sister of the then mayor of Victoria, had no chance of winning. I voted for the decent Liberal candidate. The Tory won.

I am planning to vote for Briony Penn. I respect both Jack Layton and Ed Broadbent but I was annoyed with their negative knee-jerk reaction to the May-Dion arrangement in Nova Scotia. I don't expect some of the hard-line union supporters on Salt Spring to understand, and they would not vote for Briony and would vigorously oppose any withdrawal of an NDP candidate (as would Andrew Lewis and

the Greens for their party), but it is important to try and defeat our local MP who, for me, fits the political neanderthal designation.

I hope lots of Green and NDP voters will support Briony; we've had enough of the "Bush-Cheney lite" new government.

I will still contribute financially to the federal NDP campaign and a lesser amount to Briony's campaign.

I wish there could be a dozen or so riding arrangements so that the candidate who has the best chance of defeating a Conservative had his or her field to themselves. If Briony won it would certainly put journalist Elizabeth Nickson's knickers in a knot.

JACK HALLAM,
 North End Road


Missing Mona

What a lovely tribute to Mona Fertig and Peter Haase in last week's paper. I greatly enjoyed reading Dawn Hage's seamless piece of work. Yes, writers throughout B.C. will miss Mona, who has done more than we can know for writers locally, provincially and nationally — maybe even internationally for all we know. She's that kind of person — unassuming yet "there" for those of us who choose — or are chosen — to make the creative written word our work. Salt Spring Island will be worse off for Mona and Peter leaving; Savary Island should cheer.

TRYSH ASHBY-ROLLS,
 The Writers' Union of Canada, Canadian Association of Journalists, Pender Island

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RANTS & ROSES

RANTS

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Bunches of spring roses are going out to West of the Moon, Delaine Faulkner, Salt Spring Coffee Company, Lions Club, The Harbour House, Little Foot Bakery, Living Garden, all the bakeries, Ganges Village Market, Thrifty Foods, Soya Nova and the community for constant fundraising, donations of food items and the cash donations that keep the Community Food Bank going every week.

A big thank you to the Salt Spring Unitarian Fellowship for supporting Jordan Roper and the GISS Improv team in their journey to Ottawa and the Canadian Improv Games. We placed seventh in Canada! Jordan Roper

Dozens of roses to the 50 members of our association who worked long and hard at our annual Spruce Up the Beach event on Sunday. The shoreline from the Fulford Inn to Drummond Park yielded two truckloads of garbage and brush. Also a very special thank you to the six members of our Coast Guard who volunteered to remove four truckloads of debris and garbage from the beach to the south of Drummond Park. Ken Lee, president of SSSIPORA

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- Carrots
- Garlic
- Fresh basil
- Navel orange
- Canned mandarin orange segments
- Vinaigrette dressing

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Blanch or steam **4 to 6 thinly sliced carrots** for 5 minutes. Drain and set aside. In a bowl, place **3 cloves garlic, minced, 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil or parsley, 1 tablespoon orange juice from & the zest of 1 navel orange and 1 can mandarin orange segments, drained.** Add the sliced carrots and **1/4 cup of your favourite vinaigrette dressing.** (This is delicious with a raspberry vinaigrette dressing.) Toss & chill 4 hours before serving.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR, CAROL BIELY

As the new chair of your community foundation, I am proud to be part of a growing team of trustees, committee members, and volunteers who together helped make 2006 an outstanding year.



Chair Carol Biely

Highlights of the year included:

- The Foundation's assets surpassed \$2,000,000.
- Donations totalled \$167,708, up 52% from 2005, and 8 new Named Funds were created.
- Our endowment fund earned a return of 6.6%, with an average five-year return of 9.4%.
- Grants totalling \$91,350 were distributed to 24 island organizations.
- Lizzy Rowe joined the Foundation team as part-time administrator.
- Administration expenses were less than 1% of assets.

The Foundation would not exist without those community members who entrust their donations to us. We thank them for their continued support and assure them that we will do our best to continue to practice careful stewardship and wise, balanced granting.

We would like to acknowledge, with respect and affection, the longtime leadership of Bob Rush who retired as a trustee this year. His contribution has been a priceless gift to island life. Bob continues as a member of the Grants Advisory Committee. We would also like to thank committee members Emily Hepburn, Lee Hurd, Mary Rose MacLachlan, LeeAnn Norgard, Claire Pickering, Bob Rush, Eileen Stubbe, Diane Thomas, Bob Wild, and Glenn Woodley, as well as volunteers Ruth and Louis Pepin.

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Roy, Mollie, and George Lamont Fund	31,028	E. A. (Effie) and W. M. (Will) Mouat Fund	9,695
Hubert and Margaret Robinson Fund	26,200	John and Bev Menzies Family Fund	9,425
Dr. Raymond Rush Family Fund	26,055	Dick and Chris Pattinson Fund	8,500
Bob and Jinny Rush Fund*	22,046	Bob and Bev Unger Fund	8,100
Helen Elizabeth Langford Memorial Fund	21,515	Al and Mary Pike Fund	7,763
Anonymous #5*	15,115	Anonymous #1	7,250
Bob and Sharon Brawn Fund	15,035	Dennis Seward Memorial Fund	6,630
Anonymous #2	14,100	Mort and Biz Stratton Fund	6,100
Hector Perry Fund	13,105	Drs. Albert and Peggy Mouat Johnston Fund	6,000
Dorothy Cutting Fund	13,100	Cordula Vogt Fund	5,750
Art Botham Memorial Fund	12,535	Allen and Joan McConnell Fund*	5,621
Manson Toynbee Fund	12,200	Dave Rayment Memorial Fund	5,480
Anonymous #3	12,100	Linda and Mike Overholt Fund*	5,300
Olivia D. Mouat Fund	11,461	Allison Sumner Memorial Fund	5,190
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Anonymous #4	11,000	Migs Edwards Fund	5,000
John and Claire Pickering Fund	11,000	Don and Betty McMahon Fund	5,000
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William David Dexter Memorial Fund	10,646	Anita Kahn Memorial Fund	5,000
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Ruth Crane Estate	35,463	Gordon Parsons Estate	5,000
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Donations, which are always welcome, can be mailed to the SSI Foundation, Box 244, Ganges PO, Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V9. If you would like any additional information about the Salt Spring Island Foundation, please phone Carol Biely at 537-8368 for general enquiries or Wendy Kaye at 537-8779 for information about donations, or email ssifoundation@saltspring.com.

2006 GRANT BENEFICIARIES AND THEIR PROJECTS

In 2006, thanks to all those who donated to the Foundation's community endowment fund, the Foundation was able to provide \$91,350 in grants towards the following projects:

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a matching grant to purchase a set of chimes for the Salt Spring Concert Band

CNIB

a donor-directed fund for the purchase of Talking Books to be placed in the Salt Spring Island Public Library

Core Inn Youth Project Society

funds to help create a safe outdoor area for such activities as ball hockey, basketball, and badminton

Gulf Island Marine Rescue Society

toward the cost of the steering mechanism required for Gulf Islands Marine Rescue's new vessel

Gulf Island Secondary School PAC

funds to assist with the development of the Howe Multi Court, a multi-purpose outdoor community court

Gulf Islands Seniors Residence Association (Meadowbrook)

toward the cost of paving Meadowbrook's pathways to provide a safer place for residents to walk, especially for those using walkers and wheelchairs

Island Stream and Salmon Enhancement Society

toward the Burgoyne Bay Wetland Restoration Project, which will provide a variety of habitat, and which will also be used for educational purposes

Islands Trust Fund

for costs related to upgrading the energy efficiency of the Ruby Alton House

Island Women Against Violence*

(formerly Gulf Islands Women's Resource Network) for the purchase of fire escape ladders for the women's shelter as well as start-up funds for a resource collection and for play equipment

Japanese Garden Society of SSI

funds to assist with a survey and site plan for the proposed Japanese garden to be located at Peace Park, across from ArtSpring

PARC

for four portable swim and therapy platforms for the new pool, to create a safe teaching environment for small children and provide adult seating for therapy and exercise sessions

Salt Spring Centre School

for the purchase of frames for the display of students' work in local business establishments and community exhibits

SSI Community Services Society*

funding for continuation of the two-year development plan for Volunteer Salt Spring, "a virtual volunteer centre"

SSI Community Services Society's Community Living Services Music Program

to provide people with intellectual challenges with a bi-weekly musical and theatre experience

SSI Community Services Society

toward the upgrading and further development of a safe playground area for Family Place

SSI Conservancy

for the purchase of electronic equipment to help with the Conservancy's mapping, monitoring, and educational activities

SSI Society for Community Education

funds to purchase updated software and to train volunteers to be able to continually update the Society's website

Salt Spring Elementary PAC

funds to purchase benches and a picnic table for the playground area

Salt Spring Island Public Library

for the purchase of two computers for the children's area of the library

Saltspring Skatepark Society

toward the cost of installing lighting and landscaping to improve the safety of skaters

Splash

for the purchase of twelve stackable benches for the deck of the new community pool

Stagecoach School of Performing Arts Dance Program

for mirrors, which are essential for dance instruction for students from 3 to 19 years

Tetra Society

for the purchase of equipment and supplies, and for the promotion of Tetra's services: linking people with physical challenges with caring volunteers who design and build assistive devices to ease their clients' day-to-day problems and improve their lifestyles

Tree Frog Daycare

funds to upgrade the infant deck play area, a requirement of the provincial daycare licensing agency

*Denotes a flow-through grant received from other foundations



The Foundation's Board of Trustees, from left to right, Bob Brawn, Judy Norget, Carol Biely (Chair), Wendy Kaye, Gladys Campbell, and Patrick Lee (Missing: Tom Toynbee)

Life Without Parole examines domestic violence

By STACY
CARDIGAN SMITH
Driftwood Staff

Salt Spring Island will host the Canadian premiere of *Life Without Parole*, a play that tells the story of five women jailed for killing their abusive partners.

The script is taken from 73 transcripts of conversations with women who were incarcerated in the California Institution for Women in Chino, California.

Transcripts were whittled down by playwright Warren Doody to form the voices of the play's five women.

"There's sort of a conglomeration of all the voices," said director Vicki Thompson. The play is sponsored by Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence (SWOVA).

Seattle-based Thompson has acted in the *Life Without Parole* before, but this is her first time in the director's seat.

As an actor, Thompson toured the production to the California Institution for Women where they performed for some of the women who were interviewed.

"It was awesome," she said. "It became an indescribable experience. It's not

a world that you can go into lightly."

Thompson was impressed with the acting talent available on-island.

"That's the scary part, it's going to appeal to a lot of people."

— Director Vicki Thompson.

"You have an incredible amount of talented women. It was a very hard decision to cast it with all the talent on Salt Spring."

The five talented women are joined by one talented man. The play focuses on one woman, Helen Broker, who is up for parole. The other four act as a Greek chorus. As the play was taken from so many transcripts, the women represent many different women and stories.

SWOVA representative and counsellor Randie Clark plays one of the Greek chorus members. Unlike many of the characters in the play, hers does not come from a background of abuse or vio-

lence, but rather stumbles into a violent relationship and is "completely stunned."

"It's like being plunged into a dark cave and having to find your way out," Clark said of her character.

Of playing the role, Clark added: "It's challenging, but it's an honour to bring these words [to life]. [The women are] in prison but their words are not."

Despite the subject matter, the play is not depressing, said both Thompson and Clark.

"I came away from my reading of it feeling a hell of a lot smarter," Clark said.

The play is raising funds for SWOVA's Respectful Relationships program, which teaches middle and high school students how to have mutually respectful relationships of all kinds.

To keep the program in School District 64 schools next year, \$129,000 is needed, said Clark.

Thanks to private donations, costs associated with the play have been covered, so all ticket sale proceeds go directly towards the program.

The play will also create an open floor for discussion, hopes Clark.



The cast of *Life Without Parole*

Photo by Derrick Lundy

"That's the scary part, it's going to appeal to a lot of people," Thompson said. "Everyone has got to understand that it is not just white trash low-lives that go there . . . It's everywhere. It's in every strata of our culture and we need to get over that assumption of it before we can start to heal the wounds."

A psychologist will be on-hand before, during and after the performance to speak with audience members, as will representatives from on-island resource groups dealing with domestic violence.

Elizabeth Leonard, the woman who completed the initial interviews, will also be in attendance.

Life Without Parole plays at Mahon Hall on Friday-Saturday, April 27-28 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 or \$12 for SWOVA members, and available at Salt Spring Books and the door.

The play is not suitable for children.

For more information, contact SWOVA at 537-1336.

Wisdom and knowledge can offset a date rape offender



Never leave your drink unattended and watch your drink as it is being poured

By CAROLYN FLAM
Special to the Driftwood

The recent death of 22-year-old UVIC student Zoe Read, who accidentally ingested GHB by drinking from a Gatorade bottle at a house party, has prompted much discussion about a potentially lethal and often misunderstood drug.

Officially called gamma-hydroxybutyrate, a naturally occurring four-carbon molecule, GHB was first synthesized in France in the late 1960s. It has since been used extensively, especially in Europe, in biomedical practices as a general anesthetic, in treatment for insomnia and narcolepsy, and as a muscle relaxant.

It is particularly dangerous when combined with other depressants, the most common of these being alcohol. When mixed with alcohol or other depressants, the combination acutely slows down the central nervous system. The result can be a critically lowered heart rate and blood pressure, unconsciousness, coma, respiratory slowdown or arrest and, in the worst case, brain damage, loss of memory and death.

In recent years, GHB has also been linked to sexual offences whereby it is slipped into a victim's (typically female) beverage and then used as a tool in sexual assault. The scenario can be something like this: the offender smoothly warms up to an acquaintance or date, buys them a drink, slips in

the odourless and tasteless drug, and waits but a short period of time before assisting them to a place where they can lie down, since they would likely be feeling woozy. If the offender has played his or her cards well, the victim would soon be defenceless to any kind of sexual advance or worse, completely unconscious.

"Seizures of GHB have increased by 400 per cent and Salt Spring has not been spared of this issue."

This is a serious criminal offence. It is both an offence to possess the drug and to administer the drug unknowingly to a person, even without the intention of sexual assault. If this ever happens to you, seek support from a trusted friend or counsellor, go to the hospital as soon as possible, and contact the RCMP. GHB can be easily detected in a urine sample but can leave the system as soon as 12 hours after ingestion, so time is of the essence. However, it is never too late to report an assault.

GHB has also been linked to other forms of assault. A Montreal couple was drugged last year at a concert hall and then later beaten and robbed.

Since 1999, seizures of GHB have

increased by 400 per cent and Salt Spring has not been spared of this issue. Although the Salt Spring RCMP do not report any cases of GHB related assaults, hospital spokesperson Jo Twaites indicates she holds a "strong suspicion that it is on the island to the extent that it is a concern" to her.

In my own position as a community-based youth drug and alcohol counsellor, I can confirm that it is on the island, and is it most certainly of concern to me.

It is critically important for partygoers of all ages, particularly women, to not be afraid of GHB but, moreover, to be armed with knowledge and wisdom regarding how to prevent having a drink spiked. The most obvious party rules are to never leave your drink unattended and to watch your drink as it is being poured. Another is to buy yourself a party cup with a tightly fitting lid, similar to a portable coffee mug, that you can bring with you to the bar or party and always have your drinks poured into. It is enough of a deterrent to an offender to have to unscrew a tightly fitting lid to administer the GHB. Even more significantly, having your own party cup indicates to the offender that you aren't going to be a victim.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, don't go out to parties and bars alone without having a friend to check in with regularly throughout the evening.

The writer is a community-based drug and alcohol counsellor with Salt Spring Island Community Services.

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More choices available to survivors of sexual assault

By ELIZABETH NOLAN
Driftwood Staff

Sexual assault is a devastating and confusing experience which leaves many women not knowing where to turn for help. Some women may not even be aware that they have experienced assault, but still suffer the mental and physical after-effects.

Island Women Against Violence is seeking to help women identify sexual assault and learn more about their choices with the launch of a new set of protocols and a new brochure and web site this week.

Island Women Against Violence (IWAV) is the non-profit society that provides services throughout the Southern Gulf Islands to women and children who have suffered from violence and abuse. The organization offers a range of support programs, including the Transition House, a 24-hour help line, counselling and outreach services, and the Transitions Thrift Store. It also provides support to those who have been sexual-

ly assaulted, a position they have filled by necessity.

Salt Spring women who have experienced sexual assault are likely to require help from any or all of three different sources: IWAV, Lady Minto Hospital and the police.

"We want women to know what support options they have available to them on Salt Spring." — IWAV director Nancy Boyce

Women in larger cities would have a sexual assault centre to turn to, but here IWAV has taken on that responsibility. Nancy Boyce, the director of IWAV for the past eight years, is excited by the new directive.

"We've now come to a place where we've developed the written protocols and we're all going to participate in training together on April

26," Boyce said. "I think the shared training event will be great because we'll all get the same training at the same time and we'll all get to know each other too."

Boyce credits RCMP Sgt. Danny Willis for mobilizing the new initiative to coordinate training and clarify roles between the three organizations, and hospital director Bill Relph for his participation. Willis started a similar initiative in his previous posting on the Sunshine Coast, and is very aware of the different reasons for the support parties to coordinate. One reason for establishing the protocols is the safety of the women and the community at large.

"We're working to try to educate the public and develop a procedure that will give better protection to the community," Willis said. "Often issues arise for the victims of sexual assault; they may get medical treatment, they may not want the police involved. Then they may decide to proceed [with an investigation] later, but the evidence has been lost."

It is extremely important for women who have been sexually assaulted to seek medical treatment, especially in light of STDs and HIV. Completing a sexual assault kit at the hospital as soon as possible also provides the evidence necessary to investigate the crime. However, the sergeant stresses that completing a kit does not mean the police will be told about it unless the victim wants that to occur, and the evidence can be used at any time up to one year. Offenders may be less likely to commit such crimes if they know the kits are regularly being taken and the evidence is out there to be used, Willis said.

Boyce is confident the written protocols and shared training will improve service to sexual assault survivors, and hopes the extra information will also be instructive. Like Willis, she emphasizes that the steps each woman actually takes is completely up to the individual.

"It's a traumatic experience and there can be lots of physical and emotional rami-

fications. We want women to know what support options they have available to them on Salt Spring, whether that be medical attention or counselling, or also reporting the incident to the police if they want to."

"We hope that people would choose to get medical attention," she continued. "They may or may not involve the police. They may want to have a support worker accompany them to the hospital. The important thing is they realize that they have choice in what type of help they get."

The new brochure and new web site are also intended to improve service, especially in terms of information about the different choices available to assault victims. Both will include examples of what sexual assault can be, and common feelings and reactions amongst survivors.

The brochure and web site will also outline support choices and how to act on them.

For victims of sexual assault, having a renewed



Nancy Boyce

partnership with clearly defined roles between the support teams should help make the recovery process as smooth as possible.

The additional information being put out into the community is another important step in the process.

The IWAV sexual assault brochure will be available in professional offices and other locations throughout the community. The web site, which features a security feature to hide internet use, will be at www.iwav.org.

The proclamation of Prevention of Violence Against Women Week

WHEREAS violence against women generates profound suffering, brutally entrenches inequality and constricts the spirit and creativity of women, and;

WHEREAS women must be free from violence to reach their own potential and to contribute fully to their family and their society, and;

WHEREAS the right to security of person is fundamental to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and;

WHEREAS the Government of the Province of British Columbia is committed to stopping the violence against women, and;

WHEREAS Our Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, has been pleased to direct by Order in Council in that behalf that a Proclamation be issued designating the fourth week of April, in perpetuity, as "Prevention of Violence Against Women Week" in British Columbia;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that henceforth, the fourth week of April, shall be known as Prevention of Violence Against Women Week in British Columbia.

This week was proclaimed in 1995.

Respectful Relationships at the forefront of abuse prevention in Gulf Islands schools

A school-based violence prevention program for youth — Respectful Relationships (R+R) — was created on Salt Spring Island by Salt Spring Women Opposed to Violence and Abuse (SWOVA), with co-operation from the Gulf Islands School District.

It has since been established in eight other B.C. school districts, was featured at a Toronto conference in 2005 and has earned or been nominated for four prestigious awards provincial, national and United Nations awards.

Here's what Minerva Research found in evaluating R+R:

"We administered the same survey in the same grades of the 'most similar' school district in B.C. . . . Gulf Islands students who had participated in the program tended to have more positive outcomes in every year, in every grade, and in both genders."

While R+R received government funding during its first six years, it has been fundraising to maintain itself in School District 64.

A Canadian Women's Foundation grant received at the beginning of the last school year has provided nearly half the program's funding for a three-year period, with many other donations helping for the 2006-07 year.

Anyone wanting to contribute to the program can send cheques to SWOVA/Respectful Relationships Program, 390 Upper Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 1R7.

For more information, call the R+R team at 537-1336.

IWAV draws up women's circle

A Women's Circle, to be facilitated by Women's Outreach Services, which is operated by Island Women Against Violence (IWAV), is in the works.

It will be a place where women can come together to focus on inner health and wellness in a mutually supportive environment.

The circle will run for several weeks and each week the session will focus on a theme to provide an informal structure for the group.

A talking circle, facilitated discussions, fun activities and snacks are all part of the

program.

Please call Amanda or Terri for more information or to register at 537-0717. The circle will start when there are sufficient registrations.

Participation in the women's circle is safe, free and confidential.

The Women's Circle is part of IWAV's Women's Outreach Services, which provides long-term support and planning assistance to women after they have completed a stay at the Salt Spring Transition House, or others who contact IWAV.

- No one 'deserves' to be hit.
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More letters

One part of solution

In reply to Moe Brondum's letter of April 11: The DARE program is only one part of the solution in keeping our children drug and alcohol free.

Community, teachers and parents all play a role in providing the developmental assets to help young people grow up healthy, caring and responsible. The basis of the program is teaching the children to learn the facts and use the DARE decision-making model so they can make good healthy decisions in their lives. This applies not just to issues of drugs and alcohol but also the many other issues youth today are confronted with.

The program deals with building confidence, being assertive and respectful, and

demonstrates the different peer pressures they will face. It gives them the tools needed to get out of or avoid bad situations. As you can see, the program is so much than "Just say no to drugs."

DARE may also be the only positive police influence some kids will have in their lives. As a DARE instructor you make a connection with the kids you teach that carries on long after the lessons are finished.

It is from the comments from the parents, the interest and hard work from the students and the dedication from the DARE officers that I measure the success of this program.

It should be noted also that a large percentage of the funding for DARE is through donations provided from the community.

It is far more cost effective to prevent the problems of drugs and alcohol abuse in youth than

it is to pay for the results of that abuse. That cost is always so much more than just dollars.

AUX. CONST. BRUCE DOW,
Salt Spring RCMP

Political makeover

How has it come to pass that the debate about Briony Penn's candidacy is centering around issues of gender and attire?

Regardless of her gender or her choice of attire, she is an excellent candidate with sound credentials and we would like a little discussion around the "political" issues, please.

Maybe Briony can pull off another "extreme makeover" and change politics from a "dirty business" into something more productive.

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The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee is now receiving applications from interested community members to fill currently vacant positions on the Advisory Planning Commission, the Advisory Design Panel, Advisory Environment Committee and Advisory Agriculture Committee. These appointments are for a 2-year term, and may be extended for a further term. All applicants must be Electors of the Local Trust Committee and residents of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Area.

Please note that 3 additional vacancies will occur in August 2007 for the Advisory Design Panel and names received in response to this notice will also be considered for those appointments.

	Role of the Advisory Committees	Vacancies
Advisory Planning Commission	To advise the Local Trust Committee on matters respecting community planning, land use, proposed bylaws and permit applications referred to the committee.	6
Advisory Design Panel	To evaluate the design of proposed development projects and advise the Local Trust Committee on the merits of the designs referred to the committee.	2
Advisory Environment Committee	To provide advice and education to the Local Trust Committee about environmental issues; to encourage and promote private stewardship, and to advise on land use matters and applications referred to the committee.	3
Advisory Agriculture Committee	To provide recommendations to the Local Trust Committee on matters referred to it by the Local Trust Committee concerning policy, regulation and planning approval applications relative to issues affecting agriculture and agricultural land use.	3

Further information regarding the roles and responsibilities of advisory committee members may be obtained by contacting the Ganges office of the Islands Trust, at 537-9144.

While a professional background or work experience in a related field would be an asset and is required for the Advisory Environment Committee, the Local Trust Committee is interested in hearing from all persons who have a broad understanding of the island community and a sincere interest in maintaining its unique character. Citizens interested in participating in any of these committees are invited to apply in writing before May 9, 2007. Applications must include a statement of interest, relevant experience, qualifications, and identification of which committee(s) you wish to be a member of, and should be addressed to:

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Salt Spring Driftwood: Current: New Lineup Movie Breakout for Apr 25, 2007 to May 1, 2007

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

- 6:30 PM
42 ★★★★★ High Sierra (1941, Crime Story) A tough ex-con with a soft heart is on the run after he tries to pull one last robbery. *Humphrey Bogart, Ida Lupino* (1h45)
- 7:15 PM
29 ★★ The Paint Job (1992, Comedy) A woman is torn between two lovers, her husband and his employee. *Bebe Neuwirth, Will Patton* (1h30)
- 8:00 PM
6 ★★★★★ Spider-Man 2 (2004, Action) Peter Parker struggles to balance his personal life and his superhero responsibilities. *Kirsten Dunst, Tobey Maguire* (2h30)
- 8:15 PM
42 ★★★★★ Angels With Dirty Faces (1938, Crime Story) A gangster and priest, childhood friends, fight over the future of a teenage gang. *James Cagney, Pat O'Brien* (1h45)
- 8:45 PM
29 ★★ El Mariachi (1992, Action) A guitar-toting stranger wanders into a Mexican town and is mistaken for a hit man. *Carlos Gallardo, Jaime DeHoyos* (1h30)
- 9:00 PM
12 Johnny Tootall (2005, Drama) Two brothers, on opposite sides of the law, face off against each other in a violent dispute. *Adam Beach, Miranda Frigon* (2h)
- 13 ★★★★★ Napoleon Dynamite (2004, Comedy)
- An alienated teenager decides to help his friend win the class presidency. *Jon Gries, Jon Heder* (2h)
- 10:00 PM
42 ★★★★★ The Petrified Forest (1936, Drama) An escaped gangster and his cohorts hold the patrons of an Arizona restaurant hostage. *Bette Davis, Humphrey Bogart* (1h30)
- 10:15 PM
29 ★ Disclosure (1994, Drama) After refusing his boss's advances, an executive is accused of sexual harassment. *Demi Moore, Michael Douglas* (2h15)
- 11:30 PM
42 ★★★★★ The Desperate Hours (1955, Mystery) A terrified family cooperates with the three convicts who invade their suburban home. *Fredric March, Humphrey Bogart* (2h)

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

- 6:30 PM
42 ★★ Men in White (1934, Drama) A doctor's fiancée becomes jealous of his nurse, forcing him to make a choice. *Clark Gable, Myrna Loy* (1h30)
- 7:00 PM
29 ★★ Murder at 1600 (1997, Suspense) A policeman and a secret agent team up to solve the murder of a White House worker. *Diane Lane, Wesley Snipes* (2h)
- 8:00 PM
42 ★★★★★ Beauty for Sale (1933, Romance) A girl in an exclusive salon finds herself drawn into affairs with her clients' husbands. *Alice Brady, Madge Evans* (1h30)
- 9:00 PM
12 ★★ Basic (2003, Action) Two military agents investigate the disappearance of a sergeant during training. *John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson* (2h)
- 29 ★★★★★ Suspect (1987, Mystery)
- A lawyer is assigned to defend a driver charged with murdering a congressional aide. *Cher, Dennis Quaid* (2h5)
- 9:30 PM
42 ★★★★★ Rasputin and the Empress (1932, Epic) A mysterious man gains control over the Russian royal family and threatens their reign. *Ethel Barrymore, John Barrymore* (2h15)
- 11:05 PM
29 ★★★★★ Basic Instinct (1992, Thriller) While investigating a murder, a San Francisco police officer falls for a suspect. *Michael Douglas, Sharon Stone* (2h10)
- 11:45 PM
42 ★★★★★ The Painted Veil (1934, Drama) An unfaithful wife eventually falls in love with her husband for the first time. *George Brent, Greta Garbo* (1h30)

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

- 7:00 PM
3 Complot au crépuscule (2004, Comédie)
 Un agent du FBI traque un maître-cambrioleur et sa séduisante complice dans les Bahamas. *Pierce Brosnan, Woody Harrelson* (2h)
- 29 ★★★★★ Savior (1998, Drama)
- During the fighting in Bosnia a hardened mercenary finds his own humanity when confronted. *Nastassja Kinski, Pascal Rollin* (1h45)
- 42 ★★★★★ Edge of Darkness (1943, War)
- The underground movement in Norway during the Nazi takeover of the Second World War. *Ann Sheridan, Errol Flynn* (2h30)
- 7:30 PM
39 ★★★★★ The Brainiacs.com (2000, Family)
 A boy becomes his father's boss at Tyler Toys in order to spend more time with him. *Dom DeLuise, Michael Angarano* (1h40)
- 8:00 PM
4 ★★★★★ Cry, The Beloved Country (1995, Drama)
 A minister travels to Johannesburg in 1946 to be with his son, who is accused of murder. *James Earl Jones, Richard Harris* (2h)
- 8:45 PM
29 ★★ Blues Brothers 2000 (1998, Comedy)
 A musician tries to put his old band back together with a new singer. *Dan Aykroyd, John Goodman* (2h15)

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9:00 PM
12 ★ Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo (1999, Comedy) A fish-tank cleaner finds himself working as a gigolo for women with special needs. Norm McDonald, Rob Schneider (2h)
13 ★ Half Past Dead (2002, Action) A man infiltrates a prison to find out where a death-row inmate has stashed a fortune. Ja Rule, Steven Seagal (2h)
9:10 PM
39 ★★ Houseguest (1994, Comedy) A man on the run from a bloodthirsty loan shark poses as a distinguished dentist. Phil Hartman, Sinbad (1h30)
9:30 PM
42 ★★ Johnny O'Clock (1947, Crime Story) A high-class, emotionally distant gambler gets into trouble with the law. Dick Powell, Evelyn Keyes (1h45)
10:00 PM
19 ★★ The Best Years of Our Lives (1946, Romance) Three American veterans try to readjust to civilian life after the Second World War. Fredric March, Myrna Loy (3h)
10:40 PM
39 Wendy Wu: Homecoming Warrior (2006, Action) An Asian-American girl must save the world and become homecoming queen. Brenda Song, Shin Koyamada (1h35)
11:00 PM
29 ★ Bounty Hunters (1996, Crime Story) Two competing bounty hunters race to catch a prize fugitive with a high price on his head. Lisa Howard, Michael Dudikoff (1h45)
11:15 PM
42 ★★ Faster, Pussycat! Kill! Kill! (1966, Erotica) Three go-go dancers embark on a crime spree and set their sights on an old man's money. Tura Stana, Haji (1h30)

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SATURDAY, APRIL 28
6:45 PM
29 ★★ Striptease (1995, Comedy) A Miami strip club dancer struggles to regain custody of her daughter from her ex-husband. Burt Reynolds, Demi Moore (2h)
7:00 PM
22 ★ The Beverly Hillbillies (1993, Comedy) When the Clampett family strikes oil in the Ozark swamps, they move to Beverly Hills. Dabney Coleman, Jim Varney (2h)
8:00 PM
42 ★★ Sword of Sherwood Forest (1960, Adventure) When the Sheriff plots to kill the archbishop, Robin and his men try to stop him. Peter Cushing, Richard Greene (1h30)
8:00 PM
13 ★ Pearl Harbor (2001, War) The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor unfolds while two friends battle for the same woman. Ben Affleck, Kate Beckinsale (3h)
8:30 PM
42 ★★ The Bandit of Sherwood Forest (1946, Adventure) The son of Robin Hood reunites the Merrie Men and follows in his father's footsteps. Cornel Wilde, Russell Hicks (1h30)
8:45 PM
29 ★★ Murder at 1600 (1997, Suspense) A policeman and a secret agent team up to solve the murder of a White House worker. Diane Lane, Wesley Snipes (1h50)
9:00 PM
6 ★★ Mary Higgins Clark's Haven't We Met Before (2002) A mental patient thinks he knew a law student, who is unaware of the horror she will face. Anthony Lemke, Nicole Sheridan (2h)
12 ★★ Welcome To Mooseport (2004, Comedy) A local man takes on a former U.S. president in a small town's mayoral race. Gene Hackman, Ray Romano (2h15)
13 ★★ Time Of The Wolf (2002, Drama) An orphan goes to live with relatives in a rural community and makes a dangerous friend. Steven Taylor, Jason Priestley (2h)
39 Cadet Kelly (2002, Comedy) A young girl's mother remarries the head of the George Washington Military Academy. Christy Carlson Romano, Hilary Duff (1h40)
10:00 PM
42 ★ Rogues of Sherwood Forest (1950, Adventure) When King John threatens to oppress the people, Robin Hood's son starts a rebel movement. George Macready, John Derek (1h30)
10:35 PM
29 ★★ Outbreak (1995, Suspense) Army medical researchers must contain a deadly virulent disease and locate its source. Dustin Hoffman, Rene Russo (2h25)
10:55 PM
39 ★★ The Associate (1996, Comedy) A female financial analyst creates a fictitious male partner in order to achieve success. Dianne Wiest, Whoopi Goldberg (1h50)
11:00 PM
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SUNDAY, APRIL 29
6:00 PM
22 ★★ The Wizard of Oz (1939, Musical) A tornado carries a young girl to a magical land where she encounters witches and wonders. Frank Morgan, Judy Garland (2h30)
7:00 PM
29 ★★ Deep Cover (1992, Action) A cop goes undercover to infiltrate a Latin American cocaine cartel and arrest the dealer. Jeff Goldblum, Laurence Fishburne (2h)
42 ★★ The Spanish Gardener (1956, Drama) An insecure man becomes jealous of his son's relationship with the gardener. Dirk Bogarde, Maureen Swanson (2h)
8:00 PM
2 ★★ An American Tail II: Fievel Goes West (1991, Animated) A smooth-talking cat convinces a family of mice to move out west. Voices of Dom DeLuise, John Cleese (2h)
9:00 PM
42 ★★ 10 Things I Hate About You (1999, Comedy) A young girl is forbidden from dating until her unhappy older sister gets a date. Heath Ledger, Julia Stiles (2h)
13 ★★ Along Came Polly (2004, Comedy) After his wife leaves him, a repressed man begins a romance with a free-spirited woman. Ben Stiller, Jennifer Aniston (2h)
29 ★★ Natural Born Killers (1994, Drama) Two savage lost souls embark on a merciless killing spree across America's Southwest. Juliette Lewis, Woody Harrelson (2h)
39 ★★ Jumping Ship (2001, Adventure) When two boys are forced to jump ship, they are left stranded on a desert island. Joey Lawrence, Matthew Lawrence (1h30)
42 ★★ The Patsy (1928, Romance) A pretty girl sets out to be the smart one in her family, and falls for her sister's fiancé. Marie Dressler, Marion Davies (1h30)
10:45 PM
39 ★★ Armageddon (1998, Adventure) A drill rigger and his crew embark on a mission to blow up an asteroid heading for Earth. Bruce Willis, Liv Tyler (2h30)
11:00 PM
29 ★★ Midnight Run (1988, Comedy) A bounty hunter is determined to bring a bail-jumper to New York, but so is the mob. Charles Grodin, Robert De Niro (2h10)

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MUSICAL CONNECTIONS: Islanders Maggie Ziegler and Phil Vernon, centre, learn songs from young musicians in the famous Kibera Slum, just outside Nairobi. Songs are part of the couple's May 5 multi-media presentation at The Gatehouse. Photo contributed

Kenya project will 'continue forward' with help from May 5 fundraiser

After spending three months volunteering in Kenya, islanders Phil Vernon and Maggie Ziegler are happy to share their experiences at a Saturday, May 5 fundraiser.

The multi-media presentation of stories, song and images will raise funds for a Nairobi, Kenya AIDS education project coordinated by a Nairobi-based self-help organization.

Called Tuendelee Mbele — or "we continue forward" in Swahili — it delivers human rights and labour education, and HIV/AIDS education and support to

workers in "export processing zone" textile factories.

"Our purpose is two-fold," said Ziegler. "One is to raise money for the specific project, but the other is to just provide some basic creative form and some basic stories about the county and to widen people's understanding of what is going on there."

The event takes place at The Gatehouse at Stowell Lake Farm on Reynolds Road at 2 p.m.

It will include songs written by Vernon, and some brought back from urban musicians in a slum outside

of Nairobi.

"We'll meet inspiring people, including rural HIV/AIDS educators, girls refusing circumcision, the founder of a home for abused AIDS orphans, union organizers, urban musicians, indigenous bee keepers and more," states press material.

One of the stories they will tell is about a project they evaluated in their volunteer role, and how an old man in the area told them, "The disease is moving away from our community."

As Ziegler said, "It's a real testimony to infection rates

going down and understanding more about how AIDS is transmitted, and changing their habits . . . it shows what's possible."

While Ziegler and Vernon didn't head to Kenya in connection with Salt Spring Organization for Life Improvement and Development (SOLID), Tuendelee Mbele project local fundraising will now fall under SOLID's umbrella.

Suggested donation for the May 5 event is \$15.

For more information about the project or how to help, call Ziegler at 653-9482.

Island Chamber Strings play variety of greats including Vivaldi, Bach, Corelli and Holst

Salt Spring's own string orchestra returns to Music and Munch on Wednesday, May 2.

Island Chamber Strings, under the musical direction of local violin teacher Carolyn Hatch, is a string ensemble currently consisting of 13 players. They will perform a selection of baroque and classical pieces, including Corelli's Concerto Grosso # 1.

Also on the program is the first movement of Vivaldi's A minor violin

concerto, featuring soloist Ryder Bergerud, the first movement of Mozart's well-known Eine Kleine Nachtmusik and a movement from Bach's double violin Concerto with Jean Knight and Hatch as soloists.

The group will also play a rousing movement from 20th-century composer Gustav Holst's St. Paul Suite.

Orchestra members are Hatch, Bergerud, Knight, Tom Burton, Sarah Lundy, Kaya Hunter, Carol Wright and Mark Toole, violin; Sally John

and Sonja Kornelsen, viola; Martin Thorn and Diana Dean, cello; Donna Vanderwekken, bass, and Linda Quinn, piano.

Island Chamber Strings first played at Music and Munch in the summer of 2006 and their second performance for the popular midday Concert series is much anticipated.

The free concert starts at 12:10 p.m. at All Saints By-the-Sea and is followed by a delicious optional lunch for \$5.50.

Islander's photo wins tulip festival contest

This year's Skagit Valley Tulip Festival poster features work of a Salt Spring artist.

The 24th-annual northwest Washington state festival runs from April 1-30, and island photographer Amy

Melious said it's an impressive sight and experience.

"It's really been quite something," she said. "It's a huge event and the tulip fields are beautiful — shocking. Fields of solid colour.

It's a beautiful landscape and I've really gotten to know the area." Art is also a big part of the festival, and Melious recommends the whole event. Melious learned about the poster competition a few

years ago and decided to enter her Pink Tulips photo, which can be seen at www.grainofsand.com.

She and her husband Larry also run the Melious Gallery on Bullock Creek Road.

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Where I Might Dream — Gillian McConnell

Salt Spring artists capture diverse Earth Day concerns

A glorious sunny afternoon was the perfect time to visit The Point Gallery's Land Marks exhibition, a show conceived of to celebrate Earth Day.

The alternative gallery space near Fulford elementary consists of a small barn and surrounding gardens, where one is met by its friendly curator and owner, Margaret Day. Works currently on exhibit by three Salt Spring artists unite themes of humanity and our place in nature and the world.

Two stone sculptures by Ron Crawford begin and end the show: a small tower topped with a roundish stone stands close to the barn entrance, while a taller obelisk shape stretches up further off in the grounds. Crawford's creations required the careful placement of many small stones and larger chunks in harmony and balance, and represent in part the relationship between human history and geological history.

Upstairs on the barn's second level, Gillian McConnell's acrylic paintings and miniature jewel box studies invite a meditation on our impact on the natural environment. The large canvases are expressive representations of tea trees in Noosa National Park, in McConnell's birthplace of Australia.

The copes of trees have a familiar, almost mystical allure. In style they are reminiscent of Emily Carr or the Group of Seven's broad contrast of light and dark.

Each painting also contains its own contrasts to the spiritual forest with side panels depicting highway signs and industrial markers, with abstract grey swirls connecting the two concepts. *Where I Might Dream* is the sole painting in the group to which the urban sprawl is devoted more space than nature is, depicting a huge grey scene and the scrawled graffiti "Luk."

By juxtaposing urban and natural scenes within each work, McConnell successfully invites the viewer to actively engage in the viewing process, while the lush quality of her brush work makes the paintings appealing and interesting.

An installation by Ian Thomas called *Grave Sites* takes up the floor and walls of the barn's ground level. The exhibition's centrepiece is the large, multi-panelled mapping of the forest floor in acrylic, oil pastel and varithane. The richness of

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detail and consistent interweaving of branches, leaves and soil could leave the viewer standing mesmerized for some time. The viewer might emerge from her reverie to notice a screen and shovel standing against a pillar, seemingly left behind.

The eye then travels upward to the wall at the head of the floor exhibit, where pale skeletons rest on a dark background as if just revealed by an archaeologist. Turning around, the viewer then faces a slightly more disturbing triptych, which seems to show corpses either engulfed in flames or in writhing soil.

Grave Sites refers to the entire installation, and weaves themes of mortality and the human condition into the questions of how we are part of and return to the earth.

If this work seems to impart a darker side to the Earth Day theme, it also grounds the show in the personal and the visceral. *Land Marks* runs until May 6. Watch for the signs on Beaver Point Road.

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Outstanding program and dancing make Ballet Jörgen shine bright

By **ANDREA RABINOVITCH**
Driftwood Staff

The crowd of dance enthusiasts' happy expressions and adulatory musings as they left ArtSpring last Wednesday night made statement to Salt Spring's readiness to accept a mixed repertoire of dance.

Ballet Jörgen's stellar program, with the common link of three Clifford E. Lee Choreographic Award winners' choreography, plus an accessible Ben Hatcher work proved that programming more challenging work is a sure thing.

The joy of watching trained dance artists with no weak links among them perform excellent choreography was not lost to the sold-out crowd. Not unlike toes tapping during a music concert, the kinesthetic response from the crowd in response to the bodies moving on stage was a sure sign of the dancers' commitment to their work.

Having performed their story ballets on Salt Spring Island twice before, Ballet Jörgen showed the broad range of their capabilities and invited us to watch some of the best work Canadian choreographers have to offer.

Two Dances for Jane was basically two solos created to Ashley MacIsaac's Celtic fiddle music. The woman, Aya Belsheim, dressed homely in a dress and red sweater, used Crystal Pite's idiosyncratic choreography to get the attention of the man, Alex Grant, who was used as a set piece rather than a dancer. Reminiscent of a Canadian kitchen-sink drama of the '50s, the contemporary spin on the woman working hard to get some attention resonated with me, though a third piece with some resolution would have completed the cycle nicely.

Rarely do I watch a piece of choreography and then want to watch it again immediately to figure out what the choreographer has created or to have the feeling of wonder at its invention and beauty.

Artistic director Bengt Jorgen's Petrushka included masterful group work performed beautifully by the 14 dancers.

Like a Balanchine ballet, Jorgen realized Stravinsky's difficult yet gorgeous music physically. With the dancers using different fronts rather than just addressing the fourth wall as front, and phrases of complementary movement that looked like a canon (the same notion of singing a row, row, row your boat round in music) but weren't, offered a wash of movement that sang. Extremely complex, the impression was of the entire space, including the floor and the air, being filled with bodies moving cohesively and using the exact nuance of the music.

Of special note was a trio of women who always stayed

attached but flowed through various configurations creating such harmony that you wanted to join them.

Robert Derosier, known for dramatic and lavish group dances that use inventive sets and costumes to describe his themes, created a pure movement piece that allowed the dancers to fly in a contemporary idiom.

There is a point in dance that goes beyond technique where the dancer is lost in the movement and an almost spiritual connection flows. When an audience gets to experience that, they are very lucky indeed.

On Wednesday, the talented company was "on" and performances by Preston McBain and Clea Iveson, while showing a natural inclination to the style, also danced with complete abandon. Tara Butler's articulate solos also shone.

Hatcher's The Beatles Go Baroque was a safe end to an outstanding program.

Island musicians join international world beat headliners at Beaver Pt.

Fat Planet World Music Promotions of Salt Spring kicks off its spring season with a unique blend of musical notes from around the world on Friday, April 27.

The show features live performances by Jef Stott and the Embarka Sound System from San Francisco, plus Makyo (from Tokyo) and local Salt Spring musicians Gordon Field and

Shai-k-Yerbooty. Doors open at Beaver Point Hall at 8 p.m., with music at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 at the door from 8 to 9 p.m., and are \$20 onwards.

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Spring Ahead

GALA AUCTION

Complimentary tickets are now available at Artspring box office for this lively gala auction benefit. You are invited to enjoy entertainment, finger food, and a complimentary glass of wine this Saturday evening, April 28 at 7:00 pm.

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Foot-tapping fun at Celtic fest

Organizers are promising a weekend of great people, great food and music galore when the 21st-annual Celtic Music Festival gets swinging in the Fulford Valley on May 4-6.

"People can expect a great variety of performers from far and wide," said Harry Warner, one of the organizers of the rotating-venue regional festival. "This is a wonderful opportunity to see some wonderful Celtic music, story telling and dance."

The festival begins with a Friday "jam and song circle" at 7 p.m. featuring as many as 60 artists from Salt

Spring, other Gulf Islands and the San Juans.

"That is always a really magical event," Warner said.

Both aspiring and aged Celtic musicians can hone their skills at festival workshops held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and between 2 and 4 p.m. More workshops are planned for Sunday morning.

Confirmed workshops include percussive back-up for fiddlers, ceilidh dancing, beginning fiddle, Irish fiddle, flute, Irish guitar back-up, penny whistle, Celtic knot drawing and intermediate Irish kerry polkas for fiddle. Luthier and finger-style

guitar player Fabrizio Alberico will offer some advice on how to evaluate, tune and maintain your own guitar.

A special Celtic-inspired dinner catered by Fiddlehead Catering begins Saturday at 5:30 p.m.

For those with more of an ear for music, the Saturday concert, beginning at 7:30 p.m., will include performances by Victoria's lively Roof Rabbit, Sunshine Coast fiddler Erynn Marshall, Fabrizio Alberico and Na Spòr-seich — a group of six Gaelic singers from Victoria and Hornby Island.

John Beaton will provide a poetry recital and Matt Hum-

mel, Phil Holder, Randy Vic and Dave Marshall will share some Irish tunes to close out the evening.

Tickets for the Saturday evening concert are available for \$12 at Acoustic Planet, Stuff and Nonsense, and at the door. Admission to all other events is by donation.

Workshops ideas are still being considered. Suggestions can be sent to Harry Warner at foine@saltspring.com or 653-4041.

People with room to spare for a travelling musician or two over the weekend is kindly asked to consider billeting an off-island performer.

Crystal Pite choreography highlighted at Nederlands Dans DVD showing

International Dance Day steps out on Salt Spring on Monday, April 30 with the showing of a Nederlands Dans Theatre DVD.

At ArtSpring beginning at 7:30 p.m., dance outreach worker Anna Haltrecht presents The Second Person, choreographed by Crystal Pite, who gave a workshop and performance on Salt Spring earlier this month.

"In the dance, Pite investigates how flexible the body is," said Haltrecht in a press release. "She uses the physical capacity of the dancers to the maximum. They lean backwards danger-

ously, spin like propellers or bend their bodies diagonally defying gravity. A multitude of improvisations imbedded in a nearly tangible form, where light and music intensify the atmosphere even more."

From 1988 until 2001, Crystal Pite was engaged as a dancer with Ballet British Columbia and Ballett Frankfurt.

Pite's choreographies include new works for Netherlands Dance Theatre, Ballett Frankfurt, Les Ballets Jazz de Montreal, Ballet British Columbia, the Alberta Ballet, Ballet Jorgen and

several independent dance artists. In 2001, Pite returned to Canada where she formed her own company, Kidd Pivot, and continues to choreograph and perform in her own work.

"This is an opportunity to join in the discussion of the creative process and interpreting dance after watching a wonderful work by one of Canada's top contemporary choreographers," said Haltrecht.

The event is sponsored by Made in B.C. Dance on Tour, The Dance Centre and ArtSpring.

Salt Spring Singers ring in springtime

By STACY CARDIGAN SMITH
 Driftwood Staff

It's spring: the days are getting longer, the weather is getting warmer and (some-what) drier, and moods are, for the most part, lifting.

While some Salt Springers are only now starting to hum a merry tune, the Salt Spring Singers have been singing all through the winter, and we're ready to show off all

our hard work at an upcoming concert.

Besame Mucho: Kissing, Drinking and Insect Songs features music from various time periods and worldly locations.

We try our hand at a traditional Russian folk song, a gypsy dance piece and another by Eric Whitacre, who, thanks to his eerie chord choices, is quickly becoming one of director

Mitch Howard's favourite composers.

The Singers will be joined by the Salt Spring Honour Choir, whose pieces include a selection from the rock opera Rent.

I joined the Salt Spring Singers in the fall. As a newcomer to the island, I was looking for a way to meet new people and integrate into the community. Granted, as a woman in my early 20s,

I chose a group slightly older than my own demographic. But the choir's fun attitude, friendliness and skill make me proud to call myself a Salt Spring Singer.

Check us out at one of our three shows at ArtSpring on May 4 and 5 at 8 p.m. or May 6 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors, \$8 for kids under 12, or \$2 for GVM youth-pass holders.

Auntie Kate and boys ready to rock the hall

One of Salt Spring's favourite hometown performers and her band are ready to heat up Meaden Hall on Saturday night.

"Auntie Kate hits the stage like a barely controlled force of nature, rocking and kicking out a powerful blues routine honed in the clubs of Western Canada," says press material.

"On stage, despite her small stature, she appears larger than life. Outfitted with dark glasses and an unabashed stage presence she takes command of her audiences with her powerful, hard-edged blues vocals."

Tom Bowler, long-time musical partner and guitarist, roots the Uncles of Funk with his uncluttered funky rhythm and searing blues licks.

He is the band's musical director, producer and production manager, but is perhaps becoming best known as the father of Salt Spring's own Lauren Bowler who is taking the world of musical theatre by storm.

Tommy Knowles is described as "an irrepressible bassist who is no stranger to the blues scene. He has played with such blues luminaries as Long John Baldry, Rita Charialli, Son Seals and a

Little Voodoo. He has been a stalwart of the Calgary blues scene and a long time Uncle of Funk."

Loren Etkin is "a drumming dynamo who has played with virtually everyone on the Vancouver blues circuit." He was also a member of Baldry's band and has played with the Uncles of Funk regularly for the last 10 years.

Opening act at the April 28 dance is Blue by Nature, which features, Dave Roland, Sue Newman, Laurent Boucher and Tom Bowler.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 29 11:00 PM
42 *** Anna Christie (1930) A Swedish girl attempts to keep her past from both her long-lost father and a sailor. Greta Garbo, Theo Shall (1h30)
3 Sonatine (1983, Drame psychologique) Les problèmes de deux adolescentes qui souffrent de l'indifférence du monde. Marcia Pilote, Pascale Bussières (1h40)
MONDAY, APRIL 30 7:00 PM
29 **** The Buddy Holly Story (1978, Biography) Prior to his tragic death, Buddy Holly wrote some of popular music's most indelible hits. Don Stroud, Gary Busey (2h)
42 **** The Black Stallion (1979, Family) A boy's adventure with a magnificent black stallion results in a close friendship. Kelly Reno, Mickey Rooney (2h)
9:00 PM
29 **** Twins (1988, Comedy) A scientific experiment produces identical twins, one strong and the other unscrupulous. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Danny DeVito (2h)
42 **** Flipper (1963, Family) When a fisherman's son nurses an injured dolphin back to health, the two become friends. Chuck Connors, Luke Halpin (1h45)
10:45 PM
42 **** The Yearling (1946, Drama) A lonely boy must make a difficult choice regarding the future of his pet deer. Jane Wyman, Gregory Peck (2h15)
11:00 PM
29 ** Houseguest (1992, Comedy) An architect meets a habitual liar, who poses as his wife and moves into his dream house. Goldie Hawn, Steve Martin (1h45)
TUESDAY, MAY 1 6:30 PM
42 **** The Men (1950, Drama) A paralyzed veteran who has difficulty adapting to his handicap is helped by his fiancée. Jack Webb, Marlon Brando (1h30)
7:00 PM
29 **** The Silence of the Lambs (1991, Thriller) An FBI recruit enlists the help of a psychotic genius to catch a killer on the loose. Jodie Foster, Sir Anthony Hopkins (2h)
8:00 PM
42 ** The Triumph of Love (2001, Comedy) An 18th century princess falls in love with the rightful heir to her homeland's throne. Ben Kingsley, Mira Sorvino (2h30)
9:00 PM
13 ** Solaris (2002, Sci-Fi) A troubled psychologist investigates a research station and experiences strange events. George Clooney, Natascha McElhone (2h)
29 ** The Professional (1994, Suspense) A professional hitman takes in a 12-year-old girl after her entire family is murdered. Natalie Portman, Jean Reno (2h)
9:30 PM
42 **** A Streetcar Named Desire (1951, Drama) A fading Southern belle tries to build a new life with her sister and her brutish husband. Marlon Brando, Vivien Leigh (2h15)
11:00 PM
29 **** Cape Fear (1991, Thriller) A hardened criminal threatens the family of the lawyer who deliberately put him in jail. Nick Nolte, Robert De Niro (2h10)
11:45 PM
42 **** Guys and Dolls (1955, Musical) A casino owner bets a gambler he cannot get a missionary girl to go on a date with him. Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons (2h45)

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<p>live entertainment</p> <p>Simply Organic. Pipe organ recital with Barry Valentine at All Saints. 10:10 a.m. Followed by muffin and coffee.</p> <p>Open Stage. With Stephanie Rhodes at Moby's. 9 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Free Yoga. Free flow yoga with Kristie Straarup at North End Fitness on Wednesdays. 6 a.m.</p> <p>Kundalini Yoga. Wednesdays at The Gatehouse. 5:15-6:45 p.m. Info: 537-9299.</p> <p>SSI Golf & Country Club. AGM at the clubhouse, 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>SSI Garden Club. Bowen Island gardener Kathy Leishman is guest speaker. Meaden Hall, 7 p.m.</p> <p>OCP Focus Group Open House. At ArtSpring, 5-9 p.m.</p>	<p>live entertainment</p> <p>One Night Stand. With Matt & Tom at Shipstones. 8 p.m.</p> <p>Narnia. Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts presents a magical evening for the whole family. ArtSpring. 7 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Modern-Jazz Dance Technique Class. At Cats Pajamas with Andrea Rabinovitch. 5:30-7 p.m.</p> <p>Jingui Golden Shield Qi Gong. Free intro & demo at 2172 Fulford Ganges Rd., 7 p.m.</p> <p>Transcendental Meditation. Group meditation. 7:30 p.m. Info: 537-9448.</p> <p>Ganges Policing Issues. Public meeting for business owners & concerned citizens. Harbour House. 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>live entertainment</p> <p>Jef Stolt and Makyo. Live world beat Beaver Pt. Hall. 8 p.m.</p> <p>Sunyata Dance. Lions Hall. 8 p.m.</p> <p>Bachman Hooper Johnson. Live at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.</p> <p>Narnia. Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts production. ArtSpring. 7 p.m.</p> <p>Life Without Parole. Canadian premiere of Warren Doody play. Presented by SWOVAS & SSI Community Theatre at Mahon Hall. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Greenwoods Gala Auction. Silent auction fundraiser begins at ArtSpring. 1-6 p.m.</p> <p>Nurturing the Creative Self. With Tom Burton, psychotherapist. Arbutus Therapy Centre. 7-9 p.m. Register: 537-4728.</p> <p>SSI Society for Community Education. AGM at ArtSpring, 7 p.m.</p> <p>Three Pt. Properties. Developer meets with neighbours re Bishops Walk development. Baptist Church. 5 p.m.</p> <p>Story Time at the Library. Fun Friday with Fabulous Fantasy for kids aged 4 to 7 and their parents. 1:30-2:15 p.m.</p>	<p>live entertainment</p> <p>House Party with DJ Matt J. Moby's. 9 p.m.</p> <p>Auntie Kate & the Uncles of Funk. Dance at Meaden Hall. Doors, 8 p.m.; music at 9.</p> <p>Narnia. Stagecoach School for the Performing Arts production. ArtSpring. 2 p.m.</p> <p>Life Without Parole. Canadian premiere of Warren Doody play. Presented by SWOVAS & SSI Community Theatre at Mahon Hall. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Jingui Golden Shield Qi Gong. Free intro & demo at 2172 Fulford Ganges Rd., 2 p.m.</p> <p>Greenwoods Gala Auction. Silent auction fundraiser continues at ArtSpring. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; with live auction and entertainment at 7 p.m.</p> <p>Scott Point Waterworks District. AGM at the RVYC pavilion. 7 p.m.</p> <p>Canadian Federation of University Women. Presentation by Pat Reichert titled Do You Know What You Are Eating? Lions Hall. 10 a.m.</p>	<p>live entertainment</p> <p>Sounds of Spring. Annual student recital with piano and strings. ArtSpring. 2 p.m.</p> <p>Stu Salmond Trio. Jazz at Salt Spring Inn. 6-9 p.m.</p> <p>Mary's Matinee. 8th annual scholarship fundraiser & gala showcase. Mahon Hall, 2 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Islands Trust Governance Proposal. Public meeting on governance change recommendations. GISS multi-purpose room. open house at 1 p.m.; presentation at 1:30.</p> <p>Peter Levitt Book Launch Mother Tongue Press event at The Point Gallery. 3-5 p.m. with reading at 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p>activities</p> <p>Osho Kundalini Moving Meditation. Drop-in. 5:30 p.m. Info: Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p>Eckhart Tolle Practising Presence Group. 7:30 p.m. Drop in. Info: Amrita, 537-2799.</p> <p>Life Drawing Group. One to 20 minute poses upstairs Core Inn, 1-3 p.m.</p> <p>Nederlands Dans Theatre DVD Event. International Dance Day marked with a DVD of choreography by Crystal Pite. ArtSpring. 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Kundalini Yoga. Monday classes at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7-8:30 p.m. Info: 537-9299.</p> <p>Salsa, Merengue, Rumba Dance Classes. Latin dance classes taught by Cuban instructor Tanja. Lions Hall Mondays. 7-9 p.m.</p> <p>Parks and Recreation Commission. Monthly public meeting. Portlock Park portable. 7 p.m.</p> <p>Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary. Lions Hall. 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>activities</p> <p>Mixed Volleyball. Fulford Elementary. 8 p.m.</p> <p>Swing Dance With Sue Newman. Tuesdays at Mahon Hall. Singles welcome. 7:30-9 p.m.</p> <p>May Day Dance. SS Centre School, 11 a.m.</p> <p>wed. may 2</p> <p>live entertainment</p> <p>Karaoke. With Greg Van Riel at Moby's. 9 p.m.</p> <p>other activities</p> <p>Zen Meditation. 210 Cedar Lane, 7-9 p.m. Info: 537-2831.</p> <p>Fulford & Ganges Villages Design Charrette. Interact with design teams at Farmers Institute. 4-6 p.m.</p> <p>Free Yoga. Free flow yoga with Kristie Straarup at North End Fitness on Wednesdays. 6 a.m. portable. 7 p.m.</p> <p>SSI Painters Guild Workshop. AGM and wind-up party. ArtSpring. 9 a.m. - noon. Info: 537-1528.</p>

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- Land Marks** — work by Ronald Crawford, Gillian McConnell and Ian Thomas — runs at **The Point Gallery** on South Ridge Road until May 6.
- J. Mitchell Gallery's 2007 Spring Show** is an extensive collection of new work by 30-plus artists. Runs through May 23.
- Steffich Fine Art** — the former Thunderbird Gallery — shows **A New Perspective** with work by 16 artists.
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Audience feasts on evening of great band 'concert-enders'

By GAIL SJUBERG
Driftwood Editor

Salt Spring Concert Band gave new meaning to a "best of" concert concept on the weekend, possibly transforming it into the "best ever."

A compilation of band and community members' voted-on pieces, the Festival of Favourites gave the 50-strong group and its director Dawn Hage a chance to revisit highlights from past concerts and polish a string of eight exciting works.

The concert opened with the upbeat I Feel Pretty from Bernstein's West Side Story, wending through a medley of familiar tunes from the musical, which was chosen by the community in favourites balloting. From there the momentum and emotion just kept on rising like a New York skyscraper under construction.

I remember the first time the band played Variations on a Korean Folk Song in pre-ArtSpring days (1999). At the time it seemed like such a difficult piece for the group, but eight years later the percussion-rich, mesmerizing like a waterfall composition by John Barnes Chance was delivered with confidence and ease.

The audience gave an enthusiastic cheer for the band and vocal combo of Dry Your Tears, Afrika, which saw a smiling, 11-member choir "created from the depths of the band," as

Hage said.

Then we were taken to a completely contrasting place with Lord of the Rings ("not the movie score," as Hage said must always be added when speaking of the Johan de Meij piece based on the Tolkein novels, not the movies). Lush, moody and complex, the audience was so bowled over at the end of it they couldn't stop clapping, much as if it was the final piece of the show.

Ralph Vaughn Williams' English Folk Suite was another natural pick, opening the second half, and the band seemed completely tight on this classic of concert band repertoire.

In the epic Russian Christmas music, hearing the band's new orchestral chimes, purchased with help from a Salt Spring Foundation grant, and played by Rosemary Wallbank, plus solos by alto sax players Aaron Poole and Tobin Eyles, and Donna Vanderwekken on stand-up bass, were highlights.

The only new-to-the band piece — The Chronicles of Narnia (from the movie) — fit perfectly into "blockbuster" status. I hope we can hear that one again.

The concert's final piece was the winner of an "audience favourite ballot" and therefore a "surprise," although it had seemingly leaked out via a few sources. Still, the gasp of delight when Hage announced

Pirates of the Caribbean was genuine and it proved an ideal concert-ender — even though, as Hage noted, any of the pieces could have sent audiences on their way after a full evening.

While the concert must have been an exhausting endeavour for those involved and especially director Hage, it was an overwhelming gift to us on the receiving end.

If any of the band's Festival of Favourites pieces are on the bill for their outdoor one-hour Canada Day concert, it's one that should not be missed.

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Islanders are invited to join Hedgerow Press and Salt Spring Books Friday for a Spring Fling of words and music to celebrate B.C. Book Week.

Salt Spring's Christine Smart will read from her poetry book "decked and dancing" while Alan Miceli accompanies her on his guitar. They will be followed by Rachel Wyatt reading from her book of short stories called *The Magician's Beautiful Assistant*.

Smart's first book of poems is intimate and sensual, often profound but always accessible, states Hedgerow Press. Don McKay says her poems "perform acts of clear-eyed unsentimental recollection and fierce longing and more with an earthly

music that is all their own."

"Miceli has delighted and inspired this island for years and it will be a special treat to hear his music with poetry," states a press release.

The Globe and Mail says of Rachel Wyatt's book, "Reading these stories is easy and satisfying. True to the nature of the genre, interest never flags, and the characters come to life quickly. This book is extremely good reading . . . it gives the reader the satisfaction of having read a work of genuine literary value."

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Fourteen color prints (each 48"x 64") making up the exhibition Eric Klemm has titled *Metamorphosis* were shown at FotoFest 2006, the 11th Biennial of Photography and Photo-related Art, Houston, Texas, and later in the year as the Canadian contribution to Photo&Foto, Photography Festival, Cesano Maderno/Milano, Italy.

Metamorphosis received a Honorable Mention at International Photography Awards 2006, and sponsored by a BRAVO Fact grant, the Vancouver filmmaker Jennifer Rashleigh produced a short titled *Metamorphosis* for BRAVO channel.

The subject of Eric's photographs; Bruce Smith's mysterious car collection - a work of art - that survived twenty five years in the rainforest of his property on Salt Spring Island, was recently destroyed by fallen trees in one of the heavy winter snowstorms.

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A matter of life and death

Winter Still by Peter Levitt,
Salt Spring Island: (m)Öthêr
Tōngué Press, 2007, 20 pp.

By TANYA LESTER
Driftwood Contributor

Winter Still by Peter Levitt consists of 10 narrative poems about that still place between breathing in and breathing out.

It is about that place where life joins death and turns once more into life. A deep and sacred theme is being addressed in this book. In the poem *Pale Shadow*, an eagle plunges into Cusheon Lake and kills a duck. The predator tries to rise with its kill but cannot:

The killer/and killed had become one body/and the weight wed them where they were.../Finally the eagle began to row;/he arched his great wings forward/into the lake and pulled against/death's enormous weight

Towards the poem's end, Levitt makes, what might seem to some, an unbelievable connection between two opposites:

I hold the image of the eagle's/kill no different from the first time I saw/my children bathed in the birthing/blood that helped to keep them/alive

Yet I know this to be true. When my friend James died, I had a dream. In it, he was covered with afterbirth. I felt elated by the knowledge that he lived again.

Another poem, called *A Translation in Winter*, states:

My wife dreamed the face of our son/two years before he finally came,/and it was four more before she looked/cross the room as he played . . . /"That's the face of the boy I saw in my dream..."

So, if death turns to life, why do we mourn those who are dead to us?

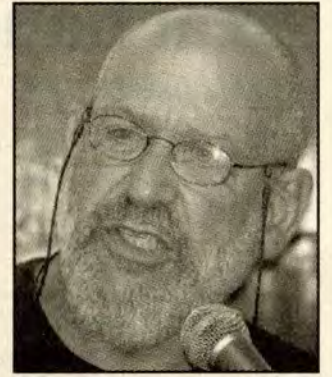
A Translation in *Winter* continues:

I reach for the phone because/the worried love in my mother's/face calls as it used to do. Or/my father's deep voice saying/the syllables of my name —/to hear it once more./A losing game now that they're gone.

We mourn those who are dead to us because they are dead to us. Life is hard but then we need to keep things in perspective. In *Within Within*, Levitt writes:

Bearing/sorrow in silence/ or holding our happiness/ for the world/are just plum twigs/bearing snow.

These are beautiful lines



Peter Levitt

whether you understand what they mean or not. Beautiful lines like Levitt describing walking through the forest:

tentative as a new lover, my hands/leading me branch by branch

Or, when he compares the eagle's wings flapping to a "sound like feathered oars."

If I say reading *Winter Still* is a matter of life and death, you might say I am just a melodramatic supporter of poetry. Or you could accuse me of being irreverent. Something I have learned from reading poetry.

In *Within Within*, Levitt writes:

So take it easy./Have a Cuban cigar .../and four kisses,/one on each cheek.

Levitt poems toasted at launch

After years of holding book launch events on Salt Spring Island, (m)Öthêr Tōngué Press hosts its final event with release of *Winter Still* by Peter Levitt.

Part of the Island Poets chapbook series, *Winter Still* is described as "a beautiful limited edition with letter-pressed cover, original linocut, hand-sewn and signed in an edition of 125."

The event runs at The Point Gallery, with its entrance on South Ridge Road on Sunday, April 29 from 3-5 p.m., with the reading at 3:30. Levitt is mostly known as a poet, but he has also published journalism, essays, fiction and translations from Chinese, Japanese and Spanish.

"Poet Robert Creeley has written that Peter's poetry 'sounds the honor of our common dance,'" notes press material.

In 1989, Levitt received the Lannan Foundation Literary Award in Poetry for works

that "represent exceptional literary achievement, foster imaginative critical thinking, and call attention to essential humanistic values in creative, skillful and provocative ways."

In addition to his eight books of poetry, he has published the non-fiction books *Fingerpainting on the Moon: Writing and Creativity as a Path to Freedom*, (Random House, 2003) and *A Flock of Fools: Ancient Buddhist Tales of Wisdom and Laughter*, co-authored by Kaz Tanahashi, (Grove Press, 2004). A longtime practitioner of Zen, he edited and wrote the Forewords for *The Heart of Understanding* by Thich Nhat Hanh, and *Jakusho Kwong's No Beginning, No End: The Intimate Heart of Zen*.

Levitt has just completed the manuscript for a new book of poems, *Within Within*, and is currently working on a book of what he calls "poetic fictions," *Le Petit Chapeau*.

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Helping hands invited to create Japan-bound peace banner

Salt Spring Islanders can help weave a banner of peace to be shared with the people of Hiroshima and around the world.

During the month of May, Terri Bibby invites everyone to help weave banners for peace, which will be taken by Bibby to Japan for an exhibition in Hiroshima at the Hiroshima Prefectural Art Museum called SAORI Peace Weave 2007. The exhibit will be on display from August 7-12 during their annual commemorative event.

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SAORI weaving is very simple and no experience in weaving is required, said Bibby, and people of all ages and abilities are invited to participate.

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Peace banner

Photo by Alan Bibby

ing of a 30-foot-long SAORI peace banner last year at the World Peace Forum in Vancouver, where over 100 people contributed. This Peace Banner is now on display at the Downtown Eastside Women's Centre in Vancouver.

Weaving takes place at the new Institute for Sustainability, Education and Action office in downtown Ganges (124 Lower Ganges Road) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays throughout May. Contact Bibby in order to participate.

Bibby's SAORI Salt Spring Studio is a certified SAORI Pioneer Coaching Site where she offers weaving workshops, classes and retreats. She can be reached at terri@saltspringweaving.com or 537-8813.

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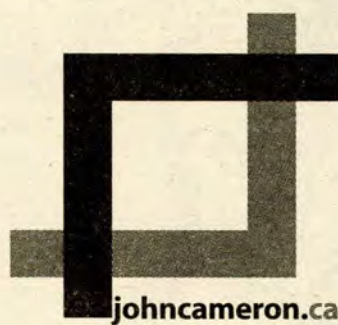
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There are still a (very) few spots left for the spring trip on May 23-26 to Lund on the upper Sunshine Coast. There will be rambles, walks and hikes and a trip to Savary Island. Accommodation will be in the historic Lund Hotel in Lund. Check the website or pick up a flyer at the Cobbler's and contact Simon Rook (537-5180).

On May 1 we have the Prevost Island trip for those who are confirmed. Bring water and a lunch and assemble at the water taxi deck at 8:45 a.m. for a prompt 9 a.m. departure. Return from Prevost Island will be at about 3 p.m.

Many of the trails are overgrown with salal, so please bring clippers with you on the next hike or walk. We will spend 15 minutes or so to clip in badly affected areas

In our website <http://salt-spring.gulfislands.com/lthompson/> you will find more details on our activities.

May schedule:

HIKERS

MAY 1: Trip to Prevost Island for confirmed par-

ticipants (see above). For those who were not booked on the boat trip, assemble at ArtSpring at 9:45 to choose your leader and hike.

MAY 8: Kees Visser will lead a new moderate hike on the south side of Mt. Maxwell. There will be a few off-trail sections. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9:45 or join at the Fulford-Ganges Road/ Dukes Road junction at 9:55.

MAY 15: Simon Rook will bring us off-island on a moderate hike to see the wildflowers on the Harewood Plains. Carpool from Portlock Park at 8:25 to catch the 9 a.m. Vesuvius ferry.

MAY 22: Zeke Blazeka leads a varied moderate hike with off-trail sections in the Isabella Point/Mountain Road area. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9:45 or join at Drummond Park at 10 a.m.

MAY 23-26: Spring trip to Lund for confirmed participants.

MAY 29: Andrea Rankin is leading a moderate hike into the "80 Acres Park" and surrounding Crown land. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9:45 or join at the Jasper Road/Stewart Road junction at 10 a.m.

WALKERS

MAY 1: Trip to Prevost Island for confirmed participants (see above). For those who are not booked on this trip, assemble at ArtSpring at 10 a.m. to choose your own leader and walk.

MAY 8: With the Nature

Group, Marc Johnson will lead a moss and fern walk which was postponed earlier in the year due to weather. North-enders should carpool from ArtSpring at 10 a.m. to meet south-enders and Marc at Drummond Park at 10:15. We will then proceed to the Mountain Road Ecological Reserve.

MAY 15: Anke Smeele has kindly offered once again to lead us on our annual jaunt to view the Victoria rhododendrons. It's an urban walk encompassing flowering, domestic and park gardens. Carpool from ArtSpring at 9 a.m. or from Fulford Inn at 9:15 to catch the 9:50 ferry.

MAY 22: Nancy Braithwaite will lead a moderate/easy walk and show us the wildflowers and conservation in the Andreas Vogt Nature Reserve. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m. or at the corner of Stewart Road/Jasper Road at 10:15.

MAY 23-26: Spring trip to Lund for confirmed participants.

MAY 29: Marg and Art Simons will repeat a popular moderate walk incorporating the Bakers' Iris garden. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m. or join at the Burgoyne Bay parking lot at 10:15.

RAMBLERS

Those rambles for whom a ramble is becoming increasingly more difficult, please meet also at Centennial at 10 a.m. every Tuesday to organize a social and/or a

short amble around town.

MAY 1: Trip to Prevost Island for confirmed participants (see above). Assemble at the water taxi dock at 8:45 a.m. For those who were not booked on the boat trip, Eleanor and Norah Lloyd will lead a walk along Churchill Road and we'll eat lunch on the beach. Carpool at Centennial by 10 a.m.

MAY 8: Kathy Darling will lead us in the Long Harbour area — carpool at Centennial by 10.

MAY 15: Carpool at Centennial at 10 a.m. to meet Norah and Eleanor at the Sunset Road entrance to Duck Creek by 10:15. Then we'll walk around Duck Creek!

MAY 22: Kay and John Mowbray will lead a gentle farm walk on private property at the south end, so carpool at Centennial at 10 a.m. or join at the Beaver Point/Little Red Schoolhouse by 10:20.

MAY 23-26: Spring trip to Lund for confirmed participants

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The Relay for Life committee feels it is important to get kids in the community involved this year and so are taking the action to them.

They will be in the schools at lunchtime the week of April 30-May 3 to boost participation for the event and hope kids will each bring a toonie to donate to the cause.

Relay committee members will also sell bracelets and luminaries and want to hype up the event by having the high school theatre improv team do a short skit on cancer, or have school musicians playing in the common area.

Students and staff who have either had cancer themselves or were close to someone who passed away from the disease will be asked to wear a small ribbon in honour of that person.

The committee believes this will open dialogue about the illness and allow kids to see that many people around them have persevered through extremely trying times.

Any funds raised would go to the school team participating in the Relay for Life, an overnight event at Portlock Park from June 22-23.

Last year's event, the first on Salt Spring, saw more than 260 people volunteer and participate by walking around the Portlock Park track.

Twenty-two teams raised \$76,000.

For more information about the 2007 Relay for Life, call coordinator Margo Greggains at 537-8325.



ALL DRESSED UP: And ready to attend the April 27-28 Greenwoods Gala Auction are, from left, Ellen Karpinski, Mafalda Hoogerdyk and David Bolton with a donated Japanese wedding kimono. The silent auction runs at ArtSpring from 1-6 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. The live auction and entertainment begins at 7 p.m. Saturday.

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LEG UP: GISS Scorpions player Jenny Akerman gets control of the ball in an 8-1 victory over the visiting Cougars in high school soccer action last week. Photo by John Cameron

Weekend youth soccer tournament signs 60 teams

It is tournament time again for the soccer youth of Salt Spring and this weekend will see Salt Spring's soccer fields covered with games from 9 in the morning until 7 at night.

That is eight fields with 121 games or 60 teams with approximately 900 players playing over those two days.

This is the biggest tournament yet for the Salt Spring Island Youth Soccer Association and will be our season wrap-up as well as a showcase of our youth soccer program. The tournament has attracted attention from teams in Toronto, Calgary, Kamloops as well as the U.S., but logistics of travel made it too difficult for these teams to come. But the spread of teams is still impressive — with Powell River, Comox, Nanaimo, Qualicum, Duncan, Victoria, Vancouver, West Van, Surrey, Coquitlam, Point Grey and Oliver, B.C. all being represented.

There will be some great match-ups in the groupings, with five teams at Boys and Girls U10, six at Boys U11, five at Girls U12, eight at Boys U13 (our Boys U14 will compete here), five in Girls U14, eight in Girls U15, six in Boys U16, seven in Girls U17 and five in Boys U18. In fact there are more than enough games to satisfy any soccer nut's tastes.

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field and two Super-8 fields), upper and lower Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) fields, middle school field, Salt Spring elementary (Super 8), as well as Fernwood.

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So book off your weekend and come to the fields and watch our youth wrap up another fine season of soccer.

Track & field athletes shine at first meet of the season

By JIM PROCTOR
Driftwood Contributor

A small but mighty contingent of Salt Spring track and field stars made their way to Sidney on the weekend to compete in the first of the Vancouver Island series track meets.

Strong efforts and gritty performances were turned in by our athletes, including some who had never participated in meets before.

Grace Morgan led the way with four first-place performances and three personal

bests: 100m, 13.1 seconds; 200m, 27.3 sec.; 400m, 66.03 sec.; and 100m hurdles, 14.0 sec.

Eryn Gix did extremely well with three first-place finishes: 100m, 14.0 sec.; 200m, 29.1 sec.; long jump, 3.53m.

Track novice Nicole McMahon performed very well: 100m, sixth in 14.7 sec.; 200m, second in 30.1 sec.; 400m, fourth in 67.6 sec.; 800m, fourth in 2:40.1; shot put, fifth at 6.56m.

First-timer Tilai Ellis-

Stairs put in a strong showing: 100m, seventh in 16.0 sec.; 200m, 33.3 sec.; 400m, sixth in 1:13.6 sec.; 800m, second in 2:41.2. Tilai wasn't able to complete the long jump competition due to participation in the 800m race.

Rookie Kevan Brown was a strong challenger in each of his races: 100m, fourth in 13.1 sec.; 400m, second in 60.4 sec.; 1500m, third in 4:57.4 sec.

The club's next meet is in Comox on May 5.

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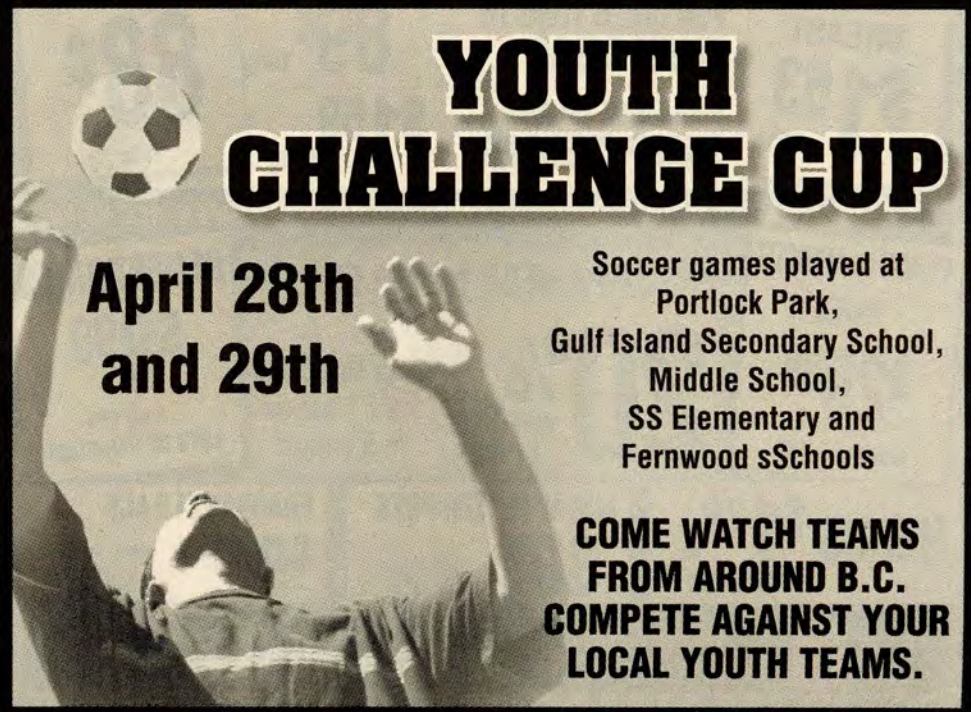
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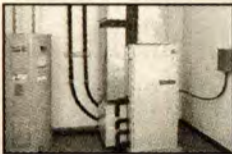


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Slayers savour decisive win

By **BILL BARRETT**
Driftwood Contributor

Playing as a team produced results for the Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) Slayers last week as they shut out the EJ Dunn Middle School Sea Hawks 40-0.

At first the score may appear one-sided, but the fact is we played "our game." We executed our offensive plays correctly, completed our assigned blocks and our running backs bolted up-field gaining first downs time and again.

Defensively a solid tackling effort was put forth by all players, which in turn limited the Sea Hawks' offensive line to hard-fought first downs or turnovers.

Quarterback Zack Corley,

despite being hobbled by a previous pulled leg muscle, confidently led his offensive line calling out audible plays when he "keyed" to the different Sea Hawks' defensive formations.

Well-executed blocking by offensive guards Luke Stevenson and Mason Raposo allowed running back Eric Pultke to lead the Slayers up the field with 10 carries for an awesome 257 yards and one TD.

Fullback Kevin Abbott, with 18 carries for 150 yards, was then able to gain first downs the hard way, and ran in four touchdowns and one convert. Novice tight-end, Aaron Hoffman, ran our "Sam-reverse" plays with five carries for 33 yards and one convert score.

Stevenson also notched a TD as he subbed in for Pultke. One of many notable blocks came from Raposo when, while executing a "full AO" play, he "popped" a rushing Sea Hawks' line-backer, which allowed Pultke to break up field for a 68-yard run.

On defence, Pultke led the team with nine tackles followed by Abbott with seven, and six each for Raposo, Torin McIvor and Connor Vine.

Ben Beaver, Gordy Fraser, Aaron Hoffman, Derek Oswald, Liam Murray and Stevenson each notched three tackles apiece.

Team members Kynan Price, Kaylen Chlopan, Kayla Pultke, Ethan Frigon and Cameron Balogh played

with passion, making their blocks and contributing to the victory.

Defensive-end Vine, happily nick-named "the Dancing Bear," had his best game ever as he created mayhem in the Hawks backfield. Vine was seen grinning ear to ear after every play.

"Warrior of the Game" goes to Eric Pultke for his outstanding performance both on offence and defence.

The Slayers are jubilant with their efforts and confidently look forward to their last "spring season" game on Friday, April 27 on the SIMS field at 2:30 p.m. against AW Neill Middle School from Port Alberni.

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Golfers brave chilly April to get back to their game

By **MARCIA HOGAN**
Driftwood Contributor

The nine-hole, business and Tuesday morning ladies are back in full swing! Many are flaunting the results of their recent course at the John Jacobs School of Golf in Phoenix.

Opening day at the Salt Spring Island Golf and Country Club on April 10 saw 38 golfers enjoying a nine-hole scramble in the marvellous sunshine. This was followed by a luncheon, where we were joined by several of our lifetime members.

The winning team, with a score of 27.25, included Anne MacAulay, Femmy Schuurmans, Ann McLeod and Chris Locke. Only a quarter point behind was the team of Lynda Joyce, Denise Heaton, April Wright and Karen Davies.

April 17 was the first day of league play for the 18-hole ladies group. Our 11 most enthusiastic players challenged the spring conditions on the course. The one who was celebrating her 77th birthday walked the course and carried her clubs. Winter rules were still in effect and we had some great stories about plugged balls, mud splats and high scores. Since we can still "lift, clean and place" and cannot post our scores, we played another scramble.

Posting a score of 69 was the winning team

of Dora Reynolds, Darlene Wellington, Joyce and Schuurmans. A full five shots behind were Alice Richards, Joanna Barrett and Wright. Barrett won the putt pot with only 26 putts. The KP went to Grace Murchie, the only player to actually land on the green on hole #2.

The team of Melanie Iverson, Linda Woodley, Richards and Joyce will represent Salt Spring at the Olympic View Field Day. We wish them well.

The club now has a great website at www.saltspringgolf.com where people can access the fixture cards. With great anticipation, we also look forward to the first posting of our draws on the website. Please go to 18 Hole Ladies/April 24. On the agenda for May 1 is a discussion and vote on our club competitions. President Joanna Barrett is hoping for a large turnout.

Don't forget our Monday night golf for those who want a relaxing nine holes at the end of the day. You can book ahead or just drop in, play the planned game or work on your own game, stay for dinner or carry on with your day. In this group, it is golfer's choice. If you are a newcomer, leave your name at the pro shop and a member of the executive will help you get started.

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Pony club riders chalk up awards

Salt Spring Pony Club teams finished first and second in the annual regional Prince Philip Games (PPG) event at Arbutus Meadows Equestrian Centre on Saturday.

The C-team, consisting of Kaya Hunter on Lady, Becky Mason on Roger, Nima McDuff on Dutchess, and Hannah James and Sarah Rowse on CC Bean, earned first place.

In second place in the Masters division was the Salt Spring club of Sam Charlton on CC Bean and Roger, Sonja Kornelsen on Lady, Kaitlin Fraser on Ginger, Karen Slakov on Mocha and Sierra Boudreau on CC Bean.

Teams were required to participate in nine games, explained C-team member Hunter in a report on the event.

"Examples of the games are 'The Canadian Race,' where each rider is required to ride a designated distance carrying a hockey stick and then, while staying

on their mount, hit a tennis ball through a goal using the hockey stick before returning to pass the stick to another team member. In '5 Flag,' the rider starts with a flag and rides to the end of the ring, places the flag in a bucket and on the return trip picks up another flag to pass off to the next teammate."

Salt Spring Pony Club parents filled most of the volunteer positions that made the games possible.

"It was really fun," said Kaya Hunter. "These games help to strengthen riding skills and the horses have to hone their skills too. It is fun to have the chance to participate with other riders who are at different levels. It was a great event — I'm already looking forward to next year!"

The girls attribute their success to the excellent coaching of sisters Holly Slakov and Wendy Charlton, who grew up as Pony Club members themselves and competed in PPG as young riders.

Equestrians reach for great heights

A group of Salt Spring equestrians reined in a solid performance by finishing fourth out of 12 teams participating in the Queen Margaret's School Challenge on April 13 and 14.

"They just did amazingly well," said Wendy Charlton, the team's head coach. "I was a little surprised because we don't have all the fancy facilities."

The two-day challenge featured some of the country's strongest horse riders competing in dressage and jumping events. In addition to a strong team performance, Sierra Boudreau, Kaitlin Fraser and Kaya Hunter all recorded overwhelming personal results.

Hunter, competing in the novice category, brought home a gold and two silvers, while Fraser and Boudreau each picked up a bronze. The team finished 2.5 points out of the medals.

Salt Spring riders, many of whom are introduced to the sport via the island's pony club, are often at a disadvantage because Salt Spring has fewer training facilities and programs than exist on Vancouver Island and in the Lower Mainland, Charlton said. In addition to the group's success, Gulf Islands Secondary vice principal Judy Raddysh said the students' initiative to organize the event is an added source of pride.

"They presented all the information we needed to make it happen, from registration to transportation," Raddysh said.

FALL FAIR FOCUS

By Sandy Barclay

Basketry, Spinning and Weaving

The spinners and weavers enjoy getting everyone involved at the Fall Fair! Salt Spring Island spinners and weavers are a very busy and inventive group. It will be very exciting to see what will be displayed at this year's Fall Fair held September 15-16 at the Farmers Institute!

Did you know basketry is the oldest of crafts? It came before weaving and pot making. Baskets were a way for primitive humans to transport, prepare and cook their food. This year's fair theme is "KIDS, CRITTERS AND CROPS"! Why not try this ancient craft and make a basket for carrying fruit, eggs, bread or other food supplies. Check the library for books on basket making or take a class. Kids, your basket weaving is always special. So time to get busy! We are looking for many many baskets and a wonderful display this year.

See you at the fair!



Motocrosser out in front

A young Salt Spring Island resident left a lasting mark on the Vancouver Island motocross circuit after a first-place finish last Sunday.

"I am very happy with the way I rode," said Deva Middleton, a Grade 9 student at Gulf Islands Secondary. "It was tough, but I got the job done. Patience and determination helped me a lot."

Middleton, 14, was among 23 riders racing in the 2007 Island Spring Series' Supermini class held in Port Alberni. The victory comes only several months after he began training with his father and brother.

The event was the second of a seven-race spring series. Middleton said he is looking forward to the series' next race on May 6 in Nanaimo.

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5 BIRTHS

PART OF the baby boom? Call Welcome Wagon for a personal Baby Visit. Gifts & greetings from local businesses and a warm welcome for baby. Andrea 537-8464.

Stowel Lake Farm welcomes two new farm boys!



Jennifer & David welcomed Alexander Phoenix Lloyd-Karr on February 21, 2007. He weighed 7 lbs 3 oz and is thriving!

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6 DEATHS

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10 CELEBRATIONS



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20 COMING EVENTS

DON'T FORGET THE GRILL for all Canucks Playoff games. www.falconsheadgrill.com. 537-1760.

VENUE CHANGE MODERN - JAZZ TECHNIQUE CLASS
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YOGA WORKSHOP: with physiotherapist Brett Wearne. See www.spacetoremember.com for details. June 22 - 24. RMT's will receive 14 CEC's.

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

20 COMING EVENTS

SOUNDS OF SPRING offer listener's delight. Annual spring student performance on piano, string, winds. 2 pm, Sunday, April 29. ArtSpring. 537-5131.

GAIN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SKILLS. Take a Red Cross Emergency First Aid/ Marine First Aid class. Now booking for May 27. Call Adam 537-9129.

DANCE TO Sunyata! Friday, April 27, Lion's Hall, 8 pm \$10 - 12 at the door. Refreshments. All ages.

SALT SPRING SINGERS BEE THERE for kissing, drinking and insect songs! Besame Mucho! Salt Spring Singers concert at ArtSpring, May 4-6. 537-2102.

LEARN TO ROW! 5 - 7 PM, Monday, May 14 - Friday, May 18. \$100. Call Susan at 537-4987.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY alumni, students and parents are invited to a gathering at the Harbour House Hotel Friday, April 27, 5-7pm. Please RSVP to 1-800-267-7837 or adv.queensu.ca/saltspringreception by April 26.

CHEF ASHLIE'S cooking classes! New ocean view location, Alder Creek Organic Farm. Tues. evenings, May 8 start. Student menu collaboration, \$160. (1/2 the price of city classes). 653-4988.

FILLING UP Fast! A few spots left for Shakespeare 4-day intensive workshop. Pick up brochure in Graffiti box at SS Books.

MAY DAY Celebration at The Centre School, Tuesday, May 1, 11 am. Come join us for Maypole dancing! 335B Blackburn Rd. 537-9130.

ARTS AND CULTURE WEEK is here! Get out and enjoy a gallery walk, performance or exhibition in your school or community. www.bcartsweek.ca.

ROMBS COUNTRY & BLUEGRASS JAMBOREE, June 28 - July 1, Fairview, Alberta. Large camping area, workshops, fireworks, Canada Day celebrations; www.fairviewfestival.com. Advance tickets on sale now. 780-835-3596.

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20 COMING EVENTS

INFORMATION MEETING
You are invited to attend an information meeting to learn more about a density transfer proposal in the Northview Place / Suneagle Drive area that is currently being reviewed by the Islands Trust.
The applicant has proposed the use of the density transfer provisions of the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan to facilitate the transfer of 3 residential densities (for a total development potential of 4 residential lots) from Province of British Columbia lands at Burgoyne Bay to the subject property approximately 18 acres in size located on Northview Place. The proposal also includes a parkland dedication.
The applicant and Trust Staff will be available to explain the proposal and answer questions.
Residents of Northview Place / Suneagle Drive are encouraged to attend.
The information meeting will be held at:
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26 LEGAL

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29 LOST AND FOUND

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GLASSES FOUND Sunday, April 22, Channel Ridge Park. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

FOUND BIBLE, near Fulford Ganges Road, can be picked up at the Driftwood office, call 537-9933.

32 MEETINGS

SALT SPRING SINGERS A TOAST To Spring! Kissing, drinking and insect songs. Besame Mucho! Salt Spring Singers concert at ArtSpring, May 4-6. 537-2102.

34 NOTICES

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SINGLES CLUB! INTERESTED IN a singles club on Salt Spring? Rotation of meeting place, dances, marathon, movie nights. Organizing board of members for brainstorming, call if interested 604-802-6585.

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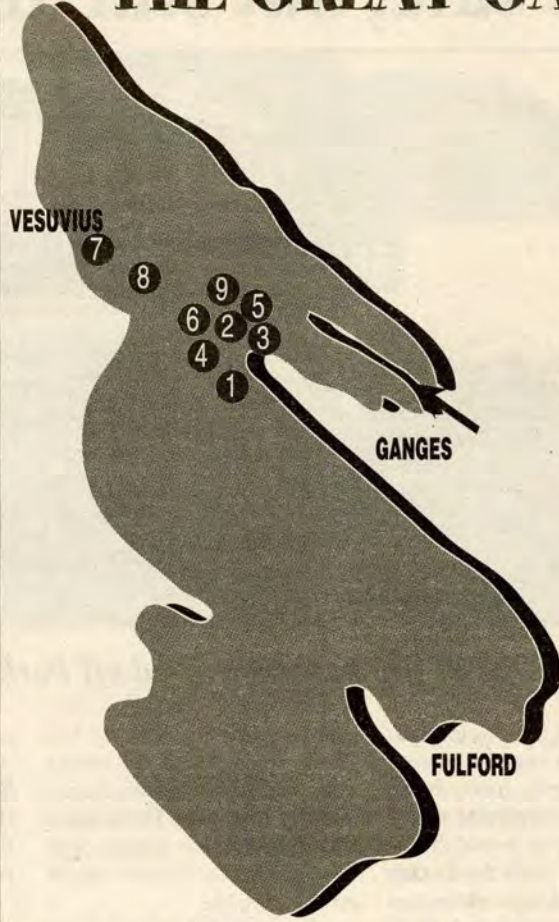
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This Week's Horoscope
by Michael O'Connor

Tip of the week:
Taurus time is oh so sweet in our part of the world. True to the sign, this is the season when the trees and flowers truly enter their firm foundation stage. Aries starts the process, Taurus consolidates it, and Gemini will tend to the details and bring the spring season process to completion. In an increasingly stressful, fast-paced world like ours, isn't it refreshing to be able to count on the natural rhythms of the seasons! If we keep neglecting and negatively tampering with nature, however, we could disrupt this cycle. Of course, nature as a whole is in charge and always will be. Since we are extensions of nature, her defeat is our own. The worldview that it is our task, right, and destiny to conquer nature and divest her of her secrets and deplete her of her resources is changing as more and more concerned people and groups raise their voices in protest against the short-term thinking of the marketplace and its governmental, political allies. Fortunately, the foundation of this worldview is eroding steadily. It may take at least a couple of generations to redirect the mass momentum to a more realistic and respectable pace and attitude regarding the face-off between personal profit and collective welfare. Do we have that much time? Creating a sustainable global community is the Aquarian Age dream and challenge. Let us plant our seeds and invest our hearts and minds towards this vision and get back in tune with the plan!

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
The ground is fertile and you are planting seeds. You are awakening to new aspects of yourself, hidden up to now. There is much more stored up in our subconscious mind than there is in our conscious. You want to take risks yet may feel yet a bit insecure. This may be sourced to retrograde Jupiter. You have to deal with anyway so feel the fear yet proceed. Like a brave warrior confronting the enemy. In this case the enemy may well be your own negative imaginings, the offspring of fear. Affirm, "I Am, I can, there is only now and it is time to advance!" This means check things out, plant seeds where necessary and follow through all to build upon a more solid foundation of power.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 21)
Your focus is now sharper than it was last week. Things are clearer. The answer was down the road after all. Did you actually fret a bit? Sacrifices of some kind may be lingering. Fortunately, you can use your charisma. That is that aspect of you that says, "I am here and I like myself"... even if I do not exactly know where I am headed. Affirm: I have choices, I have many talents, and walls are coming down if they block me! You are a bull, right? Slow, sure and sensual. On the other hand, you could set clearer intentions, outline requests from life and set goal for yourself. Make two columns to differentiate which is which. This is called backing up your magic with action.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)
Working behind the scenes can mean hanging around the house and get things done. Where else do you need to be when the weather is so fine but in the garden? Or course, you could go boating or golfing or something unexpected to take you away from the tic-toc of the clock. One way to activate your imagination is to give your mind a break from too much factual thinking. This is a time to dream and breathe in the spring air and feel the warm sun. Love experienced for even a few moments lingers on long afterward; love the changing season...! Sometimes it is shine time and at others we need leisure time in the sunshine to recharge. If you want to get things done, take your time.

Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22)
Your creative power is rising like the sap. Nice weather is inspiring, simple as that. The bull in you is charging and you can feel the power of your mind. It may be chasing butterflies along the way coloring your social scene. You are eager to pursue a variety of interests. You may feel inventive. You love everyone and who is next! Yet, you have a list of things to do as well. You are trying to stay open to the flow as much as you want to direct it. This allows for serendipity which makes tending to duties and achieving goals that much more fun...in the sun. Let your imagination play an active role and let it lead you down the garden path.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 23)
Your ambitions are running strong now. "...Places to go and people to see", is not just a cliché. You are excited about drawing upon your many creative ideas. Be responsible to your goals and take the lead and leave others to take theirs. This means have no expectations. A willingness to see blind spots is ideal. This means going through your to do list and doing all the things that you really 'should'. Wanting and being open to change and progress is not enough, you have to make it happen. This is called co-creation. Favours and earned rewards are granted now. Ask! Choice is at play but some things are a given, just do them. Nurture your dreams with

realistic actions.
Virgo (Aug 24 - Sep 22)
Bringing more culture to your life is the call now. Perhaps you want to know more about what is going on, join a group, attend a meeting or a potluck or a church and/or (maybe you have a Gemini rising...) a museum. Perhaps you simply want to cultivate your garden, with Taurus at the helm. Gathering information and other tools that give you more insight and power is important now. You want to see the forests and the trees in equal measure. Humanitarians, rebels, individualists, Aquarians are getting a lot of your attention these days. Can you feel and hear the calling? The trumpets of angels are summoning the troops. Let go of who you were and aim for who you are becoming.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)
Financial interests, concerns and/or responsibilities are a main focus now. An investment of time and energy to gain knowledge is part of the plot. Your efforts are directed to realize inspiring new ideals. How would you ideally like things to be? What can you do to make them be that way without force or a need to control others? Engage with full faith backed by a vision of what you want and need as well as a healthy measure of patience. Everything in its due time; why get frustrated and flustered when only you will suffer for it? At best you feel expansive and proactive and at worst you are spread too thin and reactive. Enjoy the journey.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)
Others are approaching you with some provocative proposals. You may not be sure what to think or believe. Are they genuine, is it true? The itch wants to be scratched but you are worried that they may be just leading you on. You want to feel sure, but does life ever offer certainties? Perhaps sometimes it does. The mystery of the game is a big part of the fun. Yet, the stakes are high and you want more reliable leads. Part of the secret is to be more convincing of your own commitment. Is there something else you can learn about who you are and what you can do? Use your imagination to visualize yourself following through on solid ground.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)
Work and health often share a close relationship. You need to be healthy to do good work and good work makes a person healthy. Making healthy returns is another angle on it. Getting all three means having all your arrows hit their target. This takes time, focus and practice to achieve. This is good time to gather new skills and leads. This may well include contacting key people like teachers and employers and others who have information you want and need. Put your best foot forward, get a haircut or wear a suit or something that makes you feel extra confident. In other words play the game with some humility, reaching out to others to make connections.

Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)
You may feel extra creative and determined these days. This implies the urge and confidence required to make investments. Is your time, money, focus or all of the above that you need to activate. Intend to keep an open mind about the flow. Your willingness to give to situations with intentions to bring certain projects to completion will work best. Working steady means one project at a time to completion, at least as far as it can be finished. Fortunately, your energy reserves are running high. You would probably like to be spending more time doing nothing but you simply can't for the sake of success. Take in at least some quality spring time sunshine for inspiration.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)
Connecting to your core could find you tending to things close to home. Home, core, inner authority, roots, gut instincts, they all share a common source. You are actively making changes in your commitment to making specific improvements in your life. This includes nurturing your nature, assessing your needs, wants, talents and potentials and priorities which, in turn, imply 'sounding your depths'. Life is an ongoing process of seeds and harvest and this includes knowing what to plant. As the metaphor continues this includes knowing your soil and climate. In other words who are you and what do you want and, more importantly, need to create in your life to feel truly nourished and nurtured?

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Abandoned Parker Island barges safe, but still an eyesore

By STACY
CARDIGAN SMITH
Driftwood Staff

Two derelict barges that have been an eyesore to Parker Island residents for years are finally being cleaned up and removed.

After years of lobbying government and non-profit groups, Parker Island residents got some help removing harmful garbage from the two barges starting back in August. But there is still a lot of work to be done, said John Roe, executive director and founder of the Veins of Life Watershed Society, a community-based environment group that initiates habitat restoration projects, education programs and public outreach activities.

"The immediate danger is gone with help from the community, [who cleared the] contaminated [items] and particularly the drywall and insulation. That was my biggest concern, that stuff gets in the environment and never disappears."

The barges, located on Parker Island foreshore across from Montague Harbour on Galiano Island, have a long history. According

to a report submitted to the Driftwood by Roe, the first barge, a 3,000-square-foot structure, was anchored there in 1983. The second barge, a 4,800-square-foot monstrosity, joined the first in 1993. Both belonged to Ronae Theabeau.

Neither barge was "conductive to a successful or envi-

**"I look at this as a long-term project, a little bit at a time."
— Veins of Life Watershed Society executive director John Roe**

ronmentally friendly operation," stated the report. Both needed significant structural repair from the start, with no immediate source of fresh water, no sanitation system and no access to a sewage pump-out system.

Regardless, Theabeau, along with his dogs, lived aboard the larger of the two structures for five years

without electricity or heat. He continued to accumulate large amounts of "stuff," until vanishing in 1997, stated the report. Theabeau left the barges scattered with appliances, furniture, insulation and building materials, and other garbage.

Throughout this time, local residents expressed concern about sanitation and safety. The roof of the first barge caved in and it attracted young people. Pieces of the structure, some measuring 15 square feet, also broke away and floated into Trincomali Channel and Georgia Strait.

From 1994 to 2000, Parker Island residents contacted the Ministry of Environment, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Islands Trust, federal MPs, provincial MLAs, the Canadian Coast Guard, the Sierra Club, the David Suzuki Foundation, and other groups.

Environmental agencies were unable to help due to lack of funding or mandate restrictions. Government agencies either did not respond or passed the buck onto someone at another level, stated the report.



One of two barges moored off Parker Island Photo contributed

The report also noted that the "off the record advice that islanders have been given by government agencies is to 'throw a match'."

It was not until the Parker Island Residents' Association took matters into their own hands and began fundraising to remove the barges that something was actually done.

Funding and equipment were secured, and volunteers

set to work organizing the trash so it could be easily removed from the structures. Finally last year, Bellavance Welding of Salt Spring was brought in to remove much of the garbage.

Now that the garbage has been removed, the barges themselves are next.

"I look at this as a long-term project, a little bit at a time," Roe said.

Parts of the barges, which

are lodged in sediment, will slowly be unearthed. To avoid further damage to the environment, no heavy machinery is being used to remove the structures.

Roe estimates it will take about four or five years to complete the project.

Anyone interested in volunteering with the clean-up or wanting more information can check out www.salish-sea.ca.



Concentrate:
Oleo Demandre follows in his father's footsteps, weaving baskets at the Saturday market.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Nature knows best for bones and spring abundance helps; get calcium from greens

By JAMIE CAPRANOS
Special to the Driftwood

As spring nettles reach upwards to bask in the warmth of the new sun, it's time to stretch our bodies and get back in the garden. And with the awakening of winter-stiffened limbs, Osteoporosis Month is here to remind us to take extra care of our bones.

Research led by our own Sam Graci has uncovered critical research that illustrates nature knows best. Calcium can only be properly absorbed and utilized by the body when it is combined with vitamins K1 and K2. Vitamins K1 and K2 are found in leafy green vegetables. This confirms what many natural health practitioners have known for some time: that the best source of calcium is not dairy but is found in leafy green vegetables. There is a difference between simply calcium — and absorbable, bio-available calcium. Furthermore, our bones are made-up of a whole complex of minerals beyond just calcium. If it was the consumption of calcium alone that led to strong healthy bones, then North America as one of the largest dairy consumers would not be suffering the epidemic of osteoporosis.

Similar to the health of a garden or forest dependent on the inter-relationships of organism diversity, minerals

rely on their inter-relationships to properly be absorbed and utilized.

Along with vitamins K1 and K2, and the many other minerals found in leafy green vegetables required to absorb calcium, there is another important co-factor required for absorption: Vitamin D. The greatest provider of Vitamin D is the sun. So get out in the sun and dig up your greens. Many of nature's best bone supplements are in our backyards, with nettle being one of the best.

Nettle can be used in many creative ways. Steamed like spinach it can be used in lasagna, stir-fries, made into pesto and prepared any way you may use a leafy green vegetable. Yes, it loses its sting once steamed, or dried.

To make your own calcium tea, harvest the first 12 or so inches of the plant (please wear gloves!), both the stalk and leaf. Hang them in a dry dark space for a week — time may vary depending on moisture in the room. I drape sheets of newspaper over them as they hang in the kitchen, preventing exposure to direct light, as I don't have a closet roomy enough to host nettles. Once thoroughly dried, cut the leaf and stem in small bits and store in an airtight glass jar. Litre-sized mason jars work great for this. To prepare your mineral-rich calcium tea, use one heap-

ing teaspoon of dried nettles to one cup or boiled water (don't boil them) and steep for 20 minutes covered.

Consistency is important with nutrition and lifestyle changes if you want to see results, so drink your tea regularly. Other wonderful calcium herbs to consider adding to your dried tea blend are dandelion leaf, comfrey leaf, mint and chickweed, to list just a few.

Other bone building and calcium rich foods to add to your diet are sesame seeds, tahini and seaweeds. Throw a handful of sesame seeds in your salads, and add tahini in your dressings and sauces.

Seaweed is rich in health-giving properties, its bone-building mineral content just one of the many benefits. Add seaweeds such as dulse or kelp to stir fries, salads, pasta or anything else your taste buds desire.

Along with stretching out the winter aches, weight-bearing exercises are another key component to building and maintaining healthy bones.

So as new blossoms burst forth to meet the sun — get outside and feel yourself inspired to reap the benefits that nature provides.

The writer is a homeopath and herbalist living on Salt Spring Island.

Renovated Mercer gallery opens doors on Saturday

The time is right, the lights are up and the signs are coming.

On Saturday, April 28, a new Salt Spring gallery opens to the public at 11 a.m., showing the works of Zephania (Sav) Boro, Sekoya Dawn, Rachel Page (Regal Peach), Warren Langley, Amarah Gabriel, Garry Kaye, Victoria Olchowecki, Julia Oscarson, Dutchie Mathison, Foster Gauley, Chris Johnston (IceBear), Barbara Blanchard, Sylvia Verity, Sasha Skotecky, Birgit Bateman and Maude Bridgeman.

The list represents artists and photographers from Salt Spring, Vancouver Island, the Lower Mainland and Ontario. In reality, the list is longer, but the wall space is limited!

After a long process of renovating, Maddy and Donn Tarris' Mercer Performance Gallery is set to open where once stood an auto garage. The Tread Shed is no more, being replaced by what the Tarris' refer to as their multi-faceted, multi-media, creative space.

Not only will there be art and photography on the walls, but the space will also be home for future musical and other performances, complete with live audio and video recording and broadcast.

The new facility houses the gallery, Tarris Imaging, an art "giclée" reproduction print company,

Tarris Innovations, their Mac computer support and training company as well as audio production services offered by Donn.

The opening show runs from April 28-May 10. Background music for the opening will feature cuts from CDs by Salt Spring songwriters, beautifully complementing the art on display.

A virtual slide show documenting the renovation will allow visitors to see the transformation.

As a special bonus for anyone purchasing a piece of artwork or print on the opening weekend, a certificate for 10 per cent of the value will be given towards dinner at one of the island's wonderful restaurants.

On May 11, the gallery features the works of islander Rachel Page/Regal Peach in her show called Visible Songs.

"She is also a fine songwriter/singer and, for her opening night, attendees will be treated to a half hour set of her original music performed live," said Donn Tarris.

The gallery's summer hours are in effect as of April 28: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, closed Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday to Friday. More information is available by phone at 537-4492 or on the web at www.mercergallery.ca.

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