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BIKING DANCERS: Members of the B.C. Clettes, an all-female bicycle dance troupe, give an energetic performance at Centennial Park on Saturday.

ISLANDS TRUST

OCP granted third reading

Affordable housing details top final debate

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring's revised official community plan (OCP) bylaw is on its way to the Trust's Executive Committee for approval after it received the unanimous support of trustees at a sparsely attended special meeting on Wednesday, July 23.

The decision marks one of the final stages in the two-and-a-half-year process to revise the island's land-use-planning document.

"Public response in the latter stages is an endorsement of this process," said Salt Spring Local Trust Committee (LTC) chair Kim Benson following last week's vote. "The public record really shows that the LTC received information, considered it, deliberated on it and used it to make its decisions."

The trustees' decision comes in spite of some community members' demands that the OCP process be delayed to allow for more public input.

Debate over the potential legalization of cottages and secondary suites to help create more affordable housing on the island once again dominated the agenda.

"It's really the stand-out issue of everything we've discussed," Benson said.

In an effort to regulate rental rates if and when suites and cottages are legalized, trustee Peter Lamb sought to include

B.C. FERRIES

Fuel surcharge takes hold this Friday

Annual report shows traffic decline already occurring

BY AMY GEDDES
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Beginning Aug. 1, ferry riders will start feeling the effects of 10 to 17.6 per cent fuel surcharges approved by the B.C. Ferry Commission last Wednesday.

People travelling on the three routes that service Salt Spring Island without Experience Card discount, will see the following ticket price changes.

Fare increases after surcharge:

Based on daily, peak-season tickets for a vehicle and driver:

Fulford Harbour - Swartz Bay route

Last ticket price: \$37.70 (round trip)

Ticket price with new surcharge: \$42.45

Crofton - Vesuvius route

Last ticket price: \$37.70 (round trip)

Ticket price with new surcharge: \$42.45

Tsawwassen route to Long Harbour

Last ticket price: \$65.45 (one way)

Ticket price with new surcharge: \$73.30

In explaining why the old and new ticket prices quoted above are not 17.6 per cent different, B.C. Ferries spokesperson Deborah Marshall explained in an e-mail that "the dollar amount for each category . . . will be a blended number that will consider total traffic, traffic mix and seasonal Experience Card prices."

Discounted Experience Card fares that apply to Fulford Harbour and Swartz Bay/Crofton and

Vesuvius routes will in fact rise 20 per cent — from the current \$23.75 to \$28.50.

While the 17.6 per cent "blended" surcharge applies to 18 minor routes, other surcharges are 10.3 per cent on the three major routes and 9.2 per cent on the Horseshoe Bay-Langdale route. The northern routes, however, will not see a surcharge.

Marshall also said that surcharges are higher on the minor routes "because the number of people travelling on the major routes is much higher so the cost of fuel is shared (or divided) amongst more people."

She cites the theoretical example of 200 people on the Skeena Queen versus 2,000 on a Spirit-class vessel.

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NEWSBEAT

FIRE

Engine fire forces couple off vessel

Coast guard crew leaps onto moving boat to put out fire

BY AMY GEDDES
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A middle-aged couple was forced to jump to safety into their dinghy after their boat engine caught fire between Salt Spring and Galiano islands on Thursday.

When eyewitness Maria Steernberg saw the vessel, it was circling in Trincomali Channel just north of Montague Harbour.

As Ganges Coast Guard officer-in-charge Al Hoskins explained, "In the course of the fire the wires melted together and re-started the engine somehow."

Steernberg, a marine photographer travelling nearby in her Sea Snaps boat, heard the mayday call.

"When he came on the air, he was panicked," she said and recalled the captain saying, "I've got a fire five miles north of Montague



The coast guard assists a boat on fire last Thursday.

entrance and we're abandoning ship."

Steernberg drove closer to take photos, as she often does for insurance purposes, and to assist if she was needed.

"I could see the smoke coming from the boat," she said. "It was thick and it stunk . . . It was a toxic kind of smell."

The emergency coordination centre confirmed on Friday that the engine room fire consisted principally of

smoke and no flames.

When a Ganges Coast Guard crew arrived, Steernberg watched their vessel, the Cape Edenshaw, pull up alongside the smoking Galatia. The crew hopped onto the Galatia, turned off the engine and successfully extinguished the fire, she said.

"I thought I was seeing things," Steernberg said about the crew's attempt to board the moving vessel.

"You should be proud of

them," she said. "The Edenshaw really had it under control. And there's nothing scarier than a fire on a boat; you're always waiting for a propane tank to go."

Coming from 21 years' experience photographing distressed marine vehicles, she said, "A fire can engulf a boat within minutes."

Hoskins said it was fortunate his crew was already in the area when the mayday call was heard.

"It was starting to really belch out smoke," he said. "It would have been uncontrolled in a few more minutes."

The motor vessel Moving Experience, manned by Greg Bellavance, who had also responded to the mayday, took the couple and their boat back to Canoe Cove in Sidney.

Steernberg said the incident was unfortunate for the "good Samaritan" couple, who had only one hour prior to the fire assisted another boat by providing it with fuel in Active Pass.

Affordable housing again dominates talks

OCP

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a provision in the proposed OCP that would force the Islands Trust to develop a housing agreement process in conjunction with the Capital Regional District (CRD).

"The whole purpose is to provide affordable housing and without some regulation I'm not sure we can accomplish the intent of the policy," Lamb said.

"Without some limit to ensure affordability, we may open up development potential that may not be necessary," he added. "Some form of rental regulation is something the LTC should be required to do."

Though supportive of the need for more affordable housing on the island, trustee George Ehring countered that the Trust had yet to receive enough information on how such an agreement could be administered and enforced.

"There's just not enough information to know if a housing agreement will achieve the desired outcome," he said.

Making property owners and tenants subject to a housing agreement at this stage, Ehring said, could lead to the eviction of individuals currently renting illegal cottages and secondary suites.

"Opening up suites to tenancies that are not affordable is not what we want to do but, having said that, I cannot see how we are accomplishing that without putting tenants at risk," he said.

Ehring cited the lack of communities with rent controls as a sign that the Trust ought to keep its options open.

He further stated that amending the OCP at this stage to include a provision calling for a housing agreement was unfair to members of the public who may have an opinion on the matter.

"We were saying to people 'be aware that the LTC is going to consider a housing agreement,' but we didn't say that's the way it's going to go," Ehring said.

LTC chair Kim Benson sided with trustee Ehring and called for considering the matter of housing agreements later in a process separate from the

OCP review.

Trustees agreed to include an additional provision in the OCP calling on the Salt Spring LTC to do further work with the CRD's Capital Region Housing Corporation on the possibility of administering individual housing agreements.

Though the provision indicates the Trust is interested in the matter, it does not imply a requirement to adopt housing agreements in the event suites and cottages are legalized.

Bylaw 434 requires approval from the Islands Trust's Executive Committee and the province's Ministry of Community Development before it returns to the Salt Spring LTC for final adoption.

Trust planner Robert Kojima said the bylaw could pass before the Trust's Executive Committee as soon as Aug. 5.

Both the Executive Committee and the Ministry of Community Development will accept public submissions on Bylaw 434 prior to making their decisions.

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TRANSPORTATION

Salt Spring bus system 'bursting at the seams'

Transit commission hopes more provincial funding will increase service

BY AMY GEDDES
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring bus ridership has doubled in the past several weeks.

Speaking to a provincial government film crew in Ganges on Thursday, local transportation commission chair Bob Fenske said ridership hit an all-time high of 1,370 riders last week, with some people left standing on the curb as a result.

"We're bursting at the seams. We're starting to get complaints that people can't get on because the bus is too full."

Fenske was filmed as part of a provincial government initiative to highlight green communities in B.C. As chair of the Salt Spring Island Community Transit and Transportation Commission, he attributed the province's \$100,000 annual subsidy for helping Salt Spring's transit system get off the ground and suggested that a third bus would help meet the escalating demand.

At its July 22 regular monthly meeting, the commission discussed its intent to apply for additional provincial funding to help pay for increased service.

Board member Harold Swierenga suggested that instead of looking at adding another 20-passenger minibus, a larger bus could be an alternative solution to meeting the demand.

"We could really use one size larger because the Fulford run is getting very full," Swierenga said.

But commissioner Nigel Deyner said he was not sure an extra bus is the answer.

"I agree we would like to improve the service because we've seen how successful it is, and we know there's more demand than we're fulfilling, but I would not like to be too specific in terms of [asking for] a larger bus."

After going on camera at the harbour-front in Ganges, Fenske remarked about how easy it was to speak positively about the recent advancements in bus transportation on Salt Spring.

"We would like to be seen as a model of how a small community can bring in a transit service," he said.

In other transportation commission news:

- B.C. Transit has approved the fall Salt Spring Transit schedule, agreed on in principle at the commission's June meeting. One of the two extra mid-day runs to Fulford added for the summer will be discontinued in the fall.

- The Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce has proposed a 50-50 partnership with the commission in covering costs for



PHOTO BY AMY GEDDES

A film crew takes footage of Salt Spring's new transit system for a video project on green communities in B.C.

a pair of pedestrian lights and a crosswalk at Ganges Village Market. The commission has agreed in principle to work with the chamber on this project, but will seek confirmation of estimated costs from the chamber before making a commitment. To ensure the lights and crosswalk are installed with the North Ganges Village Transportation Management Plan in mind, they wish to delay installation until the detailed design plan is completed in the fall.

- Bryan Adderley has requested reconfiguration of parking that fronts the United Church to allow for safer pedestrian access. The commission will invite him to the next meeting to explain the details of his proposal.

- A draft request for proposal for detailed design work of the North Ganges Village Transportation Management Plan is being completed.

- A bus-stop sign and red paint denoting a bus-only parking zone at the Fulford ferry terminal will be paid for by B.C. Ferries, the commission learned.

- The CRD budget report from regional director Gary Holman confirmed that \$5,000 to \$10,000 is currently unallocated for transit, but this does not include a substantial increase in expected fare revenue due to the success of the service. Roughly \$30,000 is currently unallocated for transportation items, but much of that amount would be

required for the GVM pedestrian lights. Holman also said he will support the maximum legal taxing authority for the commission in 2009.

- Commissioner Kimi Hendess will investigate whether or not the Ministry of Transportation will approve signage on Ganges Hill to allow bike riders to "take the lane" going downhill to reduce safety hazards from cars parked on the roadside. She will also look into ensuring roadsides are regularly swept of gravel to reduce hazards for cyclists.

- The commission is linking with I-SEA summer students who will carry out a transportation service awareness survey in August. They will recommend that the survey focus on Ganges as well as morning commuter ferry riders, going both ways on Vesuvius and Fulford routes.

B.C. Transit plans to hand out bus rider surveys during day-time hours on Salt Spring Transit buses for one day in October.

- The commission is working with Fulford Inn owner Alf Reda to get 10 park and ride parking spots designated in the Fulford Inn parking lot. They would be in effect from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The public is invited to attend the commission's next meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. at the I-SEA office at 124 Lower Ganges Road.

News briefs

MOE discusses Swanson

Excavating and ditching work has resumed at the Swanson's Pond property owned by Salt Spring Ventures Inc.

Brodie Porter, acting regional planning manager for the Salt Spring Trust office, said staff from both the Trust and Ministry of Environment were on site late last week and "found no basis on which to order [the owner's representative] Eric Booth to stop work."

Area residents contacted government agencies last week concerned about

activity on the property between Park Drive and Kanaka Road.

Peter Law, ecosystems biologist for the Ministry of Environment, would only confirm that he had visited the site and talked to the landowner in the past week "and discussed the environmental issues concerning development" of the lot.

Salt Spring biologist Kathy Reimer said Booth was told "that any future development of the property would have to comply with the Riparian Areas Regulation and that he would have to hire a qualified environmental person to do the assessment."

Reimer also said drainage

work on the property has impacted local fish habitat.

"This year we had to move 30 fish from areas that went dry early because the water from the springs upstream of the pond have been diverted and the low summer flows no longer reach the area where the fish are."

Flicked butt burns grass

Two separate complaints from eyewitnesses were issued to the fire department regarding a fire that may have been caused by a cigarette butt.

The unextinguished butt started a small fire in the

dry grass alongside Long Harbour Road's 500 block on July 25, said Salt Spring deputy fire chief Dan Akerman on Tuesday.

"It was definitely a discarded cigarette," he said.

Whether it was flicked onto the ground by a passing vehicle or pedestrian, Akerman said, the fire department did not know.

Akerman confirms the small area of grass that caught on fire was fully extinguished.

In other Salt Spring Fire-Rescue news:

A vehicle collided with a tree on Whims Road on July 23 at 9 a.m. No one was injured.

Also on July 23, a tree fell over onto hydro lines at 2:48 p.m. in the 1300 block of Fulford-Ganges Road. The department responded to this incident.

Items vanish

Small rowboats, boat motors, crab traps and gas cans have been disappearing from west Salt Spring waterfront properties, Salt Spring RCMP say.


Over the past three weeks, missing items of this nature have been reported to Salt Spring RCMP by residents living on the west coast of Salt Spring from Vesuvius to Burgoyne Bay.

The missing items have

not been readily identifiable and the owners have been unable to produce serial numbers, so Salt Spring RCMP say they are finding it difficult to retrieve the missing items or pinpoint the reason behind their disappearance.

Salt Spring RCMP say they encourage people to secure their waterfront items by locking them up and marking them so they can be identified if they go missing.


Over the past three weeks since the string of coastal items began to disappear, none has been found, except for a canoe that went missing from a Booth Canal property.



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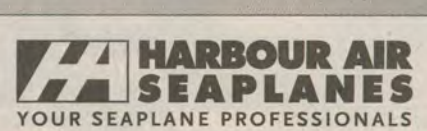
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5 Fernwood
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NEWSBEAT

MEMORIAL

Family says formal goodbye to their daughter lost at sea

All Saints service for Courtenay Steele

BY GAIL SJUBERG
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

John and Dovene Steele have endured what no parent ever wants to contemplate: the loss of a child.

And in their case, the body of their daughter Courtenay Jane Steele, who was born on Salt Spring Island 27 years ago today (July 30), has not been found. But since Courtenay and her life partner Christopher Malchow have not been heard from since they phoned the family on Sept. 7, 2007, one day before setting out for Victoria from Hilo, Hawaii on their sailboat the Takaroa II, they are presumed to have drowned at sea.

As Courtenay's younger sister Jenny remarked to their parents, they should have been planning the couple's wedding this summer. Instead, next Thursday, Aug. 7, the family is holding a memorial for Courtenay at All Saints By-the-Sea church beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Courtenay and Christopher went to New Zealand in October of 2006 with a plan to travel around and work there for about a year.

While in New Zealand they not only lived for a time on a sailboat but got "the sailing bug," as Courtenay explained on their travel blog. Courtenay did not have sailing experience, but Chris did and they decided to buy a boat and sail it back home to Victoria.

In the spring of 2007 they



COURTESY STEELE FAMILY

Christopher Malchow and Courtenay Steele on the Takaroa II

purchased the Takaroa II, a nine-metre (30-foot) vessel, which John says was "reportedly slow but very seaworthy."

It's clear from Courtenay's descriptions on the blog that the couple fell in love with their New Zealand find, which they referred to as "T2" and their "fat-bottomed girl." They took her out of the water, diligently worked on her for a month and after a two-week sea trial off New Zealand, set out for Tahiti in the middle of June. A broken boom suffered in a storm sent them back to Opuia, New Zealand, but once repairs were made they ventured off again and arrived in Papeete, Tahiti at the end of July 2007. A month later they landed in Hilo, Hawaii after a trouble-free journey.

In Hilo they bought three months worth of supplies and water, as well as a new VHF radio, survival gear and 2 VHF Epirbs (emergency position indicating radio beacons) for the voyage that was expected to take between four and six weeks.

"Their boat was originally registered in Sitka, Alaska," said John, "so it had made the trip before."

Sailing across the Pacific Ocean may not have been a lifelong dream of Courtenay's, said Dovene, "but it became her dream."

"She had opportunities to bail in Tahiti and Hawaii —

and she didn't."

People can still read Courtenay's blog from the trip at island-bound.ca, where her honesty, humour and descriptive writing make readers bask in the South Pacific heat, cringe from chafed skin caused by a lack of fresh water for washing and appreciate the contradictory feelings aroused when Chris caught a beautiful dolphin fish after 23 days at sea.

"I go weak when I see him, iridescent blue and silver, and suggest tossing him back," Courtenay wrote. "But we have no fresh food left, and fish tastes so good. So we decide that we will eat this one, but only him and all of him — no waste."

When Courtenay and Chris had not arrived in Victoria by mid October, the U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard organizations were contacted, a search undertaken and an overdue alert was broadcast until mid December.

In December the family called a few major media organizations, hoping the publicity might trigger the memory of somebody who had seen something between Hawaii and North America during the fall, but that has not been the case.

Serious storms did occur on their route during that time, and some have speculated that the boat was hit by a freighter in the shipping

lanes, even though the odds of that would be "a million to one," said John.

But, he added, "The odds of having a child like Courtenay are a million to one — or a million to three," referring to her brother Casey and sister Jennifer, who form the rest of their extremely close immediate family.

Casey, 25, already has one university degree and is now studying engineering at Queen's University. Jennifer, 23, is at Camosun training to become a registered nurse and will graduate with her degree from UVic.

Courtenay was born at Lady Minto Hospital, went to Fernwood Elementary School and graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary School in 1998. John and Dovene describe their daughter as a very bright and creative person who learned to read early, had skipped Grade 3 and always liked writing. She studied communications at Camosun College and worked at the college radio station, did movie patron interviews for Warner Bros. and was a web editor for AbeBooks in Victoria. Her position even took her to Los Angeles and Germany as a company representative.

Courtenay's plan was to take a human resources course when she and Chris returned from their trip.

Even though she was quite shy, say John and Dovene, Courtenay enjoyed karaoke, and definitely loved playing card and board games.

She and her friends did fun things like inventing their own version of "night club bingo" because the DJ at a certain Victoria club was so predictable with his playlists.

When the Lions Club fundraising Orca sculptures began populating Victoria streets a few years ago, said John, "She made it her goal to have her picture taken with each one."

Family members have naturally gone through every possible "what if" scenario about their loss, but realize that will not ultimately help them as they go through the grieving process. They do hope next Thursday's memorial might make a positive difference.

Anyone who knew Courtenay and would like to celebrate her life with the Steeles on Aug. 7 is welcome to attend the All Saints event.

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COMMUNITY HOUSING

Islanders get peek at new housing as Murakami Gardens opens doors

First tenants moving in this weekend

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Years of planning and the coordinated efforts of many individuals and groups came to fruition on Saturday with the open-house welcome to Murakami Gardens, Salt Spring's first multi-generation community housing project.

During the three-hour introduction, nearly 200 visitors arrived to share in the historic accomplishment. A spirit of celebration was evident at the open house, where volunteers guided visitors into bright and cheery apartments, from one-room studios to three-bedroom suites.

Fitted with energy-saving appliances and water-saving bathroom fixtures, the Murakami Gardens complex is what anyone would ask for in a home: affordable, secure, healthy and attractive. Environmentally friendly linoleum that passes for wood flooring in a walnut finish teams up with stylish granite-looking counter tops; well-designed floor plans contribute to the spacious feeling.

On hand to welcome visitors was Rose Murakami, who donated the land and first initiated the project with her brother Richard Murakami.

Rose said it was Richard's idea to create low-income housing, noting that even 10 years ago the Driftwood was reporting that the lack of affordable housing on the island was causing labour shortages. Murakami Gardens was imagined as a response to that problem, but as Rose noted, there are deeper roots to her family's involvement.

The Murakamis' father was one of Salt Spring's early farmers, with a successful property on Sharp Road. The family was interned during the Second World War, lost their farm when it was confiscated and sold by the government, and emerged from internment extremely impoverished. Incredibly, Japanese Canadians were forced to pay for their own internment.

"We returned in 1954 in abject poverty," Rose remembered. "We just barely had enough to buy the scrub land on Rainbow Road where we live today." While clearing the stumps from the land to create a market garden, the family survived on edible weeds



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From left, Richard Murakami, Boodie Arnott, Brent Baker, Rose Murakami and Lizzy Rowe.

and "gifts from the sea."

Despite encountering much racism on their return, the Murakamis also found goodwill in the community.

"Islanders and visitors to the island supported us by buying our produce. If they hadn't, we probably would have starved to death."

Finding themselves many years later in the position to donate some of their land, the Murakamis remembered what it was like when they didn't have a home.

"That garden that Mom and Dad established was our lifeline, so we named [the project] Murakami Gardens, so that the people who live here can be safe and re-establish themselves in the community," Rose explained.

"That's why it was more personal for Richard and me. It was, one, a way to honour our parents, and two, to acknowledge and remember those who supported us during those difficult years. So that's why we wanted to give back to the community."

The Murakamis chose to partner with Community Services for the actual planning and administration of the housing development. Many individuals and organizations helped make the project a reality, including Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the Capital Regional District, the Islands Trust, B.C. Housing and the Salt Spring Foundation.

Elizabeth White, working with NRCan Eco-energy, provided consultation on energy-saving measures such as heat pumps.

Local involvement also extended to the building, done by Salt Spring tradespeople, with products almost

entirely supplied locally. As construction manager Brent Baker asserted, "It's a feather in the cap for the island. It was all island trades, it was

"It was, one, a way to honour our parents, and two, to acknowledge and remember those who supported us during those difficult years."

ROSE MURAKAMI
Housing project land donor

under budget and it was finished on time."

Lizzy Rowe, the Community Services manager who acted as head of the selection committee, outlined a fairly strict but objective process for admitting the develop-

ment's residents. This included an application form, an interview and assessment of perceived housing need, and reference checks. Once in however, tenants can expect long-term security in their housing, as long as they adhere to a standard residency agreement.

"Today was a chance for the community to see what they helped accomplish," said Rowe. "Everyone is really impressed by the building."

With half the tenants set to move in August 1, and the rest a month later, there are already people on a waiting list in case space opens up. Rowe said interested people can find application forms at the Community Services office. (They are not available at Murakami Gardens.)

While there's no doubt that Murakami Gardens has provided a much-needed service on the island, Rowe sees the project as just the beginning.

"This is a really good step in the right direction, but it doesn't solve the community's housing needs. It's just 27 individuals and families that it can house, so there's still a lot more that need affordable housing."

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VISITORS



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Dayna Manuel, above, tidies the shoe rack at Transitions Thrift Shop, while Chelsie Elemie, helps Lady Minto extended care resident Ted Aves with a bowling game. The two women are living and volunteering on Salt Spring for six weeks this summer.

NWT girls volunteer on SSI

Northern Youth Abroad program places students in local positions

BY AMY GEDES
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Island is a far cry from being a "big city," but for Dayna Manuel and Chelsie Elemie, the island offers a greater diversity of work and different experiential opportunities than the small communities they grew up in.

The two women, raised in remote North West Territories communities, are living on Salt Spring with hosts Ellie Langford-Parks and Nick Langford for six weeks this summer.

Along with 27 other northern Canada participants selected to participate in the 2008 Northern Youth Abroad (NYA) program, Manuel and Elemie are volunteering at summer placements to earn high-school credits, get work experience and gain a better sense of career and life opportunities available to them in southern Canada.

All host families are matched with two NYA students at a time. Doubling-up offers participants a support system and facilitates lasting friendships and networks between the youth in Nunavut and the N.W.T., the NYA website explains.

"Salt Spring Island is a good placement location for NYA participants because of its size, proximity to larger metropolitan areas, and the support and generosity participants receive from community members," wrote NYA program officer Mike Passey in an e-mail.

"Placements in large metropolitan areas can often be overwhelming for northern youth who, like Dayna and Chelsie, tend to come from communities of less than 1,000 people."

to share their Salt Spring experiences thus far:

CHELISIE ELEMIE, 19

Deline, N.W.T.

Placement:

Lady Minto Hospital

Tasked with re-loading the blue bowling ball, Elemie carefully lines up the metal guide for residents as they take their turn knocking down the pins. Friday is indoor bowling day in the extended care unit at Lady Minto Hospital and Elemie says she is getting exactly the kind of career experience she was looking for when she came to Salt Spring through the NYA program.

"I like helping people," she said. "Almost all of my life I've wanted to get into nursing."

As a volunteer at the hospital she reads to residents, runs quiz games, helps with the exercise program and mealtime feeding, assists with paperwork, cooking and a host of other activities involved with resident care.

"It's great for extended care," said Elemie's supervisor Jennifer Ritson. "We get an extra person for the whole day for a whole month."

While on Salt Spring, Elemie has visited the Saturday market in Centennial Park, gone boating and taken sightseeing trips to Victoria and Nanaimo.

"It's beautiful here," she said. "I didn't expect it to be like this. There are a lot of tourists and the people are all really nice."

She noticed the cost of food and other daily items on Salt Spring are "much cheaper" than in Deline, N.W.T., but there is more junk food, pop and coffee here.

Elemie plans to attend Grand Prairie College next year where she will upgrade her remaining high school credits and then attend nursing school.

Trying lamb for the first time at dinner with her host family was just one of the

she will take with her after she leaves Salt Spring at the end of August.

DAYNA MANUEL, 20

Norman Wells, N.W.T.

Placement:

Transitions Thrift Shop

While volunteering at the Transitions Thrift Shop on Thursday, Manuel wears her new nose ring with pride. Freshly pierced only just the day before at Skin Sensations, she says of her home town of Norman Wells, "You can't do that there."

She explained the only hair salon in Norman Wells has been closed for some time while its owner is on maternity leave. So when Manuel moved to Salt Spring, she jumped at the chance to get pierced.

But it was coming across the thrift shop on the Island Women Against Violence website that really attracted her to Salt Spring and appealed to her interest in working with women and children as a career.

"I wanted to gain work experience and learn new things," she said.

Her supervisor at the shop, Roberta Temmel, said Manuel is well received by customers. In addition to honing her retail skills, she is interacting with customers and other staff from diverse backgrounds.

Temmel said staff and other volunteers have enjoyed hearing stories about Manuel's family history and where she grew up.

"She does beautiful beadwork and does a type of dance . . . and her grandfather was one of the oldest fiddlers in her community," Temmel said.

"I think it's important for her to share her stories with us."

Manuel rides the bus each day to work, is in awe of Mount Maxwell and is pleased to say she swam in the ocean for the first time a few weeks ago at Vesuvius

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FERRIES

Net earnings slide for ferry corporation

Revenue and expenses up

B.C. Ferries brought in more money from fiscal 2007 to 2008 than it did the year before, but saw higher expenses eating away at its \$640.7 million in revenue.

In its annual report released Monday, July 28, the corporation reported a 7.4 per cent revenue increase from April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008, but only \$37.1 million in net earnings — which was 31.5 per cent less than the \$48.8 million earned the year before.

Total revenue from operations was up by \$3.2 million and the corporation earned \$15 million more in interest than in the previous year.

Fuel costs, terminal upgrades and the building and purchase of new vessels contributed to total earnings losses.

Fiscal year 2007-08 also saw slight

changes in traffic, reliability and safety ratings for B.C. Ferries, according to performance measures published in the annual report.

The report showed minimally decreased ratings in the areas of employee safety and passenger safety, with the number of passenger injuries per million passengers rising from 11.31 to 11.93. Customer satisfaction dropped from 89 per cent to 88 per cent.

Rates were minimally better for on time performance, with departures on time rising from 86.3 per cent in 2006 to 86.6 in 2007.

New opportunities to build revenue projected in the report included the launch of the Super-C class boats, Coastal Renaissance, Coastal Inspiration and Coastal Celebration. The vessels are the largest end-to-end ferries in the world, carrying many more cars and people at

a time. The ships also feature a fuel-efficient diesel-electric propulsion system.

Based on slightly higher numbers for vehicle and foot traffic, the corporation projects an additional increase of 3.5 per cent and 2 per cent respectively, over five years.

However, the report also indicates a decline in traffic on the non major routes (see front-page Driftwood story) and notes that northern route traffic has not resumed to its fall 2006 levels before the sinking of the Queen of the North.

Reducing the corporation's environmental footprint was stated as a top priority in the report. Measures already in place include an anti-idling campaign for vehicle traffic, the composting of organic waste and a comprehensive recycling program including cooking oil and fluorescent light tubes.



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Ridership down on minor routes

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Gregg Dow, who heads the Save our Ferries Advocacy Group, said he suspects the fuel economy of some vessels serving the minor routes may be more efficient and suggests those routes may not warrant such a high surcharge increase.

Dow, who works on the Queen of Nanaimo, is concerned that ridership on the minor routes is in visible decline.

"As a ferry worker, I see fewer of the regular faces," he said.

While major routes connecting the mainland and Vancouver Island saw a 2.2 per cent increase in vehicle traffic volume from April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008, all other routes — such as those serving the Gulf Islands and Sunshine Coast — saw a decrease of .8 per cent, according to B.C. Ferries' annual report released Monday. Those routes carried 4,632,645 vehicles in fiscal 2007-08, down from 4,669,602 the year before. Passenger numbers saw a similar .6 per cent decline from 10,440,483 to 10,382,668.

However, higher fares resulted in a 2.7 per cent increase in vehicle tariff revenue (to \$51,319,000), and 2.9 per cent more funds from passengers (\$31,004,000).

B.C. Ferries admits there is uncertainty about how rising fuel surcharges and total tariff costs will impact future ferry traffic levels: "There is a risk of a decline in ferry traffic levels as a result of increasing customer costs resulting from the implementation of fuel surcharges," the report states.

"We wish the provincial government would review its business model again," said Dow, speaking on behalf of the Save our Ferries Advocacy Group. "Fuel costs are going up, we understand that, but [the surcharge is] really going to hurt the communities."

On the local front, costly ferry travel is giving tourists to Salt Spring a reason to take a second look at returning to the island in the future.

After visiting Salt Spring in July, Jennifer Smith from Milton, ON wrote in her blog on July 18 that the cost of the ferry caused her group to "re-think" its travel plans.

Faced with higher than anticipated marine diesel fuel costs, B.C. Ferries decided in June to request the fuel surcharge.

Fuel accounted for 15 per cent of the ferry corporation's total costs in 2007-08, according to a statement issued by the B.C. Ferry Commission, which approved the surcharge increase.

According to the commission, under the formula set out in its instructions and following the practice established from 2005 to 2008, "B.C. Ferries can only use the revenue from fuel surcharges to offset the excess fuel costs."

It states that no surcharge revenue will go towards B.C. Ferries' profits and therefore the company will have no incentive to introduce a surcharge earlier than required.

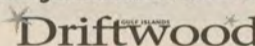
The commission permits B.C. Ferries to change the fuel surcharge once in each three-month period, providing it gives 15 days public notice.

Based on current market pricing, B.C. Ferries anticipate more fuel surcharges in the fall, states the company's annual report.

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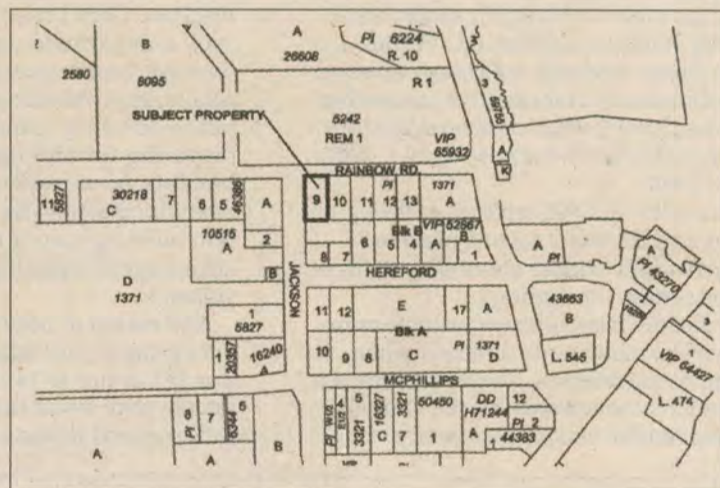
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EDITORIAL

Ferry optics

As island residents and visitors get set to pay 10 to 20 per cent more due to a new fuel surcharge being implemented on Friday, it's an ideal time to reflect on the nature of numbers in ferry land.

According to B.C. Ferries' annual report posted to its website on Monday, ferries were on time 86.6 per cent of the time in the past fiscal year, which is .3 per cent higher than the previous year. That's good news. Despite that, for some reason customers were one whole percentage point less satisfied with their B.C. Ferries experience than they were the year before — down to 88 per cent.

Interestingly, that 88 per cent figure is touted in one line of the report, but it doesn't correspond to results of the Customer Satisfaction Tracking survey, released by the B.C. Ferries on July 24.

THE ISSUE:

BC Ferries fares & PR

WE SAY:

Revenue trail will go dry

Respondents of the questionnaire done in June, August and November of 2007 were often "neither satisfied nor dissatisfied" as much as "satisfied" when asked about items like washroom cleanliness, terminal experiences and shopping options.

But only 40 per cent were satisfied with overall

value for fares paid, down from 49 per cent in 2003.

Residents or other ferry users who aim to fend off dissatisfaction by using B.C. Experience Cards (formerly prepaid paper tickets) will find their attempts less effective as of Friday.

One-time fares between Swartz Bay and Fulford will actually only rise by 12.6 per cent due to the increased fuel charge, but the hike is 20 per cent on the prepaid fares. The only option for islanders wanting to beat the ferry fare heat is clearly to stay home.

We've already started to do that. B.C. Ferries' annual report shows modestly declining passenger and vehicle numbers on its routes that are neither "major" — connecting the mainland and Vancouver Island — or in the north between April 1, 2007 and March 31, 2008.

Graphics-wise, the 2007-08 report is as flashy as the last two, and the level of detail provided is exemplary. But we still wonder about the origins of the 88 per cent satisfaction figure.

And we predict the passenger and vehicle number declines will be much more dramatic when next year's figures are released. It's something even the public relations experts creating the annual report will have trouble making look pretty.



Lessons in how to prepare for peace

BY JAN SLAKOV

The Salt Spring peace community has a long tradition of commemorating Hiroshima Day.

Besides remembering how Hiroshima was decimated with the first use of nuclear weapons, we renew our commitment to work for peace. And we are not alone. Thanks to concerted efforts, notably through the U.N., the numbers of wars and people being killed from war and human rights violations has been decreasing since the end of the cold war.

Unfortunately, Canada has been out of step with this trend. Canadian Forces College professor Dr. Walter Dorn explains: "We currently deploy merely 55 soldiers under the U.N. blue flag at a time when the U.N. has over 70,000 soldiers in the field . . . Our military makes up less than 0.1 per cent of U.N. forces, a hundred times less than the 10 per cent average for Canada for much of the history of U.N. peacekeeping."

The huge amount of resources being used in the Afghan war means virtually nothing is left for peacekeeping missions. (The Afghan mission is not a peacekeeping mission; there is no commitment to impartiality, consent and minimum use of force.)

As we approach Hiroshima Day, it is important to ask ourselves how we can best promote peace in the world. Here are some suggestions:

1) Establish a federal Department of Peace: Our current MP, the Hon. Gary Lunn, does not support the establishment of such a department, maintaining that peace-building initiatives are best supported through our department of Foreign Affairs. But without a coordinated, systematic emphasis on peace-building, Canada continues to invest much more in preparing for and fighting war, rather than genuine peace-building. As the saying goes, when your only tool is a hammer, everything looks like a nail. With so many resources going into building up our military capacity, we fail to see and take advantage of opportunities to promote peace through non-violence.

And we fail to notice how skewed and biased our system is. For example, the Harper Conservative government chose Gordon O'Connor to be its first Minister of Defence. How many people were aware that Mr. O'Connor was previously a lobbyist for several weapons manufacturers when he was employed

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by the notorious public relations firm Hill and Knowlton (Canada)?

More to the point, how many know about the march for peace in Kandahar on International Women's Day this year? Or how peace and increased respect for human rights has been achieved in many areas around the world in recent years, from Sierra Leone to East Timor and El Salvador?

2) Welcome war resisters: Former U.S. President John F. Kennedy once said: "War will exist until that distant day when the CO [conscientious objector] enjoys the same reputation and prestige that the warrior does today." A majority of Canadian MPs understand this, and voted on June 3 to allow U.S. soldiers who object to the "war on terror" on conscientious grounds to stay in Canada. However, the Conservative government is ignoring the will of the majority and allowing these deserters to be deported to face punishment in the U.S.

3) Implement a nuclear phase-out: Much of the uranium mined in Canada ends up in depleted uranium (DU) weapons. Using nuclear waste to create weapons is completely unethical, especially because DU has been linked to birth defects, cancer and Gulf War syndrome. B.C. renewed its uranium mining moratorium recently, but this moratorium could still be lifted at any time. And Canada has not yet declared itself a "nuclear weapons free zone" (as have countries in many other parts of the world).

4) End our reliance on non-renewable resources: By weaning ourselves and our governments off of dependence on fossil fuels and other "spoils of war," we make peace possible. As Helen Caldicott has noted: "In the charmed circle of U.S. capitalism, Lockheed Martin-, Boeing-, and Raytheon-manufactured munitions destroy Iraq; George Schultz's Bechtel Corporation and Dick Cheney's Haliburton rebuild Iraq; and Iraqi oil pays for it all."

5) Join us for this year's Hiroshima Day commemoration at the Peace Park across from ArtSpring, beginning at 5 p.m. on Aug. 6. This is a family-friendly event; all are welcome.

The writer has been inspired by the White Rose anti-Nazi resistance group in her peace activism.

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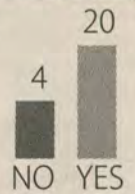
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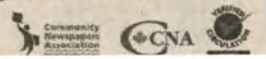
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SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What is the biggest obstacle you've had to overcome as a bike rider on Salt Spring?



BOB MACKIE

There are no dedicated shoulders or bike paths.



JOHN HERBERT

When two cars pass each other on roads like Stewart and Cusheon Lake, where there are no shoulders, bikes are forced off the side of the road.



TRISH FAUROT

The weather. Often in the winter it's really wet and dark so it's uncomfortable and it's dangerous to ride.



LINDA COEHLO

We used to ride into town from Walker Hook in the '80s; now the roads are a lot busier and there are more commercial trucks.



TARA MILLER

All the up-hills, but the down-hills are nice.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 350 words or less. Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name. Thank you letters will not normally be considered for publication. Read and reply to Driftwood letters at gulfislandsdriftwood.com and look for letters under the OPINION tab.

Illusion preferred?

As a frequent ferry user I believe it is worth remembering the underlying issue regarding fares which is: Is the ferry system part of the overall provincial transportation system or is it not?

If it is, clearly it should be supported by government subsidy as is the rest of the system. I am not aware of our government taking a clear position on this, I suspect because it would be awkward to try and defend. Instead the government "user-pay orientation" merely implies that the ferries are mostly for the indulgence of the rich and the tourists who should pay full cost.

Why does the government prefer this illusion that the ferries are not a necessary

part of the whole transportation system? Because it saves them money. And that, after all, is what this government is all about.

P.S. If you want some ironic amusement, go to the B.C. Ferry Commission website and see what is defined as "public interest."

DAVID EYLES,
SIDNEY

In praise of kilos

No, this isn't a paean to the metric system, it's a plea about pronunciation. We all say KILogram, but why do so many say kil-OM-eter? I suppose it's because we're used to therm-OM-eter and bar-OM-eter and the like, but they are measuring devices, whereas kilograms and kilometres are measurements.

There's the spelling, too,

unless you're in the U.S.A., which adds to their confusion. Here the devices end with "eter" and the measurements with "etre," such as MILLimetre and CENTimetre — and KILometre, please!

Of course the benighted metric system we're stuck with here has taken away our nice easy mile, and substituted four clumsy syllables for one, so in the interest of shortening the kilometre, the kil-OM-eter has frequently slid into a mere three-syllable KLOmeter. The kilogram has claimed the two-syllable "kilo," but maybe that will change with the English-speaker's penchant for brevity, and those words will evolve eventually into Klom and Klog.

On the other hand, KILometre doesn't lend itself to compaction into anything but Kill, except that if Kilo-

gram becomes Klog, maybe we purists can usurp Kilo for a mileage measure?

JILL EVANS,
SALT SPRING

Graded system

Re: rising ferry fares, there needs to be a graded system for fares. Tradespeople and those transporting goods should have a lower fare. All others pay more.

I see a big percentage of users are single occupants. There is public transit and car pooling. Foot passengers should not be charged the extra fuel charge. We take up much less space and weight compared to automobiles and are not contributing carbon emissions.

B.C. Transit and B.C. Ferries need to coordinate schedules to meet foot pas-

sengers and provide express service into major centres. We do not contribute to traffic congestion nor do we contribute to the need for road maintenance which costs taxpayers a huge amount.

And on a final note, solar-powered ferries do exist in this world.

MYNA LEE JOHNSTONE,
LOWER GANGES ROAD

Peace

Two years ago as part of our Hiroshima Day commemoration, the Salt Spring Island Raging Grannies sent a letter to each member of Parliament asking her/him to support the establishment of a Department of Peace for Canada.

We are pleased to see an article in the current issue of the Canadian Peace Magazine entitled Preparing for Peace, with an update on

the Campaign for a Dept. of Peace, a national organization which now has 10 chapters in Canada.

At a recent meeting of this organization held in Toronto and attended by over 250 people — including activists, youth and MPs, former senator Douglas Roche pointed out that it is critical to move humanity forward by creating a transition from the culture of war to the culture of peace and development. Party politics must be put aside to make the Dept. of Peace a reality.

Please join us at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6 in the Peace Park across from ArtSpring to sign a petition encouraging our government to establish a national Department of Peace for Canada. (In case of rain we'll meet at ArtSpring.)

SSI RAGING GRANNIES

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Overruling of Galiano bylaws causes shivers

All is not well on Galiano Island, and the problem portends ominous implications for Salt Spring and every other island under the guiding hands of the Islands Trust.

Let me say off the top that I am no expert on the murky infrastructure of the Islands Trust. To me, and to many other islanders, it is a system that is as incomprehensible as it is frustrating. Just when you think you have a handle on it, they pull another rabbit out of the hat. The latest rabbit comes courtesy of this Galiano Island debacle.

I won't go into details. Let's just say that the Galiano problem is a decades-long, contentious issue dealing with forest-zoned land use and the rights of those land owners to build homes on their properties.

Like Salt Spring Island, two locally elected trustees "chaired" by a third party govern Galiano on land-use matters. The chair is appointed by a cadre known as the "Trust Executive Committee." In Galiano's case, that honour belongs to one Gisele Rudischer from Gabriola Island, an island many kilometres and a bunch of ferry rides north of Galiano Island.

The above land situation is a thorny case, and somewhat herculean. The trustees doggedly soldiered through 350 public submissions about their proposed bylaws that would make residential use of the lands easier to achieve. A phenomenal 50 per cent of households offered an opinion (give or take a few that may have had multiple submissions).

Through countless hours of soul search-

ing, hand wringing and legal opinions, the trustees approved two bylaws that would go a long way to right the inequities of the existing state of affairs. Well, sort of approved two bylaws. The two locally elected trustees voted for them. The chairperson, Ms. Rudischer, did not.

You would assume rightly that in a democracy these bylaws would go forward by a count of two votes in favour, one against. That's "Democracy 101"... a healthy debate followed by an open vote leading to an informed decision based on the majority of votes.

Well, Buckwheat, that's not the way the world turns in the Islands Trust's universe. Ms. Rudischer from Gabriola and the other three members of the Islands Trust Executive Committee decided that they knew better than the two locally elected Galiano trustees. They vetoed the resolution.

Let me take a moment and go through the cast of players that make up this executive committee. Joining Ms. Rudischer is Gary Steeves from North Pender Island (population 2,000), Rose Willow from Lasqueti Island (pop. 359) and the chair of the Executive Committee, Kim Benson, is from Keats Island (pop. 50), which is in the Gambier Island Local Trust Area (pop. 313). This is the group that holds sway over Galiano Island. This is the group that holds sway



Peter Vincent

HEAD TO HEAD

over Salt Spring Island.

This is the tail wagging the dog.

How did we get here? How is it that Ms. Rudischer can wield so much power over a community so far removed from her own? How is it that Kim Benson from the Gambier Trust area has the ultimate authority over Salt Spring Island, an island with a population 30 times larger and a land mass triple the size, with three ferry terminals, three airlines and our own theatre playing the latest Batman movie? How did we get here? Or more importantly, how do we get out of here?

Could such a Galiano scene play out here on Salt Spring? You're damn right it could. Take the recent local case of an acre on Lee's Hill our local Trust committee (LTC) recently told the Agricultural Land Commission it had no objection to being removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). You would think that such an acre would be doubly protected — once provincially from the ALR and once from the Islands Trust's iron-clad "preserve and protect" mandate. To our LTC's credit, they took a look at this forlorn, isolated, unfarmable patch of earth and recommended that it be excluded from the ALR, thus paving the way for the owner to possibly subdivide. This is a classic case of locals being aware of the turf, knowing the back side of the story and coming to a decision based on common sense.

But let's press the fast forward button here. Kim Benson, or whoever the Islands Trust deems to be the Salt Spring LTC chair, could just as easily wait for the piece of land to go through a rezoning process, which could be passed by a two-to-one trustees vote with the chair dissenting, as happened on Galiano. As the Galiano travesty has taught us, all the due diligence in the world can be thrown under the wheels of the bus should "the chair" decide.

So tell me, exactly what power do our elected trustees have over our island? There are many other storms on the horizon — the Slegg Lumber rezoning and the Salt Spring Marina expansion, to name a couple. Keep your powder dry.

The two elected trustees on Galiano Island are not ready to throw in the towel quite yet. They have requested that the issue be brought in front of the entire 26-member Trust Council for the final decision. That meeting (open to the public, if you can afford the time off work and the ferry fares), happens in Sidney on Aug. 13 and 14. Given the way the Islands Trust circles the wagons on these issues, I would be shocked if the final vote was not 24 to two against, the two being the hapless couple of Galiano trustees who did all that work for nothing.

Don't ever think that the same scenario could not play out right here on our own little island.

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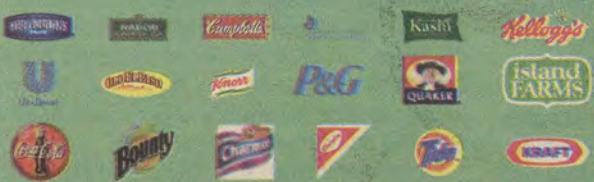
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Sandy service

Mary and I moved to Salt Spring a few months ago. We are delighted by all that we see.

One of the bonuses we had not expected was swimming in St. Mary Lake. We are fortunate to live close by.

I have been watching out for some form of acknowledgement in the Driftwood for the good Samaritan who has cleaned up and deposited a load of sand on the beach at the north-east end of the lake. I have seen none. I understand this happens most years.

I just want to say "thank you." You are providing a wonderful service which is hugely appreciated by the many families who use the beach.

PETER GROVE,
SALT SPRING

Letter to Americans

This is an open letter to Americans living on Salt Spring Island.

If you file U.S. income tax returns you may be getting a cheque soon from the U.S. Treasury. From his deep understanding of the world President George Bush has decided that Americans need to buy more stuff. Because we don't have much budget flex these days, he is sending money to us.

Idealists might tear up the cheques and return the pieces. Bravo! Still, I see this as a chance to oppose President Bush by using his own money. (Yes, I know it was ours, but he's got it now.)

For example, if you hap-

pen to think well of Earth as a place to call home, you've long since realized that President Bush is incorrigibly anti-environment.

There's your target: do something green with your Economic Stimulus payment. Buy two unicycles. Put a triple-glazed window in your den.

Or, to get more leverage, donate it to a group whose work for the environment you like. That guarantees that the first and biggest impact of your money will be to save wildlife habitat, teach kids about nature, improve land and water stewardship, or accomplish any of a dozen other priority conservation tasks.

And think about donating locally. There are hundreds of tax-deductible non-profits doing good and green things all over the world — thank goodness! But there are fine ones here, too, and your local gift will strengthen community in the place you love best: home.

Beat Bush with his own buck!

BOB WEEDEN,
PRIMROSE LANE

Source?

All the recent buzz about electric vehicles is great, although there's one thing we should consider.

But first, let's look at the good news.

Oak Bay's July 21 decision to allow electric vehicles on its roads seems to bring us closer to an environmentally friendly future. Other B.C. municipalities are showing similar interest. Québec has just begun a province-wide pilot project while other countries and some 44 American states already allow electric cars on their roads.

Electric vehicles can run

on a penny or so per kilometre. They have no tailpipe emissions, no noise and require low maintenance. Everyone from do-it-yourselfers and innovative entrepreneurs to the industry's traditional manufacturers are competing with new ideas and new models. Future developments promise a lower purchase price as well as greater speed and longer distances between recharging, making the vehicles more realistic outside urban areas.

Furthermore, what seems promising for cars has proven itself with trains, as Europe's electrified railways have long shown.

Glen Fisher, an expert in railway line electrification, has presented a research paper to Transport Canada with practical suggestions for converting Canada's railways to electric. Among other benefits, he says, that would save over 2 billion litres of diesel a year.

So far, so good. But where would all that electricity come from?

Just to meet current needs, B.C. imports about 15 per cent of its electricity from gas and coal-fired sources that are notorious for their greenhouse gas emissions. Even if we conserve, BC Hydro predicts we'll need up to 45 per cent more electricity over the next 20 years. And that estimate doesn't even account for increased demand from electric vehicles.

So unless we develop new sources of clean electricity, electric vehicles will just substitute one fossil fuel for another.

GENE VICKERS,
CO-SPOKESPERSON, B.C. CITIZENS FOR GREEN ENERGY,
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Michael Ableman is seen at the open house he hosted Sunday at Foxglove Farm on Mount Maxwell Road.

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Idiosyncratic choice

Gwynne Dyer? You're reprinting Gwynne Dyer [July 23 Driftwood]?

The notation at the bottom of the column indicates that he is published in 45 countries. By whom? Discredited in mainstream media, Dyer has been picked up by such usually reliable sources of information as Arab News and Al Jazeera.

Should we see your idiosyncratic choice of a Gwynne Dyer column as reflecting the Driftwood's editorial views?

Shouldn't you stick to subjects you know something about, like bake sales and whose cow is calving?

MICHAEL FRIEDMAN,
SALT SPRING

Troublesome plan for Russell Island

We were alarmed to learn that the caretakers of Russell Island will soon be evicted but that Parks Canada/Gulf Islands National Park Reserve administrators have no plan in place for the island's protection.

When Judith Andersen sold Russell Island to the provincial and federal governments in 1997, she was assured that the property would be protected. An Offer to Purchase letter from the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Park, dated March 5, 1997 states "Russell Island certainly has historical value . . . To ensure the safekeeping of Russell Island and improvements, the Province will position a caretaker to take up residence concurrently with your

vacant possession."

This small Gulf Island is known for its sheltered waters, shell beaches, unique ecology, and beautiful trails, but as its steward, Parks Canada, noted in 2000 in a document entitled A Conceptual Plan for a New National Park Reserve in the Southern Gulf Islands, Russell Island is also an important provincial and national heritage site: "Russell Island . . . offers a little known fact about the land-use history in the Gulf Islands, i.e., the arrival and settlement by Hawaiians in the late 1800s."

Known as Kanakas, they settled on several islands, including Portland, Russell, and Salt Spring, with Russell being settled as early as 1886. The old house and orchard on Russell date from about 1906; this is one of the few original Kanaka homesteads remaining in the Gulf Islands.

The original homestead belonged to Maria Mahoi, a Kanaka/Metis pioneer who was profiled by noted B.C. historian Jean Barman in her book, Maria Mahoi of the Islands (New Star Books).

When we brought our concerns to the attention of Ron Hamilton, superintendent of Gulf Islands National Park Reserve, we were told only that Parks Canada is in the early stages of formulating a plan for Russell Island.

The fact that Parks Canada plans to evict the current caretakers prior to the implementation of any such plan is troublesome and negligent.

We strongly urge Parks Canada staff to hold a public meeting on Salt Spring Island to share their plans for Russell Island before making any changes to its management.

Given Russell Island's close proximity to major settlements on Salt Spring Island and the Saanich Peninsula, it would be virtually impossible,

without a full-time, live-in caretaker, to ensure the safety of this valuable Canadian heritage property.

KAREN PEDERSEN, FOR
FRIENDS OF RUSSELL ISLAND

Poor treatment

The Islands Trust makes me furious! I am referring to the treatment of John Quesnel and his metal recycling business on Rainbow Road.

He has landscaped and fenced his property (which is under the power lines anyway) and it is not visible to the public eye. John Quesnel is a good guy, trying to raise a family and deserves our respect.

The Islands Trust on the other hand, needs a good kick in the ass at election time!

PETER RAMSEY,
TRINCOMALI HEIGHTS

Die laughing

I have decided that when it is time for me to leave Salt Spring, I would like to die laughing! In order to facilitate this, I would need to have Arvid and Sid do their best routines "in house."

Before that time however, why don't they give us all a reprise of their best routines? To be included for sure are:

- Building Inspector (Reid Collins) calls in Roman householder in order to inspect his house in Vesuvius (in Latin).
- Paradise Lots.
- The Monologues (scrotum in particular).
- Swami (complete with yoga positions).

Any chance of this, do you think? We will be lining up to fill the seats, as is usual.

DIANNE PARSONS,
SALT SPRING

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Bridge against Trust policy

Recent discussions regarding the relative monetary costs and benefits of ferries vs. bridges have revolved around using the Gulf Islands as potential "stepping stones" in order to meet certain perceived short-term and expedient transportation needs.

The Gulf Islands in the Strait of Georgia and Howe Sound are

internationally recognized for their beauty, tranquility, and unique natural environment. It's no secret that insatiable demands for increased development resulting from the islands' proximity to the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island could easily destroy the very values and features that make these fragile and finite islands a national treasure.

In 1974, in response to recommendations of an International Joint Commission and an all-party special committee of the legislature, the government of B.C. enacted special legislation to pro-

tect the islands. The Islands Trust Act establishes the Islands Trust as an autonomous local government with jurisdiction for land use and community planning on the 13 major and more than 450 smaller islands that are within the Islands Trust Area.

The act also gives the Islands Trust a conservation-oriented object to "preserve and protect the Trust area and its unique amenities and environment," not just for residents but for current and future generations of British Columbians.

Together, the 26 elected mem-

bers of the Islands Trust Council are responsible for adopting a policy framework designed to achieve the legislated object and requirements of the Islands Trust Act.

The Islands Trust Policy Statement is the result of an extensive public consultation process.

Its goals and policies reflect the shared values and concerns of the public and the Islands Trust regarding the preservation and protection of the islands in the Trust Area.

"It is Trust Council's policy that no island in the Trust Area should be connected to Vancouver Island,

the mainland or another island by a bridge or tunnel, notwithstanding the existing bridge between North and South Pender Islands," states Islands Trust Council Policy Statement Bylaw, 1993, policy 5.3.2.

To understand the long-term implications of what can happen when an island becomes accessible by bridge, one has only to be reminded that Manhattan (comparable in size to Gabriola, Galiano, Denman and Bowen) is an island accessible by bridge.

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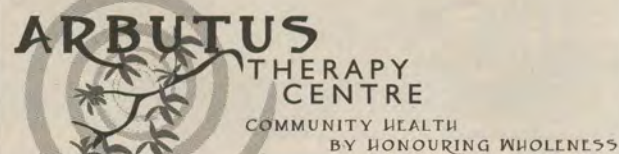
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Rants

A thousand blighted, black roses, to the nincompoops who allowed domestic rabbits to escape, or which were deliberately let free in the Monteith Road area. So far the bunnies have eaten one row of bush beans, as far as they could reach up the scarlet runner beans, two rows of garden peas, all of the carnations, and anything else that took their fancy in our garden. My thoughts are running to a succulent casserole of rabbit ragout as a suitable fate for the bunnies. My thoughts toward the former owners of the little pests are much less appetizing. Local residents Lorraine and Terry Norfolk

To whoever defaced logs at the Indian Reserve with offensive graffiti: This is beautiful sacred First Nations land that we are allowed the privilege of walking on. If you can't respect the land, then stay away. W. Cutler

Roses

SOLID would like to give a large bouquet of roses to Elizabeth Wikel, Bill Nash and all the volunteers who helped with the garage sale. With much appreciation from the SOLID board of directors.

Big bouquet of waterlilies to Doug Archer for miraculously retrieving my beloved ancient Swiss army knife from a murky lake bottom, using a magnet, no less, and patience. Will be using the corkscrew attachment to celebrate! AMF

A huge golf ball bucket of roses to Pat Low, Pat Lavender, Susan Russell, Karen Davies, Franki Johnstone, Joanna Barrett, Linda Woodley, Cheri Cornachione, Verity McKenzie, Deb Hamilton, Mona Coulter, Marg Cade, Darlene Wellington, Maureen Rowell, Tricia Simpson,

all the staff at the pro shop for all the time, effort, creativity and dedication to make this year's Golf for the Cure an exceptional event. Your efforts on behalf of all the players who enjoyed the day helped raise over \$2,000 to fight cancer. To each of you, a hole-in-one and no three putts!

A path strewn with roses for Brenda Guiled who is working to improve south-end beach accesses. Sylvia S.

From the Sims-Stark family, a million thanks for help with our reunion to GVM, Helen Tzagarakis and Ken Smith; Big Bear Rental, John Ellacott; Royal LePage Realty, Russ Crouse; Gail and Patrick Beattie; Marilynne and Alan Cunningham; Pastor Andre Antipov and the Bethel Pentecostal Church; Harbour House Hotel, Susan Cassidy, David Carey and chef John Cox; Driftwood; Lyndsay and David Mundy; Rental Stop, Bruce Osborne; Thrifty Foods deli; Dave and Lori Davies; Robin and Patricia Fisher; John Moore, Norris Clement and Dave Roland.

SOLID would like to send roses to Embe Bakery for the donation of cookies and we thank all who attended our AGM.

Thanks to Gay, Wayne, Karen, Barbara and the rant printed in last week's Driftwood, our missing canoe has been found and is back home. JL

A big armful of water lilies to the nice people at the credit union who found my briefcase in the creek and returned it to me with all contents intact, plus a few small fish. It had been stolen from my vehicle downtown several evenings before. The moral of the story is we can't assume that the ills of the world don't happen among us, even on Salt Spring, so

locking cars is a good idea. The other moral is it pays to bank at Island Savings. George Sipos

Dozens of lovely roses for Nick of Mid Isle Marine, who found my wallet and kept it safe for me. You're my hero! Cindy

A basketful of cedar roses to Windsor Plywood, Thrifty's, GVM, The Local, Natureworks, Salt Spring Cheese and the ArtCraft team for sponsoring the Basketry Guild's 10th anniversary showcase at ArtCraft. Your generous support is very much appreciated. The Basketry Guild

Dozens of roses and many thanks from the Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary Society to all our volunteers, donors and customers for a very successful treasure fair flea market on Saturday, July 19 at ArtSpring. We raised \$2,340.80, all of which goes toward the comfort and care of the patients at the hospital, Greenwood and Braehaven. Thank you all again. The Thrift Shop

Bouquets of red and pink roses for Jennifer and Dorothy for their hard work organizing the flea market in the meadow. JW

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A huge bouquet of Edelweiss to the 50 intrepid music lovers who made the trek to the summit of Mount Maxwell last Wednesday to hear the first Salt Spring Chamber Music Festival. It was a wonderful evening of views and fine cello and string quartet music. The students really appreciated the interest and careful attention. We'll do it again next year. David Visentin

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OPINION

Trust executive decision hits a slippery slope

BY KIMBERLY LINEGER

After following the forest lot issue on Galiano for a number of years now, I have to admit I am confused by the actions of the Islands Trust Executive Committee (ITEC) members, who have, for the "first" time in Islands Trust history, turned down proposed amendments to an island's official community plan (OCP).

For years, local Trust committees (LTCs) have been sending their bylaws, land-use bylaw and OCP amendments to the Trust's legal counsel for opinions on their consistency with the Trust mandate, policies and objectives. And for the same number of years, the ITEC has heeded this legal advice and approved the bylaws, land-use bylaw and OCP amendments that have been placed before them for consideration.

So why, now, a few months before an election, does the Trust executive decide to reject a LTC's OCP amendment, particularly when the amendment has been vetted by the Trust's own legal counsel and determined to be consistent with Trust policies?

If the ITEC isn't going to heed their lawyers' advice, maybe LTCs should forgo sending any future bylaws, land use bylaws or OCP amendments to legal counsel for vetting. Perhaps the ITEC should rely solely on their own personal biases and inconsistent interpretation of Trust policy.

I mean, why bother with this standard step in the legislative process?

Just think of the time and tax dollars that would be saved if we cut that one little step out of the process.

All kidding aside, what is an LTC supposed to do after it has engaged in a proper public legislative process; and, after careful due diligence, ensured proposed OCP amendments are consistent with Trust policies; and, after having had staff dot all the I's and cross all the T's in the proposed changes; and, after having sought appropriate legal advice from lawyers who have dealt with, and are experienced in, Islands Trust policy matters for years; and, after having only then forwarded their proposed OCP amendments to the ITEC, to have the executive turn down their bylaws based on the executive's own personal political agenda—which appar-

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driven by a vocal group of dissenters, which represented a minority opinion in the last election?

I can understand the Trust Executive's concern regarding removing authority for regulating forestry management activities out of the hands of the LTC through its local land use bylaw and OCP and into those of the Province under the Private Managed Forest Lands Act, particularly when the Province does not have a very good track record of putting Trust policies before their own. So why not just say this?

It is important to note here, that provincial legislation is not required to be consistent with the Islands Trust mandate, policies or objectives, and therein lies the rub.

If the ITEC is concerned about how a particular provincial policy or piece of legislation will infringe on Trust policies, it is imperative then that they say this rather than undermining the work of an LTC.

Why go down this slippery slope? It is important in these matters that the ITEC be impartial and provide an objective review of proposed bylaws, land use bylaws and OCP amendments.

In light of the above, I hope that Islands Trust Council members will, on August 13-14, carefully consider the resulting potential ramifications to any future proposed changes to their communities' OCP's or land use bylaws, should they decide to side with the ITEC's decision.

In addition, should both ITEC and Trust Council final decisions be challenged in the courts, more taxpayer dollars will be flushed down the drain. And, given the ITEC's recent decision to ignore the legal advice given to the Galiano LTC, I suppose they will be required to find a new law firm to argue against their existing law firm's opinion.

Or, perhaps this could result in another Islands Trust "first" — where an LTC (a corporate body), based on their received legal opinion, actually sues the Islands Trust Council (a corporate body), represented by the ITEC, for breach of fiduciary duty.

Regardless of the outcome, it will take more than a local election to repair the animosity this has created between the ITEC and the Galiano LTC.

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

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By invitation, her installations and environmental insertions have ranged even farther afield: to the United States and to Europe. She has received numerous awards from B.C. and from the Canada Council. Alone and with others she has used her art and her knowledge of the natural world to address environmental and political issues.

Although she has performed and documented installations on our beaches, in our lakes, and our public parks, an exhibit opening Sunday, Aug. 3 at The Point Gallery called Being Here — a response to Salt Spring Island — is Thompson's first solo show in a gallery on her island home since 1990.

Her work has used materials as ephemeral as flower petals and falling leaves, as ancient and monumental as glaciated boulders.

According to The Point Gallery, the Being Here installation involves all facets of her work.

"Found objects from our beaches represent a lifetime of looking, small porcelain forms show her love of materials and the handmade, photographs document the beauty of nature temporarily re-arranged. As in all her work she makes us look again and acknowledge the wonder of all that surrounds us."

A general artist's statement from an earlier work reads akin to a philosophy for life:

"The silence of stone, the pulse of waves, the powers of weather humble me. The very fact of other living beings, plant or animals, completely astounds me. How are we here, how is the world here? I want to fall on my knees. I want to try to understand these completely different life forms, slow down my world to the pace of a moth carefully washing its antennae. I believe all life is sacred, all beings are



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Diana Thompson with her artwork at The Point Gallery.

sacred and I want to treat this world with the greatest awareness of lives other than my own.

"In all my work, before anything else, my intention is to do no harm. The art is in the care, reverence and attention I give to all that surrounds me."

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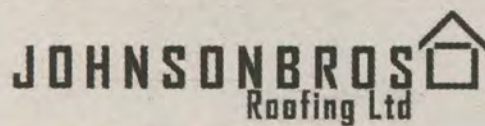
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LIVE THEATRE

Grace Jordan is Shirley Valentine

Show runs at ArtSpring on four dates in August

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Women of a certain age know — and love — the story of Shirley Valentine, the 40-something British housewife who comes alive during a magical trip to Greece.

The film version of the late 1980s remains popular, while the trope is timeless in its relevance — as evident in the recent success of Elizabeth Gilbert's memoir *Eat, Pray, Love*.

Salt Spring has the opportunity to meet its very own Shirley Valentine when the character is reprised by Grace (Sheila) Jordan at ArtSpring this August. Jordan has starred in the one-woman play during two previous summer runs, in 2004 and 2006. With each performance she delves deeper into the character, finding new insights she's excited to share.

Jordan first appeared as Shirley Valentine in a five-night run at the Morning Bay Vineyard on Pender Island. A filmmaker who had recently won a National Film Institute award for her script, Jordan had also acted in local productions since moving to the island.

When a man who hadn't directed for 40 years approached Jordan to appear as his ideal Shirley, she saw it as an opportunity to raise some money and make her award-winning script into a film.

The response to the first run was excellent; 750 people came out over five nights. Two years later, the owners of the vineyard asked Jordan to come back, which she did on the weekend



Grace Jordan as Shirley Valentine.

of her 40th birthday. The performance also went to Cherry Point Vineyards south of Duncan.

"I really wanted to take it on tour," Jordan recalled, "but then I wasn't at home and had to rely on the strength of my performance."

Even with an audience that didn't know her personally, the response was fantastic.

"I really deepened the role," said Jordan. "When you do a play more than once the trick is to make every moment real and truthful and not just do it by rote."

This year's reprisal will see Jordan taking on even more stops on the tour. Now a Salt Spring resident of one year, she'll return to her old home of Pender, and to Cherry Point, and go to Hornby

after Salt Spring.

Jordan is especially pleased to be appearing at ArtSpring, which she calls her favourite theatre.

"I've been coming to Salt Spring for eight years camping on my own — Ruckle is my own Greece — and whenever I come I make sure to go to ArtSpring. I love that theatre, it's the perfect size."

Jordan added that the theatre will allow her to be intimate even with a good-sized audience. Connecting with the audience is her specialty, in fact, which in a one-woman play is critical for success.

"Doing a two-hour monologue, a conversation with the audience is an unbelievable experience and a remarkable challenge for an actor," Jordan observed.

"It's really important for me to be able to look into people's eyes. We become best friends over the course of two hours."

Jordan's latest appearance as Shirley has a special significance: she'll be turning 42 during the tour, the same age as the character she plays. Each time she plays her, the insights are deeper, she says.

And despite the fact that the play is "hilariously funny," there are serious issues at its roots.

"It's a transformative play because it touches on some universal themes. Are we living the life we want to be living?"

Shirley Valentine will be at ArtSpring August 6, 7, 15 and 16. Morning Bay Vineyard from Pender Island will sell wine by the glass during the first weekend, and Salt Spring Vineyard on the second.

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Summer art feasts laid out

Painters and basketry guild members triumph

Two exhibit openings last Friday performed the task of showcasing Salt Spring's incredible variety of talented artists.

At Mahon Hall's ArtCraft, the stage gallery introduced Out on a Limb, its exhibition of basketry, while at ArtSpring the Salt Spring Painters' Guild filled all three galleries with new work.

Several contemporary island artists are expert at the ancient craft of weaving natural fibres into baskets. Their take on the production often includes a unique modern flair, incorporating unusual shapes or materials.

Denise McCann Bachman is an artist who normally weaves baskets for her own pleasure, and reportedly had to be strong-armed into attaching a price to her wares. The public appreciated the opportunity, however, snapping up designs such as her low, nesting baskets woven into Celtic knots which group together six strands at once.

Many of Bachman's baskets are made in willow, a stiff fibre that is usually left to men to try to bend. Bachman's Eco-friendly Shopper is a sassy bag-shaped basket with a bike tire handle; tire rubber is also woven into the design of the bag. A button heart centred in a cross shape adds a soft touch to the object.

Melanie Thompson is showing a range of functional items, including extremely appealing lamps. The design and construction seem simple, with upright grains woven into squares or ovals of wire mesh. The light bulbs are set at the base of



Painters' guild members Jacqueline Meredith and Margaret Threlfall at the ArtSpring guild show.



Elizabeth Nolan

ARTBEAT ON THE ROCK

the baskets, which opens above to a fluffy sheath.

Thompson achieves variety in using different grasses and fibres, such as one that alternates buckwheat, rye, and sumac leaf stems. Thin cross bands of copper or stainless steel also add to the modern appeal. She also has small coiled baskets made from kelp; one palm-sized version includes the dried bulb at its centre.

Judy Goodman's large, organic shapes employ local materials, such as a nautical-themed piece with arbutus branch, sea grass, jute, and smoked reed. Another basket that almost seems like a type of coracle, in two sections dissected by a bent

arbutus branch, includes iris leaves.

Over at ArtSpring, the Painters' Guild annual summer show uses the gallery space to full advantage, with 87 works on display. As usual, the guild is offering a painting as a viewers' choice prize in a draw for those submitting their top three favourites. This season the painting is On the Rocks by Bev Lillyman.

Another fun exercise is Caption the Cartoon, where viewers can win a guild membership by inventing a caption for Don Hodgins' painting called NEXT Question.

Styles and media for all tastes are customary at guild shows, where everyone can find something to enchant them. Always at the top of his game is Jack Avison, the guild's oldest member at 93. His delicate watercolours in shades of purple describe the local seascape in Island Image and Island Morning.

Wendy Shea employs watercolour in a very differ-

ent way with her vivid Casablanca Lilies. The close-up view of the open lilies captures delicate pollen and stamens and lush green leaves.

July by Deirdre Tessman has echoes of an Impressionist painting of the French countryside, but its colours and landscape are all home, capturing the Burgoyne Valley's burnt fields and shadowy hills in the background.

Duck Bay Reflections by Diane Mortensen in acrylic and mixed media is more abstract than most of the paintings on view, building up layers of texture and colour to resemble the reflections of trees and sky on the water.

Carole James also has a slightly abstract feel to her Fittings and Connections. James plays with shape and colour with her jumble of pipe fittings, contrasting copper and silver tones.

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What's On This Week

Wed. July 30

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Chamigos. Music & Munch recital of Latin music. All Saints. 12:10 p.m.
Black Velvet Band. Irish & island melodies. Tree House Cafe.
Harry Warner & Friends. Perform at Salt Spring Vineyards every Wednesday. 2-4 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Read All Over the Map. Summer Reading Club theme is Soak Up a Good Book. SS Library. 1-2 p.m.

Thurs. July 31

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Stephanie Rhodes. Untamed vocals at Tree House Cafe.
A Voce Sola. Bach on the Rock presents soprano Eva Bostrand. All Saints church. 7:30 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

34th Annual Family Yoga Retreat. Five-day retreat starts today. Salt Spring Centre of Yoga. Info/registration: 537-2326 or www.saltspringcentre.com.
The Creative Odyssey. Nine-session workshop series for anyone in a creating field begins today. Info: gillian@artbygillian.com; 250-537-5833.

Fri. August 1

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Oka. Australian world music band plays for Community Concerts By the Sea dance at Centennial Park for I-SEA benefit. 7 p.m.
Harry Warner & Friends. Perform at Salt Spring Vineyards every Friday. 2-4 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

House Party. With DJ Matt J at Shipstones. 8 p.m.
Planet Music. Original urban jazz at the Tree House Cafe.
The Islands Trust Story. Geezers and Friends comedy night at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Park Interpretive Program. Where's Garry? ... Oak Bingo. Ruckle Provincial Park. 7 p.m.
Anglican Salmon BBQ. Annual fundraiser at All Saints. 5:30-7 p.m.

Sat. August 2

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Fretwork. Gently rockin' on the blue side of jazz. Tree House Cafe.
Gary Preston Band. Blues and R&B at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.
The Islands Trust Story. Geezers and Friends comedy night at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Anglican Salmon BBQ. Annual fundraiser at All Saints. 5:30-7 p.m.
Park Interpretive Programs. A Treasure Chest of the Forest at 4 p.m. and Bats in Jeopardy at 7 p.m. Ruckle Provincial Park.
Alternatives to Addiction BBQ. Fundraiser at GVM. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Dad 'n' Me. All you can eat pancakes for dads and kids aged eight and under at Family Place. Saturdays, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Sun. August 3

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Fretwork. Gently rockin' on the blue side of jazz. Tree House Cafe.
The Sutcliffes. Beatles cover band at Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Anglican Salmon BBQ. Annual fundraiser at All Saints. 5:30-7 p.m.
Alternatives to Addiction BBQ. Fundraiser at GVM. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Park Interpretive Program. Tracking for Jerry's Rangers. (For kids & companions). Ruckle Provincial Park. 11:30 a.m.

Mon. August 4

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Tommy Hooper. Grapes of Wrath singer-songwriter at Tree House Cafe.
Eva Bostrand Masterclass Student Recital. All Saints church. 2:30 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Salty Yarners Knitting Group. Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month at Stitches. 7:30 p.m.
Organic Farm Stand. Behind the Harbour House Hotel. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tues. August 5

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage. With Tommy Hooper at Tree House Cafe.
Cuatroelemento. Argentinian folk-jazz quartet. ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Market in the Meadow. Tuesday farmers market at United Church meadow. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Children's Market. Kids sell their home-made/grown/baked products and play music Tuesdays outside at Fables Cottage. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wed. August 6

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Harry Warner & Friends. Perform at Salt Spring Vineyards every Wednesday. 2-4 p.m.
Alan Moberg. Award-winning West Coast balladeer and saltwater cowboy at Tree House Cafe.
Music & Munch. Singer-songwriter Elvira Clare performs well-known songs at All Saints. 12:10 p.m.
Shirley Valentine. Sheila Jordan performs in the Willy Russell comedy at ArtSpring. 7:30 p.m. (With wines from Morning Bay Vineyard.)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Hiroshima Day. Commemoration event with activities at Peace Park. 5 p.m.
Fitness for Families. Free every Wednesday program at Portlock Park. Bring a stroller. 10-11 a.m.
Read All Over the Map. Summer Reading Club theme is Stories of Fritz the Cinema Car with Louise Nye. SS Library. 1-2 p.m.

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EXHIBITIONS
 • **Salt Spring Painters' Guild Summer Show** runs at ArtSpring daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Aug. 4. Vote for the people's choice awards!
 • **Black & White** — the summer show at Morley Myers Gallery and Studio with work by Morley Myers and Kevin Steinke opens on Sat., Aug. 2 at 5-9 p.m.
 • **Point Gallery** on South Ridge Drive presents **Being Here**, an installation by Diana Lynn Thompson. Opening reception on Sun., Aug. 3 from 2-5 p.m. Show runs to Aug. 24.
 • **Lady X** returns to **Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art** with an exhibit of paintings called Mixed Emotions that opens Fri., Aug. 1 at 10 a.m.
 • **Out on a Limb** is the **Salt Spring Basketry Guild's** Showcase exhibit at ArtCraft at Mahon Hall until Aug. 6.
 • **Stefanie Denz** and **Martin Ebbens** show work at **Cafe Talia** on Hereford Avenue.
 • **Shera Street's** large acrylics inspired by Cuba and Machu Picchu, and her series called **Joy** are hanging at **Barb's Bakery & Bistro** through August.
 • **Bert Small** and **Don Hodgins** show work in the lobby at ArtSpring through July. Beulah Gordon exhibits through August.
 • **Salt Spring Potters Guild Tea Party Show** runs in Mark's Work Wearhouse windows until Aug. 15.
 • **Amy Melious** is the featured artist/photographer at the **Salt Spring Coffee Cafe** in Ganges.
 • **Jana's Bake Shop** features portrait photography by **Joanne Bealy** through August.
 • **The Family of Man**, a retrospective exhibit of monumental works by **Michael Dennis**, is presented by Salt Spring Woodworks and Hastings House. The group show at the **Hastings House** includes work by: **Michael Dennis, Kathy Venter, Ron Crawford, Michael Robb, Paul Burke, Peter Pierobon, David Jackson** and **Morley Myers**. The public sculpture trail is open with an entrance on Churchill Road from 9 a.m. to dusk.
 • **Salt Spring Woodworks** shows new studio furniture by **Michael Moore, Seth Rolland, Illyd Perkins**; and alluring zinc-clad contemporary furniture by new Salt Spring resident **Arno Kortschot**.
 • **Christine Crombie** shows oil pastel works at **Island Savings** until September.
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PARK CONCERT

Popular Australian band returns

I-SEA benefit first of summer concert series

Australian world music band Oka returns to the gazebo at Centennial Park Aug. 1 for a concert sponsored by and benefitting I-SEA, the Institute for Sustainability, Education and Action.

I-SEA is a non-profit group that has been supporting community sustainability projects for almost five years. The concert is designed to raise awareness about sustainability issues, with profits being used to fund community projects such as recycling in Centennial Park, educational workshops, internships and other fun events.

Salt Spring has shown great enthu-

siasm for Oka's sound at concerts for the past four years. Deeply rooted in their laid-back coastal lifestyle, Oka's unique, world-class sound has won them audiences all around the globe. Their huge underground following has been attributed to their blend of Australian and world sounds, roots, dub, reggae, jazz and organic electronica. Woven into their hypnotic percussive chill-out dance grooves, the Yidaki's (didgeridoo's) rhythmic pulse resonates a powerful ancient and tribal heartbeat. The woodwinds, saxophone and slide guitar inspire and lift one to higher ground as the music effortlessly transforms into a mystic soundscape.

Event coordinator Jacquie Harkema

hopes this will be the first in a series of benefit concerts in August, but is in search of other musical acts to perform in the following weeks.

Community Concerts in the Park is a by-donation event open to families and people of all ages.

Oka performs in the Centennial Park gazebo Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. with entry by donation. I-SEA will have a table of information available with lots of items for sale to help raise money and awareness.

To see current and future events and projects, visit the I-SEA website at www.i-sea.org. Contact Margery Moore, president, at 250-537-4400 or e-mail sustain@saltspring.com for more information.

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Acts 16: 30 & 31

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Her CD, Daybreak in My Soul, has been highly acclaimed as a "deeply inspiring offering" in which her own songs speak to the way of transformation.

She has been a student and proponent of East/West interfaith exchange and study and was the co-founder of a multi-faith contemplative group called The Forest of Peace Community, which was established and ran on Salt Spring until recently.

"The many years she spent as a contemplative are reflected in her quiet yet powerful presence," notes press material.

Accompanying herself on the guitar, Wednesday's program will be a nostalgic journey, with a tribute to the singers and songwriters who inspired Clare's own compositions.

"These well-loved songs include the traditional Scarborough Fair and the deeply moving spiritual Motherless Child. For many audience members it will be hard to resist joining in with such timeless ballads as John Denver's Leaving on a Jet Plane and the lovely Blowing in the Wind by Bob Dylan.

"With a small touch of one of her own songs, the recital will be an opportunity to relax in the reflective ambience of All Saints before revving up for the Sixth Annual Flower Festival which takes place the following week."

Free music begins at 12:10 p.m. followed by a delicious optional lunch for \$5.50.

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TELL US IN 50 WORDS OR LESS:
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Deadline to enter is 4:30 p.m., Friday, August 30th.

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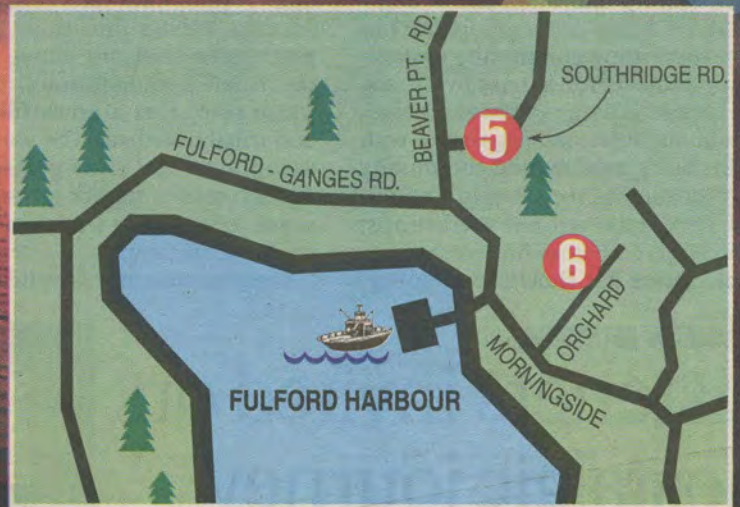
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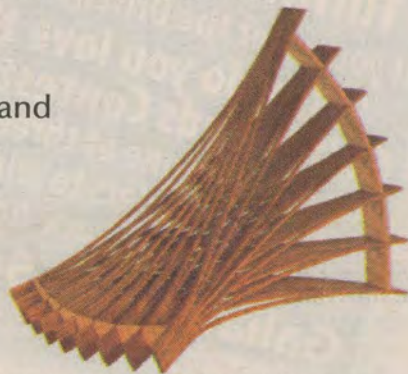
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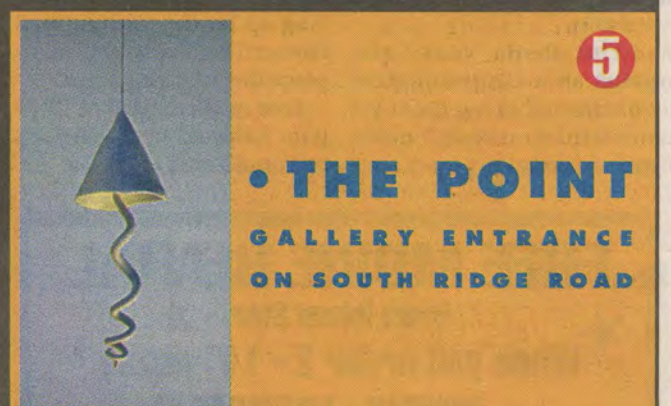
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GALLERY EXHIBITION

Anonymous painter returns with new show at Pegasus

'Lady X' responds to demand for further paintings

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Almost two years ago, the local art world was floored by the success of an unknown artist working quietly in their midst for decades.

Pegasus gallery owner Ian Sigvaldason, who discovered the body of work by accident, recalls getting goose bumps when he first saw the paintings of the woman he named Lady X.

Collectors agreed: almost half the show was sold before the doors ever opened, and the rest sold quickly during the first day.

"It's interesting how many people did show up for that show in the middle of November, and since then so many people have inquired when another show would be coming up,"

Sigvaldason said.

The mystery of her identity is only a small part of why people are so enthusiastic about Lady X's work. Sigvaldason explained that the woman has been working in solitude for 40 to 50 years, fine-tuning a craft that she never realized she excelled at. It took the gallery owner much convincing to have her show her work to the public.

Having painted for so long without considering an audience has lent Lady X's work an unusual air of truth and passion, Sigvaldason said.

"The art works by Lady X really have to be seen in person in order to pick up on the rich oil colours, thick texture overlays and the many tiny hidden details such as wine glasses, ducks and apples."

She creates a dreamlike world of colour with thick applications of oil paint and gesso. Her style is fresh yet

sophisticated, with diverse influences such as Chagall, Picasso and Kahlo, yet is entirely her own.

"Her style hasn't changed [from the first show]," Sigvaldason reported. "She still has a lot of things she's working through, and we chose paintings where she isn't holding anything back."

An advantage for collectors is the very reasonable price attached to such high-quality art: without a bankable name, Lady X paintings start at \$700 to \$800 unframed and go up to \$2,000 framed.

With many disappointed clients last time around, pre-sales have been eliminated for this show.

"This time it will be first come, first serve, to give everyone a fair chance," Sigvaldason noted.

The Lady X exhibit begins Friday, Aug. 1, at 10 a.m. Paintings will be on exhibit for at least one week.

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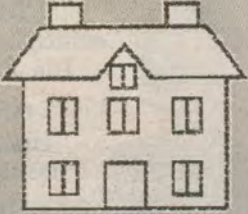
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Cuartoelemento brings South American folk-jazz sound to Salt Spring

ArtSpring's August music series gets rolling on Tuesday, Aug. 5 with an appearance by the Argentinean folk-jazz group Cuartoelemento.

Known for their spontaneous and improvisational style and uniquely Argentinean sound, Cuartoelemento have become popular live performers in their home country, frequently appearing at concert venues, auditoriums and theatres in Buenos Aires, as well as performing at the Buenos Aires International Jazz Festival in 2004, The El Bolsón Jazz Festival in 2005 and the third Meeting of Popular Musicians of Rosario in 2006.

The quartet consist of musicians playing flutes, guitar, bass and percussion.

Cuartoelemento's vast repertoire

WHAT'S ON AT ARTSPRING

includes original compositions from group members Nestor Gomez and Horacio Lopez, and the works of artists such as Astor Piazzolla, "Cuchi" Leguizamon, Atahualpa Yupanqui, Fortunato Juárez, Ramón Navarro, Félix Palorma, Charlie Haden, Bireli Lagrene, Richard Galliano, Chango Nieto, Joao Bosco, Luis Bonfa, Don Sebesky and Armando Manzanero.

The group's inaugural album won the 2006 Argentinean "Carlos Gardel" award in the category of Tangos — New Forms.

ArtSpring's summer series carries on with two more South American groups: The Adrian Iaies Trio, featuring one of South America's leading jazz pianists,

on Saturday, Aug. 9, and with Brazilian guitar sensation Yamandu Costa appearing on Tuesday, Aug. 12.

All three of these performing groups are making special trips to Salt Spring after their appearances at Festival Vancouver, with Adrian Iaies' visit being sponsored by Windsor Plywood through the Spectacular Music B.C. series.

A little later in August, on Thursday, Aug. 14, ArtSpring hosts the Alcan Quartet, one of Canada's most distinguished classical quartets, and ends the summer on Saturday, Aug. 23 with two bright young singer/songwriters from Britain, Celeste Lovick and Chris Ellis.

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"Many of my clients are new to fitness training and intimidated by the whole gym experience. I offer a private space where people can feel comfortable. It's awesome to watch people's confidence grow, and I believe that fitness goals are attained faster in that positive state of mind."

Clients are shown how to operate the machines, maintain safe posture, and lift weights appropriate to their fitness level. Every program involves some level of weight training, even if the goal is weight-loss or improving the cardiovascular system. The main rule of thumb is 'balance' so a program integrating the three elements - nutrition, strength, and cardio - is paramount to success.

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Genevieve is a certified BCRPA personal trainer, which means that her education never ends. To stay certified and keep up with the current ideas, practices, and science regarding all areas of fitness, she is continually taking theoretical and practical training courses, as well as First Aid. Her chosen profession bodes well with the fact that health and fitness have always been a big part of her life, growing up in a 'macrobiotic' household. "It was my mother who gave me the first taste of how it feels to be healthy, and now I want to share that with others."

"My favourite part of being a fitness trainer is watching people reach their goals. The transformation that happens is so exciting! No matter what these goals are (more strength, flexibility, confidence, stronger heart, etc.) they don't just change your body. I believe striving and achieving these goals changes your life."

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WEDNESDAY JULY 30

5 PM	:00	The Simpsons	Pieds dans la marge	Timothy (10) Mama M	(4:30) ATP Tennis Rogers Cup - Women's	CHEK News	7th Heaven An Early Fall	Early News	CTV News at Five	Punjab Times	A-Channel News	The Ellen Degeneres Show	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	Fairly Odd Parents	(4:30) Poker After Dark
	:30	Arrested Development	Pyramide	(35) Arthur	Day Three (Live)			Global National		Phoenix World News			My Wife and Kids	The Simpsons	ABC World News					CBS Evening News	SpongeBob SquarePants
6	:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Heads Up		News	According to Jim	News	News			CityCooks	The King of Queens	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National		Drake & Josh	
	:30		Téléjournal Magazine	Popular Mech. (55) Minuscule			King of the Hill			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	The King of Queens	Family Guy		KING 5 News				iCarly	Sportsnet Connected
7	:00	Coronation Street	Des squelettes	Meerkat Manor	SportsCentre	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	eTalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: (Part 1 of 2)	Wheel of Fortune	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	Antarctic Mission	Entertainment Tonight	Malcolm in the Middle	Best Damn Sports Show Period
	:30	This Hour 22 Minutes	L'Épicerie	Undersea Explorer Fiji		The Insider	George Lopez	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Daughters-in-Law	Friends	Jeopardy	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Oregon Field Guide		The Insider	Prank Patrol	
8	:00	Little Mosque on the West	La petite séduction	Ancient Clues		Zoe Busiek: Wild Card	Coach Luthario	Big Brother (N)	Criminal Minds Damaged	Wife Swap	Make Me a Supermodel New Orleans	America's Next Top Model	Think You Can Dance 2 Dancers Voted Off	Wife Swap McGoldrick/ Noel	Baby Borrowers Teens: 'The Break Up'	Click & Clack (N)	News	Big Brother (N)	Fries With That?	Martial Arts World	
	:30	Sophie		Off the Record		Block Party	Growing Pains			Iranian Pop						Click & Clack Campaign			Futurama	Combat League	
9	:00	the fifth estate	Bons baisers de France	Voyages of Discovery James Cook	Boxing Wednesday Night Fights - Castillo vs. Lujan	Janice Dickinson Modeling Agency (N)	Darling Buds Cast Not Your Pearls Before Swine	NCIS in the Dark	So You Think You Can Dance Top 6 Perform (N)	Sabor Latino	Supernanny	Rock of Love 2 Going to Ex-tremes	Girlicious Kitchen Confrontation	So You Think You Can Dance Top 6 Perform (N)	Supernanny Dostal Family	Baby Borrowers (SF) (N)	Nova scienceNOW (N)	CBC News: The National	Criminal Minds Damaged	Prank Patrol	Ultimate Fighter 6
	:30																				
10	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	For King and Empire Hour of Darkness		True Hollywood Story Howie Mandel (N)	The Daily Diya	Crime Stories The Pictou Sadist	CSI: NY Commuted Sentences	Hola Que Tal	Law & Order Personae Non Grata	Entourage Dominated	Seinfeld The Raincoats	Seinfeld	Primetime: Crime (N)	Law & Order Personae Non Grata	Carrier Rites of Passage	Antarctic Mission	CSI: NY Commuted Sentences	Falcon Beach	Sportsnet Connected
	:30																				
11	:00	News / (05) The Hour	Le Téléjournal	Yo-Yo Ma The Sound of the Carceri		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Reviews on the Run	Frasier	Family Guy	News	News	Hawaiian Monk Seals:	CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
	:30		Des kiwis et des hommes																(35) David Letterman	Ghost Trackers	
12 MID	:00	(05) Arrested		Return of S. Holmes Wisteria Lodge	ATP Tennis Masters Series	Chelsea Lately (N)	Hairloss Solutions	(05) Ent. Tonight	(05) The Daily Show	Jai Fiji	Show With Jay Leno	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	MontyPython's Best Terry Gilliam's Personal Best	The Hour	(N)	Futurama	Ultimate Fighter 6	
	:30	(35) Hour 22 Mins				(35) Late, Late Show	PR Maxx	(35) E.T. Canada	(35) Colbert Report (N)	Caribbean Beat	(35) Conan O'Brien		South Park	M*A*S*H	(35) Conan O'Brien (N)			(35) Late, Late Show	Malcolm in the Middle		

THURSDAY JULY 31

5 PM	:00	The Simpsons	Match!	Timothy (10) Mama M	(4:00) CFL Football - B.C. vs. Hamilton vs. Montreal	CHEK News	7th Heaven	Early News	CTV News at Five	Punjab Times	A-Channel News	The Ellen Degeneres Show	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	Fairly Odd Parents	(4:30) Poker After Dark
	:30	Arrested S.O.B.s	Pyramide	(35) Arthur	(Live)			Global National		Phoenix World News			My Wife and Kids	The Simpsons	ABC World News					CBS Evening News	SpongeBob SquarePants
6	:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Mentors (-25) Tommy		News	According to Jim	News	News			CityCooks	The King of Queens	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Drake & Josh	
	:30		La croisée des chemins	(35) Reach for the Top			King of the Hill			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	The King of Queens	Family Guy		KING 5 News				H2O: Just Add Water	Sportsnet Connected
7	:00	Coronation Street	Des squelettes	Profiles of Nature Meet The Weasels	CFL Football - B.C. vs. Edmonton (Live)	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	eTalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: (Part 2 of 2)	Wheel of Fortune	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	Wild China	Entertainment Tonight	Malcolm in the Middle	MLB Baseball - Arizona vs. L.A. Dodgers (Live)
	:30	Who Do You Think	La petite mosquée (N)			The Insider	George Lopez	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Daughters-in-Law	Friends	Jeopardy	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Ask This Old House		The Insider	Prank Patrol Living Dolls	
8	:00	iPod The Hero's Journey	Perdus Les six du vol Océanic (N)	Big Ideas for Design: E2		Greatest American Dog	Coach Dirty Tricks	Last Comic Standing (N)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Meet Market	What's in Vancouver? Main Office	Don't Forget the Lyrics Celebrity Edition	Ugly Betty Zero Worship	Smallville Traveler	Don't Forget the Lyrics Celebrity Edition	Ugly Betty Zero Worship	Last Comic Standing (N)	Nature Violent Hawaii	News	Greatest American Dog	Fries With That?	Futurama
	:30																				
9	:00	The Girls of Summer (N)	Bons baisers de France	Around the World in 80 Treasures Mali to Egypt		Final 24 JFK Jr.	Darling Buds of May		Think You Can Dance 2 Dancers Voted Off (N)	Dheeyan Ghar Sadabahar Naghmae	Grey's Anatomy (Part 1 of 2)	Supernatural Mystery Spot	Supernatural Mystery Spot	Think You Can Dance 2 Dancers Voted Off (N)	Grey's Anatomy (Part 1 of 2)	Nova Mystery of the Megavolcano	CBC News: The National	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Meet Market	Prank Patrol		
	:30																				
10	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	Art Made the World The Day Pictures Were Born	ATP Tennis Rogers Cup - Women's Day Four	Fear Itself Skin and Bones (N)	The Daily Diya	Flashpoint Asking for Flowers (N)	Flashpoint Asking for Flowers (N)	Mor Deo Koi	Stargate: SG-1 Stronghold	Hopkins (N) (Part 6 of 7)	Seinfeld The Butter Shave	Q-13 Fox News at Ten	Hopkins (N) (Part 6 of 7)	Fear Itself Skin and Bones (N)	Masterpiece Mystery! Foyle's War: All Clear	Wild China	Flashpoint Asking for Flowers (N)	Falcon Beach Tidal	Sportsnet Connected
	:30																				
11	:00	News / (05) The Hour	Le Téléjournal	For King and Empire Hour of Darkness		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Really Television	Frasier	Family Guy	News	News		CBC News: The National	News	Mystery Hunters	Sportsnet Connected
	:30		Des kiwis et des hommes																(35) David Letterman	Ghost Trackers	
12 MID	:00	(05) Arrested		The Return of Sherlock Holmes		Chelsea Lately (N)	Hairloss Solutions	(05) Ent. Tonight	(05) The Daily Show	Punjabi Vibes	Show With Jay Leno	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	Mexico: One Plate	The Hour	(N)	Futurama	Pratt & Taylor
	:30	(35) Can. Reflections				(35) Late, Late Show	PR Maxx	(35) E.T. Canada	(35) Colbert Report (N)	Desi Rhythms	(35) Conan O'Brien		South Park	M*A*S*H Payday	(35) Conan O'Brien (N)				(35) Late, Late Show	Malcolm in the Middle	

FRIDAY AUGUST 1

5 PM	:00	The Simpsons	L. McGuire Chère Lizzie	Timothy (15) Mama M	(4:00) CFL Football - Winnipeg vs. Toronto	CHEK News	7th Heaven Wasn't Expecting That!	Early News	CTV News at Five	Punjab Times	A-Channel News	The Ellen Degeneres Show	My Wife and Kids	Malcolm in the Middle	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Charlie Rose	The Hour	KIRO 7 News	Fairly Odd Parents	MLB Baseball - Toronto vs. Texas (Live)
	:30	Arrested Fakin' It	Pyramide	(35) Arthur	(Live)			Global National		Phoenix World News			My Wife and Kids	The Simpsons	ABC World News					CBS Evening News	SpongeBob SquarePants
6	:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Fetch! With Ruff Ruffman		News	According to Jim	News	News			CityCooks	The King of Queens	The Simpsons	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	The Next Star Searching the West	
	:30		400 fois Québec	Kratts' Creatures			King of the Hill			CTI News	Vancouver Report	CityNews International	The King of Queens	Family Guy		KING 5 News					
7	:00	Coronation Street	"Traduction infidèle"	Emily of New Moon Bred in the Bone	ATP Tennis Rogers Cup - Women's Quarter-finals	EI News	According to Jim	Entertainment Tonight	eTalk (N)	The Land	Degrassi: Next Gen.	Wheel of Fortune	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	Evening Magazine	Rick Steves' Europe	the fifth estate A Fight to the Death	Entertainment Tonight	"King of the Camp" (Mus, '08)	
	:30	Just for Laughs	★★★ (Com, '03) Bill Murray.			The Insider	George Lopez	Ent. Tonight Canada	Access Hollywood	Daughters-in-Law	Friends	Jeopardy	That '70s Show	Two and a Half Men	Jeopardy	Inside Edition	Conversations		The Insider		
8	:00	Air Farce Live		The Royal Fear of the Expected		Hollywood Mysteries	Coach About Face	Very Bad Men The	Ghost Whisperer Delia's First Ghost	Weekly News Forum	Jeff Ltd.	Biography Goldie Hawn	Friday Night Smackdown (N)	"The Fog" ★ (Hor, '05) Tom Welling.	"Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events" ★★ (Adv, '04) Jim Carrey.	KING 5 News An Anniversary Special	NOW	Washington Week	News	Ghost Whisperer Delia's First Ghost	Sportsnet Connected
	:30	Winnipeg Comedy Fest				Hollyw. Mysteries (N)	Grow. Pains (Part 2 of 2)	Deadly Messiah		CTS Night Club	Grand Star										
9	:00	MVP: Secret Lives The Code	Chapeau Mr. Cohen	Peking to Paris Beijing to Mongolia		Dr. 90210 Strip the Light Fandango	Islam 101	Num3rs The Art of Reckoning	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Here Comes Ajumma	"Her Fatal Flaw" ★★ (Susp, '06) Victoria Pratt.	Stargate: SG-1				Dateline NBC	Bill Moyers' Journal	CBC News: The National	Num3rs The Art of Reckoning	The Next Star Searching the West	Best Damn Sports Show Period
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10	:00	CBC News: The National	Le Téléjournal	Private/Masterpiece The Annunciation	Martial Arts WEC Wreckage 11 - Highlights	20/20 (N)	The Daily Diya	Friday Night Lights I Think We Should Have Sex	To Be Announced	Open Concert		The Collector The Watchmaker	Seinfeld The Couch	Q13 FOX News	20/20 (N)	"Dial M For Murder" ★★ (Thrill, '54) Grace Kelly.	the fifth estate A Fight to the Death	Swingtown Swingus Interruptus (N)	Falcon Beach Turn Card	Sportsnet Connected	
	:30																				
11	:00	News / (05) The Hour	Le Téléjournal	Perspectives Moscow Freestyle		News	It's a New Day	News	News	TV Patrol	News	Reviews on the Run	Frasier	Family Guy	News	News		CBC News: The National	News	15/ Love Reckoning	Sportsnet Connected
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12 MID	:00	(05) Arrested		The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes	USAC Golf U.S. Senior Open - 2nd Round	Chelsea Lately (N)	PR Maxx	(05) ECW Wrestling	(05) CSI: Miami Dead Air	Vancouver Masala	Show With Jay Leno	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	South Park	RENO 911!	(05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	Show With Jay Leno (N)	The Standard of Perfection Show Cattle	The Hour	(N)	Futurama	Ultimate Fighter 6
	:30	(35) Kenny vs. Spenny				(35) Late, Late Show	Paid Program			Music Bank	(35) Conan O'Brien		South Park Free Hat	M*A*S*H O.R.	(35) Conan O'Brien (N)			(35) Late, Late Show	Pinky & the Brain		

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SATURDAY AUGUST 2

5 PM	:00	(4:00) ATP Tennis Rogers Cup - Women's Semifinal (Live)	Québec depuis 1608 L'Épicerie	The Life of Mammals Opportunists	CFL Football - Saskatchewan vs. Calgary (Live)	CHEK News	World Vision	Family Guy	First Story Klabona	(4:30) Swiat Polskiej Wiadomosci	Star Trek: Voyager	The Best of Breakfast Television	Jeremiah Firewall	Raymond Moving Out According to Jim	KOMO 4 News	KING 5 News	Back Care Basics: Yoga for the Rest of Us	Antiques Roadshow Gloucester	KIRO 7 News	(4:00) "Zolar" (Adv. '04) Jordan Hoffart.	MLB Baseball - Toronto vs. Texas (Live)
	:30	Countdown to Beijing	Mr. Bean	World of Gardens	That News Show (N)	That News Show (N)	Paid Program	News	News	NTDTV Weekly	Bravo!Fact Presents	Speaker's Corner	That '70s Show	Friends	News	News	Elvis Lives: The 25th Anniversary Concert	Saturday Report	News	Prank Patrol	
6	:00	The Nature of Things	ATP Tennis Coupe Rogers - Demi-finale	National Geographic Wolf Pack	EI News Weekend	Jhanjara	Andromeda The Test	W-FIVE Presents Confessions of an Innocent Man	Entrepreneurial Leader	The New Canoe Island Weekend	Stargate Atlantis Common Ground	CSI: Miami Open Water	Two and a Half Men	Wheel of Fortune	NW Backroads	The Girls of Summer	Seafair Saturday Night	Storm Hawks			
	:30	"Wimbledon" (Rom. '04) Kirsten Dunst.	féminine (En direct)	Heartbeat Another Little Piece of My Heart	SportsCentre	"To Be Announced"	Mirchi TV	Largo Winch Rest and Relaxation	Innocent Man	Phoenix Gathering Satrang	Kool Countdown	The Murdoch Mysteries Power	The King of Queens	Cops	The Office	The Office Night Out	Saturday Report	The Unit Sub Conscious	Avatar	Sportsnet Connected	
7	:00	News	Le Téléjournal	Life Begins Maggie, Clare and Guy	SportsCentre	Guy Stuff J. Moore	Enigma	News	News	Bubble Gang	Star! at the Movies	Role That Changed	Cold Case Cargo	Mad TV	News	News	Rick Steves' Europe	Saturday Report	News	Shadow Raiders	Poker FulltiltPoker.net
	:30	"Drop Dead Gorgeous" (Com. '99) Kirsten Dunst.	ancêtres	La 25e heure" (Dra. '02) Edward Norton.	LPGA Golf Ricoh Women's British Open	Wild On	Jack Van Impe		(.05) MTV Live CSS	"Janwar" (Mus. '65) Shammi Kapoor.	"Die Hard: With a Vengeance" (Com/Dra. '04)	"Garden State" (Com/Dra. '04)	Cold Case The Good Death	Spike Feresten	Chappelle's Show	(.35) Girls B.Badly					
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SUNDAY AUGUST 3

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	:30	Heartland Ghost From the Past	[Parlie 3 de 6] Lafrique	National Geographic	Stunt Stars Alicia's Book (N)	Stunt Stars Alicia's Book (N)	Jozi-H	Renegade The Rez	Instant Star Mistake (N)	The Hills (SF)	America's Funniest Home Videos	Biography Patrick Dempsey	One Tree Hill What Do You Go Home To	"Til Death	America's Funniest Home Videos	Northanger Abbey	Masterpiece Theatre The Complete Jane Austen: Persuasion	"One Day in September" (Doc. '99)	60 Minutes	"The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants" (Adv. '05) Amber Tamblyn.	
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	:30	Arrested Family Ties	Pyramide	(.35) Arthur	Boxing HBO After Dark - Judah vs. Clotey	News	According to Jim	News	News	Phoenix World News	CityCooks	The King of Queens	The Simpsons	News	News	News	News	CBC News: The National	News	Drake & Josh	Sportsnet Connected
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ANIMAL WELFARE



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY
From left, Alexandra Barnes, Jena Peori and Audrey Pomeroy with SPCA kittens.

'Kitten season' stress tests local SPCA

Spaying/neutering message still needs to be heard

BY MEGHAN HOWCROFT
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

When stepping into Salt Spring Island's BCSPCA, islanders have to weave their way through a multitude of purring four-legged critters in order to get to the desk of their two-legged caretaker.

Shelter manager Jena Peori doesn't mind if visitors give some attention to these cats perched not in cages but on windowsills and in baskets, as it will buy her time to return a phone call or finish up any of the other countless tasks she is appointed with as the shelter's only employee.

"Everything is increased in the summer months," Peori said in a recent interview. "It's definitely the time of year that people have abandoned their animals because they've left." Not to mention that it's kitten season.

The Salt Spring branch of the SPCA takes in approximately 250 cats and kittens a year.

"I've seen 24 kittens brought in on one day," she said. "And they're not necessarily all healthy."

Every single kitten that

comes through the doors has to be checked, treated for fleas and worms, vaccinated, spayed or neutered, tattooed and have its weight bulked up before it can be matched with a home.

"You can imagine the amount of time that is spent on each kitten," Peori said, stroking a cat sitting in her lap.

Kittens also come with ID collars, a free vet visit and a free month of accident pet insurance.

The shelter, which is run entirely on donations and has about 30 volunteers, doesn't even recover the costs per kitten with its adoption fees and yet some people are surprised to find it costs anything at all to adopt, Peori said.

Something else islanders still need to learn is the importance of having their cats spayed or neutered. There are an estimated 55 million stray cats in North America and 51 per cent of the cats surrendered to the BCSPCA have not been spayed or neutered.

"People still don't get it," said Peori. "They're still letting their cats have a litter. And it's selfish. There's nothing educational or compassionate or loving about contributing to a social problem.

In fact, it's murder."

Because shelters up north deal with hundreds of kittens at one time, they need to transfer as many kittens to less populated shelters as they can. If these branches are full, this inevitably means not all kittens can survive.

"We can transfer more kittens into this shelter if we don't have so many coming in from right here on the island," Peori explained. "So, you're literally saving a life if you don't allow your cat to have a litter."

Even with this influx of animals, Peori still has to reject certain potential adopters at times. Part of her job is ensuring that animals are going to homes where the owners are financially and emotionally stable enough to care for them for their entire lives, through both health and sickness. Otherwise, the cat ends up back at the shelter.

If islanders find a stray or abandoned cat on their property, Peori asks that they call her before showing up with the cat at the shelter.

"You never know, it might belong to your new neighbour two houses over."

With a description of the cat, she can then vigilantly look through their lost and found for a match. Unfortunately, only about five to

10 per cent of cats are ever reunited with their owners, in her estimation.

"All I can say is 'ID your cat!' And if it goes missing, come and talk to me."

Right now the shelter has plenty of friendly adult cats and kittens available for adoption, including Brutus, the loving cat found with a ribbon grown into his neck, who's been waiting patiently to find a good home since October.

The moment the interview is finished, Peori is up, taking in a bundle of donated blankets before turning the shelter's sign to closed.

She will head home to the four kittens at her house, but not before stopping to drop off a carrier to an islander who plans to bring a new batch of kittens to the shelter, the moment the sign is turned to open.

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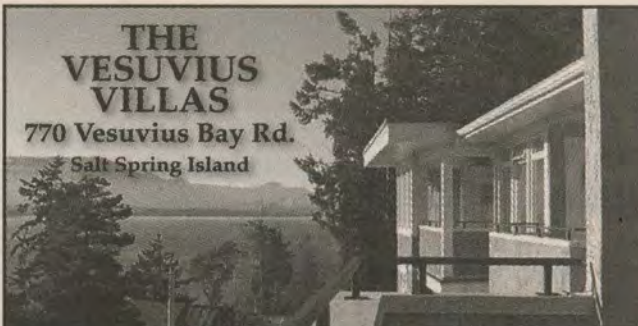
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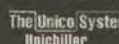
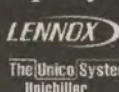
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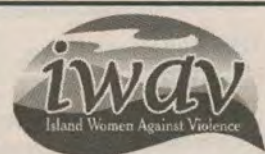
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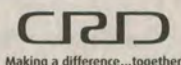
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ENDANGERED SPECIES

Threatened butterfly finds home here

People asked to keep eye out for brown dun skipper

BY JAMES MISKELLY
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

The dun skipper lives up to none of our expectations about butterflies.

It is not large or brightly coloured, having only short brown wings.

It does not flit gaily among gardens and flowery meadows, instead darting rapidly

around ditches, forest edges and wetland margins.

For the most part, it remains an unnoticed inhabitant of unremarkable spaces.

The dun skipper (*Euphyes vestris*) is found throughout central and eastern North America, including all the provinces from Saskatchewan to Nova Scotia. West of the Great Plains, however, it becomes patchy and uncommon. It is not found in Alberta, and B.C. populations are confined to the



Dun skipper butterfly: now found on Salt Spring.

lower Fraser River watershed, Vancouver Island and some Gulf Islands.

These western populations were listed as "threatened" by the Committee for the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada in 2000. They are now protected under the Species at Risk Act. In the last few years, dun skippers have been discovered on Salt Spring Island.

Dun skippers are small, moth-like butterflies with wingspans of about 2.5 cm. The wings are evenly brown, ranging from milk chocolate to dark chocolate. Females sometimes have a pair of small whitish spots on the wings, while males are immaculate brown.

Dun skippers may be in flight anytime from early June to early August, but are most frequently seen in July. They are rarely abundant and typically only one is seen at a time. They are associated with soft, fine leaved sedges (*Carex* species), on which the eggs are laid and the caterpillars feed. Adults sip nectar from purple or blue flowers, and are especially fond of self heal (*Prunella vulgaris*).

Any site that supports a stand of suitable sedges is potential dun skipper habitat, including roadside ditches and seasonally wet fields. Sometimes, these butterflies may be found around "micro wetlands" only a few metres wide that may be dry through much of the summer.

The major threat to dun skippers is the same as for most other species at risk:

habitat destruction.

Historically many wetlands were drained or filled for agriculture.

Today, wetlands continue to be destroyed for residential and commercial development. Remaining wetlands may be impacted by invasive plants, such as reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*).

This tall grass can form a dense monoculture around wetlands and in wet fields, outcompeting the sedges that the butterflies require.

The habitat of the dun skipper supports many other species at risk, including the western pondhawk dragonfly (*Erythemis collocata*), the red-legged frog (*Rana aurora*) and flowering Vancouver Island beggarticks (*Bidens amplissima*). These species all benefit from wetland protection. For landowners who have wetlands, caring for these species can be quite simple. Leave a small buffer around your wetland unmowed to allow the natural vegetation to grow.

And avoid the introduction of non-native plants and animals at all costs.

This year, the Salt Spring Island Conservancy is continuing its efforts to document the distribution of the dun skipper on the island. Anyone who sees a dun skipper on their property should call the conservancy at 250-538-0318.

The writer is a Victoria-based biologist who specializes in rare butterflies and their habitats.

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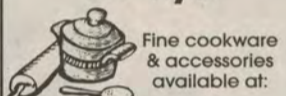
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Carrying on with a quarter-century tradition on Salt Spring, people are invited to participate in the annual Hiroshima Day commemoration.

The event starts at 5 p.m. at the Peace Park across from ArtSpring on Wednesday, Aug. 6.

Participants can contribute to a peace weaving and make peace flags, as well

as sign petitions and letters and find out more about the Japanese Peace Garden, which is being established in the park. The event offers people an opportunity to find out more about local peace-building efforts and features music with singer/songwriters Susan Cogan, Phil Vernon and Sue Newman, as well as the Raging Grannies with their sometimes humorous and always thought-provoking songs.

Participants are invited

to bring blankets or chairs to sit on, and flowers are always welcome too. In case of rain, ArtSpring has, once again, graciously agreed to allow us to use their lobby for the gathering.

This is a family-friendly event that remembers the horrors of war but focuses on what we can do as individuals and as a society to promote peace.

For more information, people can call Marg Simons at 653-4283 or Jan Slakov at 537-5251.

SENIORS CONFERENCE

Health, housing and income issues in focus at Sept. seniors conference

Gulf Islands residents among those invited to attend

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to stay at the conference centre will receive a special rate only if reservations are made prior to Aug. 15. Call 1-800-663-0299 to make reservations.

Seniors from across the province are invited to join a conference hosted by the Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of B.C. (COSCO).

Taking place Sept. 15 and 16 at the Richmond Hotel and Convention Centre, the conference takes on the topic "Seniors' Health, Housing and Income in a Global Age-Friendly Community."

According to registration material, COSCO is a seniors' advocacy group run entirely by volunteers dealing with the "health, social and economic well-being of elder citizens in the province." Their motto is "seniors helping seniors."

Speakers at the conference include Dr. Louise Plouffe of the World Health Organization and Dr. Michael Hayes from the Health Science Faculty of Simon Fraser University. Special workshops and panel discussions are also part of the program.

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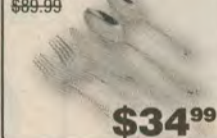
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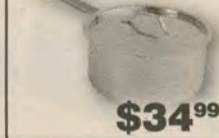
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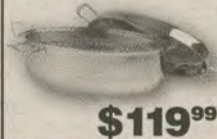
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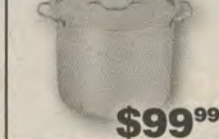
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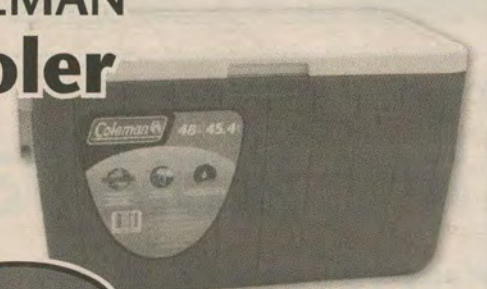
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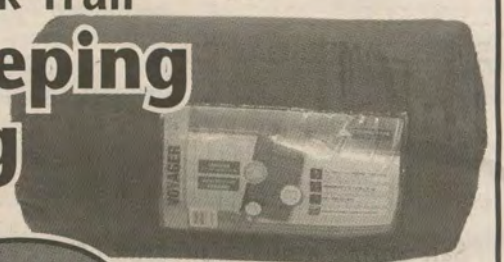
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DEMO: Mark Camps takes on Tomokai Koyabu shihan (teacher of teachers) at a Salt Spring Shorei-Kan Karate demonstration at Peace Park on Saturday. Looking on are Kai Kikuchi, Willem Burnaby, Atum Beckett and Obleo Demandre.

B.C. SUMMER GAMES

Locals challenge top B.C. athletes at games

Island sends seven

Salt Spring athletes squared off against the best in the province in a huge celebration of sport at the B.C. Summer Games held last weekend in Kelowna.

According to the Summer Games website, four island athletes and three coaches represented Salt Spring in track, soccer and basketball as part of the Vancouver Island-Central Coast Zone 6 team at the games, held last Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Zone 6 handily won the event, picking up a total of 137 medals (56 gold, 41 silver, 40 bronze) compared to the second place finisher, Fraser Valley, which won a total of 113 medals.

Grade 10 athletes Kevan Brown and

Grace Morgan competed in several track events, with Morgan just missing a bronze medal to take fourth place in the distance hurdles (49.04).

She also nailed seventh overall in the 100-metre sprint (13.32) and although she took third in her heat in the 80-m hurdles, did not make the finals in that event. Her 4X100-m relay team placed fourth.

Brown grabbed seventh overall in the 1,500-m distance run (4:29.86). Like Morgan, he narrowly missed finals with a third-place finish in his heat of the 800-m.

Grade 9 athlete Adrian Alonso's boys basketball team lost the bronze medal game 40-60, taking fourth overall. It was the same story for the girls soccer team, coached by Sue Spencer and assisted by local high school student Olivia Morgan.

The team lost the bronze medal match 1-4, also settling for fourth place.

The boys soccer team, featuring island U13 soccer player Lukas Wenzel, took fifth place.

"It was a really fun trip," said Lukas' dad Markus Wenzel.

Lukas, who played midfield on the Zone 6 B squad, got two goals during the tournament, including a game-tying goal in the final 10 minutes of a match against the Zone 6 A team.

The 1-1 tie put the game into a shoot-out, and Lukas' B squad emerged as the winner.

In addition to local coaches Spencer and Olivia Morgan, Salt Spring track coach Jim Proctor attended the Summer Games as part of the Zone 6 coaching staff.

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The public is invited to attend and an opportunity will be provided to ask questions and express views.

The Annual Report of B.C. Ferry Authority may be viewed at www.bcferryauthority.com and the Annual Report of British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. may be viewed at www.bcferries.com. Copies of the Annual Reports will also be available at the Annual General Meeting of the B.C. Ferry Authority and the Annual Public Meeting of British Columbia Ferry Services Inc.





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We want you, our readers to help us give a boost to Vancouver Island's Olympic contingent as it prepares to head off to Beijing for the Summer Games, Aug. 8-24.

For the next five weeks, the Driftwood, Black Press newspapers and Island Savings Credit Union, will publish special feature pages spotlighting Island athletes, teams and coaches in various sports.

After you read a little about what makes these dedicated, driven individuals and teams special, we ask that you take a moment to create your own well wishes to pass along.

Readers can participate in the Olympic Cheer program by sending their greetings via e-mail to olympiccheer@blackpress.ca, online at www.iscu.com or by dropping off written messages to the Driftwood or any branch of Island Savings Credit Union.

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For more information, please contact your local newspaper editor.

ROAD TO BEIJING

A celebration of our Olympic athletes

to victory Riding

Paralympian Karen Brain wouldn't let accident get in way of Olympic dream

Story by KIRA CURTIS

Karen Brain was at the highest level of riding, even representing Canada at the World Equestrian Games.

But one September day in 2001, her young horse became unpredictable, jumping up with such force that its body twisted and landed on Brain, breaking her back and leaving her paralyzed with a spinal cord injury.

The severity of the injury would be devastating to anyone, especially an elite athlete, but the Saanichton Olympian never felt sorry for herself.

She never blamed her young horse for throwing her so violently, she always knew it was a hazard of the job.

After all, horses are strong intelligent animals and known to have a mind of their own.

"For me, I always had to take

the responsibility when I got on a horse," Brain says.

"What my horse did was just a part of horse language. He wasn't trying to be bad ... it was just a part of what could potentially happen in this sport."

Brain didn't let the injury get in the way of living the life she wanted to live.

After major surgery, months in hospitals and years of rehabilitation, Brain got back on a horse and went on to win two bronze medals in the 2004 Athens Paralympic Games.

In 2005, after spending most of her adult life away training in Germany, the U.S. and Canada, Brain returned home to Victoria.

"When I think of home, it's always the Island," says Brain.

Island life didn't slow her down. Brain has continued to compete and train as a Grade 4 para-athlete and this summer she and her horse, VLD Odette, will travel to Hong Kong to compete in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games.

Brain has never looked back on her injury with regret. She only focuses on the positives in her life, aiming for gold.

"If you ask me today if I could go back to the day I had the accident and take it back," says Brain, "I would not take it out of my life."



Karen Brain



Photo contributed

As an equestrian, Karen Brain suffered an extensive injury leaving her and incomplete paraplegic, but through all the obstacles and trials she fought to ride again in the Paralympic Games.

Did you know?

■ Because of strict animal import regulations into Beijing, the equestrian events for the 2008 Olympics will be held in Hong Kong.

■ Just like boxers have weight classes, Paralympic athletes are grouped in classes defined by the degree of function presented by their disability.



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DRY EYE: Instructors Dom Boudreau and Hannah Garvie keep a close eye on laser students doing a (mostly) dry exit in a Salt Spring Sailing Club program. Previously, instructors came from off island, but now the busy summer program employs instructors who were themselves sailing club students.

INDIGENOUS GAMES

Cowichan Valley hosts North American event

Sports and culture highlighted

Thousand of athletes, artisans and spectators will gather in Duncan on Sunday, Aug. 3 for the opening ceremonies of the North American Indigenous Games.

Some 20,000 people are expected to be on hand for the parade through Duncan, which will close with the raising of the Cowichan Spirit Pole.

According to information provided by Salt Spring resident Jacqueline Thomas, the games were preceded by the arrival of 100 ocean canoes at Cowichan Bay on July 28, some of them coming from as far away as Northern Alaska, Washington and Oregon, as well as many B.C. Coastal Nations. Some of the canoes had been on the water for two weeks prior to arrival. Free food was provided for the first 10,000 spectators.

Over seven days, athletes will participate in a wide range of competitive sports events, while cultural

activities are hosted at the Quw'utsun' Cultural Centre.

Indigenous cultures from throughout North America and around the world will be celebrated on the main stage in the Cultural Village.

"The Cultural Village will be an exciting opportunity for Games participants to gather and celebrate, and a chance for tourists and visitors to experience some cross-cultural learning," notes the information from Thomas. "An Aboriginal Artist Market will represent authentic native arts and crafts from across North America."

The North American Indigenous Games run from Aug. 3 to 10. All sporting and cultural events are free to the public. Opening ceremonies run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.



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Rustad Olympics start Wed.

Salt Spring soccer star Clare Rustad's Olympic dream starts next Wednesday morning as the Canadian national team takes on Argentina in its first match of the Olympic Games in Beijing.

The game airs in Canada at 1:45 a.m. on CBC.

The Canadian women's team wrapped up its pre-Olympic series with an 8-0 win over Singapore on Sunday.

Rustad scored twice in the game at the 57th and 77th minutes.

The Canadians tied a match against New Zealand the previous day, with team captain Christine Sinclair scoring the lone goal for Canada.

Other teams in the the Canadian squad's Olympic pool are China and Sweden.



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SPORTS & RECREATION

Next stop for group is Red Deer competition

Jody Pringle and Sacha Kazakoff of Salt Spring are at the All-Arabian Region 17 championships after

Pringle Farm riders, horses top championship

competing to top honours at the Region 5 event in Monroe, Washington.

More than 400 horses from Alberta, B.C., Washington, Arizona and other west-

ern states competed from July 15 to 19.

Kazakoff, riding her horse Oh So Fine, was declared unanimous champion among all

three judges in the half Arabian hunter pleasure for 13 years and under division.

She also placed to top five honours in hunter seat

equitation for riders aged 13 years and under.

Pringle, riding SS Bak Street, went champion in the hunter pleasure 14-17 division and was reserve

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ISLAND ADVENTURERS

Hikers make unbelievable climb up Mount Baker

Salt Spring group covers 7,000 vertical feet

BY DAVID DENNING
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

When Gintare Jankauskaite first visited Victoria 12 years ago, she noticed a beautiful mountain shining in the distance across the island-dotted waters of the Salish Sea.

It was love at first sight, and she made a plan to someday explore Mount Baker on foot with a backpack the way she had already explored mountains in Europe and Asia. Originally from Lithuania, Gintare has been a Salt Spring resident for five years and recently opened her business, Flow Day Spa, in the Creekside building.

On Monday, July 21 at 2 p.m., Jankauskaite realized her dream as she stood on the summit of Mount Baker with three other Salt Spring residents, Patricia Galaczy, Andrea Rankin and myself, David Denning.

It's not particularly easy to get to the top of Mount Baker. First, you have to collect the right equipment,

plan your food and travel route, negotiate ferry line-ups and border crossings, and poke around the back roads of northern Washington State before you finally arrive at the parking lot on Glacier Creek Road at 3,750 feet of elevation.

From the parking area, the summit of Mount Baker (10,778 feet or 3,285 m) is about 7,000 vertical feet and 10 horizontal miles away — six miles as the crow flies.

A three-hour hike with full backpacks leads to some gravel tent platforms on the shoulder of Heliotrope Ridge. This base camp at 5,500 feet has spectacular views of the night lights of Vancouver and the setting sun on the mountain. It's an amazing campsite we would heartily recommend, even if you have no plans to climb the mountain.

After an annoyingly short sleep at high camp, the climb begins at first light and involves climbers travelling together attached to a rope for safety as we move across the Coleman Glacier with its occasional yawning crevasses. It's actually the hidden crevasses that most worry us — if you fall in, you have to be prepared to climb up

the rope using special loops called prussics. Fortunately the path is well-marked by previous climbing groups. With the icy-crisp morning snow we are moving with the pointed spikes of crampons attached to our boots and ice ax in hand. None of us fall in.

The seven-hour climb up to the top involved two steep icy pitches where steps were cut, and a scramble up volcanic talus. The summit is a rock and ash rubble mound jutting only a few metres above a huge almost-flat snow and ice-covered summit "field." A strong, icy-cold wind blew foul-smelling sulfurous gases from the active volcano vents to the south.

Despite this, we spent a half hour — each bundled in every bit of clothing we had brought along — cheering the good weather, good companionship and good conditions of our climb.

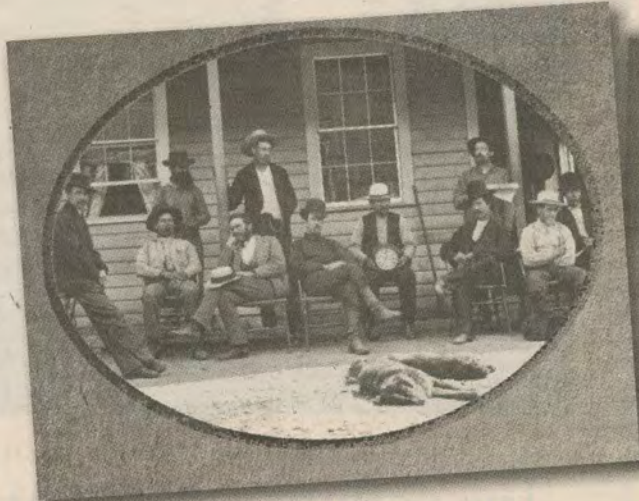
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PART OF the baby boom? Call Welcome Wagon for a personal Baby Visit. Gifts & greetings from local businesses and a warm welcome for baby. Marlie 537-5261.

FUNERAL HOMES

HAYWARD'S FUNERAL SERVICE

PATRICK BEATTIE
 Licensed Funeral Director

#22 Merchant Mews
 Box 315, Ganges P.O.
 SSI, V8K 2V9
 Tel: (250) 537-1022
 Fax: (250) 537-2012

DEATHS

ROBBINS, BYRDIE (BERTHA)

Rona Robbins announces the passing of her mother Byrdie Robbins, nee Bertha Silberberg on July 28, 2008 at the age of 91. Byrdie is survived by her daughter Rona, granddaughter Jennifer, grandson Scott and son-in-law Noel Elson.

We pray for her in her final passage.

COMING EVENTS

HIROSHIMA DAY
 Wed., Aug. 6, 5pm at the Peace Park across from ArtSpring. Info: 653-4283.

KIDS CLIMBING CAMPS
 The climbing Wall offers rock climbing camp programs on Mons.: July 28, Aug. 11, Aug. 18, Aug. 25. Ages 8 - 14. \$30. Info. & registration, 250-537-9971 loc. 231 or jalexander@ssics.ca.

LAMB BBQ
 Rotisserie Roasted whole stuffed lamb makes the perfect feast for your special event.

Now taking orders for the mobile Lamb BBQ. This service comes with a chef and government inspected Local Lamb

537-1000

PAINTING WORKSHOPS with Val Konig: Aug. 18 - 22, Acrylics, oils, or watercolour. Aug 25 - 29, watercolour focus. Acrylics or oils welcome. 537-4660.

THE SALT Spring Island Vipassana Community is delighted to announce our week-long residential summer meditation retreat. August 1-8, 2008. The Gatehouse, Stowel Lake Farm. Please visit www.ssvipassana.org for more information and to register.

COMING EVENTS

SALT SPRING ISLAND STUDIO TOUR GROUP

Annual general meeting on Wednesday September the 10th at 7pm. Lions Club Hall, 103 Bonnet Avenue. All members and new applicants welcome.

SAORI WEAVING Classes - summer workshops and classes still available, fall classes starting September 15. Call Terri 537-8813 to register. www.saltspringweaving.com

WOMENWRITING: 3rd Annual Special Weekend Workshop, "A Circle of WomenWriting." Sat. & Sun. August 16-17. Join this circle of women writing as we use journals to honor our truths, share our stories, deepen connections with our authentic selves & create intentions for our life's journeys. Nurturing environment. Serene south-end. (\$125-150) Wendy Judith Cutler: 653-4286 (winnie@saltspring.com)

COMING EVENTS

Sid Filkow & Arvid Chalmers as **THE GEEZERS & FRIENDS** in

T.I.T.S.
 (The Island Trust Story)
 (The Musical)
 or
From Utopia to Myopia
 (In The Blink Of An Eye)

ARTSPRING

Fri., Aug. 1 & Sat Aug 2
 \$16 (\$32 US) 8:00 pm

CLASSIFIED HOTLINE
 537-9933

COMING EVENTS

Salt Spring Island Painters Guild

SUMMER SHOW & SALE

July 25-Aug. 4
ArtSpring
 10 am - 4 pm Daily

CHECK OUT ALL THE CLASSIFIEDS ONLINE AT WWW.GULFISLANDS.DRIFTWOOD.COM

IN MEMORIAM

Lomas Reginald Victor. In loving memory of my beloved husband who passed away one year ago. "Softly the leaves of memory fall, Gently we gather and treasure them all, This day is remembered and quietly kept, No words are needed, I'll never forget." Missing you every day, your loving wife Marjorie and all your family

In Memoriam
 The Driftwood now offers a special rate for **Memorial Messages \$28¹⁵**
 (Regular Rate \$38²²)

A touching tribute to remember a loved one or commemorate their life.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

We are now accepting enrolment for 3 & 4-year-olds for the 2008-2009 school year.

Salt Spring Cooperative Preschool

For more information please contact Lisa @ 537-8908

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.gulfislandsdriftwood.com. Use the calendar for event planning and to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

COMING EVENTS

Open Daily 11-5 LIVE MUSIC
 Wed. & Fri. 2-4 pm / Sun. 12-2 pm

SALT SPRING VINEYARDS
www.saltspringvineyards.com
 Fulford-Ganges Rd. 250-653-9463

COMING EVENTS

OPEN HOUSE
 Nancy Keith-Murray's 100th Birthday Celebration Tea
 FRIDAY, AUGUST 8th, 2008
 2:15 pm-4:30 pm
 MEADOWBROOK
 121 Atkins Road
 Please join our family in celebrating this momentous occasion.
 RSVP: 250-652-0574
marniekm@mac.com

CELEBRATIONS

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IN MEMORIAM

Courtenay Jane Steele July 30, 1981-

We have lost our precious girl to the sea and we grieve deeply for that loss. Courtenay was an island girl, born 27 years ago at Lady Minto Hospital. She loved her family, she loved Chris and she loved the sea. She lived her life as a grand adventure and we celebrate that.

We celebrate a life well-lived and well-loved. In her loss, we have been given a mystery we don't understand and can't comprehend but our lives are richer for having her be a part of them.

Our family is our treasure and part of that treasure is missing. Our hearts break for what we have lost and for what we will never have.

All are welcome to join us as we celebrate Courtenay's life in a memorial service on August 7 at 2:30 pm at All Saints Anglican Church, Ganges

*Our darling girl,
 we love you and miss you every day.
 We will leave the porch light on and hold you and Chris in our hearts forever.*

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Gulf Coast MATERIALS

will be off-loading the gravel barge
Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2008
SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE
THIS MAY CAUSE

The SALT SPRING CENTRE of YOGA

34th Annual Family Yoga Retreat
 July 31 - August 4

Based on classical ashtanga and hatha yoga, this retreat will be inspiring for those new to yoga as well as those wishing to deepen their practice.

We invite you to drop in for the following free events:

Bhagavad Gita Class
 August 1st & 2nd, 1-2:30 pm
 Sunday Satsang
 August 3rd, 1-3 pm

Meals can be purchased on a drop-in basis. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required for yoga classes and for evening programs.

Islander Special 1/2 day rate \$ 35,
 6 am - 3 pm or 12 - 9 pm
 includes classes, tea time, brunch or dinner

For more information, phone 537-2326 or visit our website www.saltspringcentre.com

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TUESDAY 10 AM

classified@gulfislands.net

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COMING EVENTS

INFORMATION

LEGAL NOTICES

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

HELP WANTED

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The Salt Spring Island Studio Tour Group is now accepting applications for the 2009 season. For more information and application form, contact Desmond at 537-4644. Deadline for applications and payment is September the 3rd 2008.

Islands Trust
SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF BUSINESS MEETING
The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes.
DATE: Thursday, August 7, 2008
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
PLACE: ArtSpring
100 Jackson Avenue

AUDREY CARTWRIGHT
Take notice that the Salt Spring Mini Storage will be seizing and selling the contents of your locker to pay for rent in arrears. You have until August 6th, 2008 to pay your arrears or make other satisfactory arrangements for payment.
250-537-5888

LOOKING FOR MLM Leaders/serious entrepreneurs to help market the hottest product to hit the market in 40 years. As seen on Oprah!!! We have the history, the science, the leadership team, the comp plan and the timing. International Opportunities available. Top Earners Average \$593,000/yr. Call 1-888-283-1398.
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ARE YOU passionate about great coffee and local/global sustainability? Does providing superior employee engagement come easily and naturally? Are you a team player with demonstrated leadership skills? Do you have proven management experience? We are looking for someone to engage (!) within and without the company about Sustainability/Sponsorship and Event Planning. The position will involve much engagement with employees, event suppliers and organizations seeking sponsorship. This is an essential company interface with the outside world! You must love to deal with people! If you are interested, please send your resume and cover letter to hr@saltspringcoffee.com by August 1, 2008.

HOOKTENDER/CHOKERMAN, Experienced for Cable Yarder. Wages dependent on experience. Full benefit package provided. Steady employment for 11 months of the year. Work located in East Kootenays. No camp work. Fax resume: to 250-349-7522. Phone: 250-349-5415 Canal Flats.

ARE YOU a student of Kabbalah? I am new to the Island and would love to start or join in? a study/ discussion, lighthearted group. 653-2423.

Starting at 1:00 p.m. up to 45 minutes will be available for the public to discuss local land use matters with the Local Trust Committee. Those who wish to present a more formal petition, or make a delegation to the Committee as an Agenda item, must advise Islands Trust staff at least one week in advance of the meeting so that they can be added to the beginning of the Agenda. For information about the Agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

LOST AND FOUND
FOUND CAT long haired calico spayed female, found on Russell Road, young & friendly. At the BCSPCA 537-2123.
FOUND: MUSIC device in Ganges. Phone 537-5923.
FOUND ON Cusheon Lake Road, Peruvian doll. Call to pick up, 931-7187 or 250-661-0570.

WORK AT HOME ONLINE - Start a real home-based business. Work when you want. Apply online and start today! www.wfhbc.com.

BUSY PLUMBING SHOP requires person for inside sales/estimating. Must be very familiar with plumbing/heating. Call 403-362-4270 or fax resume 403-362-6040.

INDEPENDENT ELECTRIC & Controls Ltd. We are currently hiring the following positions: journeyman instrumentation mechanics and journeyman electricians. Check out the Independent Advantage by forwarding your resume to: Romeo Major. Email: rmajor@iccgroup.ca. Fax 1-780-675-3283.

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Michelle Nadon- Renick
• Magnify your potential for healing.
• Call for an appointment. 250-538-8410.
• www.questforthedivine.com

Islands Trust
NOTICE
The offices of The Islands Trust, Salt Spring Island, will be closed Wednesday, July 30, 2008.
Regular office hours will resume at 8:30 am Thursday, July 31, 2008.
We apologize for any inconvenience.

FOUND: ?SPARE key on duct tape, Vesuvius Bay Rd. near Community Gospel Church. Claim at Driftwood.
LIGHT BLUE glasses found in the parking lot at Braehaven (assisted living), Sunday afternoon, July 5. Call 250-537-5561.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
CAREER CHANGE? Consider a well-paid career as a massage therapist. Combine home study with monthly hands-on tutorials in Calgary or Edmonton. Excellent instructors, great results. Very affordable; www.mhvicarsschool.com.

CALLING ALL ROBBUSTERS! New and upcoming company is hiring from the ground up. If you have experience in reinforcing steel, or you think you have what it takes. Send resume to "The News", 4-154 Middleton, Parksville, V9P 2H2. File #16.

JAMBALAYA FULFORD Harbour has openings for 1 - 2 part-time positions. Training provided, resume required. Please call Maggie 250-653-9998 or 653-0004.

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CLASSIFIED HOTLINE
537-9933

LOST: MEN'S watch, grad gift. Please call 250-538-0252.
LOST: SILVER earring, triangular shaped, native design. Lost at St. Mary Lake, July 23. Please drop off at Driftwood.

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INFORMATION

MISSING

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Male tabby cat last seen wearing reflective collar and lost in Channel Ridge
Please Call: 250-537-2675

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KNELSEN SAND & Gravel Ltd., a successful well-established company requires the following personnel for its Northern Alberta Operations: Concrete Plant Manager and Project Managers for Road Construction. Phone Bernard at 780-928-3935 or 780-841-1701. Fax 780-928-3656.

INFORMATION

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THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY AUG. 8 FOR A STRUCTURAL EXAMINATION OF THE BUILDING
THE LIBRARY BOARD REGRETS INCONVENIENCING OUR PATRONS
THE EXAMINATION WILL DETERMINE THE PRACTICALITY OF REPAIRING THE EXISTING BUILDING AND ADDING AN EXTENSION TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE LIBRARY FACILITIES TO THE COMMUNITY FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

RING & Bracelet found at St. Mary Lake, (Tripp Rd), July 21. Owner may claim at the Driftwood.

EDUCATION/TRADE SCHOOLS
APARTMENT/CONDO Manager Course. Certified home-study training. 40 jobs currently registered! Thousands of grads working. Government registered. 29 years of success. Information: www.RMTI.ca or 1-800-665-8339, 604-681-5456.

ENSECO ENERGY SERVICES an Alberta based company is currently accepting resumes for various positions throughout Alberta relating to: swabbing, production testing, wireline (cased/open hole/TCP), directional drilling. Must be able to pass pre-job screening. Fax resume to: 403-806-0084, Email: jointheteam@enseco.ca, See www.enseco.ca for more information.

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION is looking for a friendly and organized person to run our office. This is a part-time position. Knowledge of Simply Accounting would be an asset. Please apply to Box 19 c/o Driftwood Publishing, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

Stanley Laing Accounting
To our valued clients we are relocating our office to
115 McGoldrick Place as of AUGUST 1ST
250-537-8870 Fax 250-537-8859
skakima@shaw.ca

SKATEBOARD FOUND behind the Legion. Call 250-537-2313.

For Free individual tutoring To improve your reading, Writing, and basic math skills
Call 250-537-9717
SALT SPRING LITERACY

EXPERIENCED CHEF/kitchen manager for Cafe el Zocalo. Responsibilities may include line, prep, & management duties. Contact Derrick 537 4654

OPENING IMMEDIATELY for heavy duty mechanics. Field and shop work. Must have knowledge on transmissions, drivetrains and hydraulics. Service truck, tools supplied. Wages, accommodations, work schedule negotiable. Contact 780-864-2339. Fax resume 780-864-3450. Email: grdrill@gricharddrilling.com.

SMALL, striped tabby cat, sweet, female. Tattoo. Roland/Isabella Pt Rd area. Missing since July 19. 653-4286.

INTERESTED IN AN EXCITING CAREER AS A PARAMEDIC?
Emergency Medical Responder Program Begins: September 8th, Parksville, BC. Tuition Cost: \$1350
Register online at www.lifesupportbc.com or call 250-248-2137 for more info.

EXPERIENCED PAINTERS wanted. 538-1685.

PROFESSIONAL WRITER wanted: brochures, tech manuals, Business plans, newsletters, etc. 250-538-0076.

Akerman Farms GRAVEL SUPPLY
NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS
We have received our permit from the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources for a Sand, Gravel and Rock Quarry at 189 Jones Road.
We would like to thank everyone that supported our application and we will be there to serve the community for many years.
FOR AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE CALL 537-7059

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APARTMENT MANAGER Couple for 50 units Campbell River. Experience in renting, banking, RTA, landscaping, and minor repairs. Excellent salary & reduced rent on 3 bdrm ocean view Manager's Suite. Extra money for minor repairs, painting, carpet & lino installation. Fax reference & resume: 1-800-762-2318.

FURNITURE DELIVERY DRIVER
JORDANS CASUAL HOME IN LANGFORD.
Requires a Full-Time Furniture Delivery Driver to work out of our new LANGFORD store. Deliveries throughout the Greater Victoria area.
Please fax resume attention: Quinn Knox, 250-478-3933 or e-mail: casualhomevc@jordans.ca

RELIABLE PERSON wanted to join us in London (Notting Hill) UK from Sept. for 3 - 10 mos. (neg.). Must enjoy cleaning, cooking, etc. Flights paid, own room, hours & pay negotiable. email: robinrudgley@hotmail.com

LEGAL NOTICES

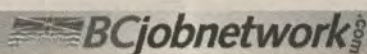
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Capital Regional District
Builders' Lien Act
Notice of Certificate of Completion
Contract 07-1586
Fulford Water System, Salt Spring Island Water Treatment Plant, Wood Frame Building
Certificate of Completion for G&E Equipment Rentals Ltd.
Take notice that on June 30, 2008 a Certificate of Completion, or court order to that effect, was issued with respect to the contract between G&E Equipment Rentals Ltd. (Contractor) and the Capital Regional District (Owner) in connection with an improvement on land described as follows:
The supply and erection of all materials associated with the wood frame building onto existing concrete slab at 203 Southridge Drive, Salt Spring Island, BC.
All persons entitled to claim a lien under the Builders' Lien Act and who performed work or supplied material in connection with or under the contract are warned that the time to file a claim of lien may be abridged and Section 20 of the Act should be consulted.
R.H. Edwards, PEng
Environmental Services Department
Capital Regional District

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Notice of Certificate of Completion
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Supply and erection of all materials associated with the wood frame building onto existing concrete slab at 346A Cusheon Lake Road, Salt Spring Island, BC.
All persons entitled to claim a lien under the Builders' Lien Act and who performed work or supplied material in connection with or under the contract are warned that the time to file a claim of lien may be abridged and Section 20 of the Act should be consulted.
R.H. Edwards, PEng
Environmental Services Department
Capital Regional District



HELP WANTED

ROCK SALT RESTAURANT is hiring year round front staff (not seasonal). Full and part-time positions available. Flexible schedules to fit your family life and other work & creative commitments. Experience not necessary. Please apply in person by speaking to Teile or Jill or email rocksalt@shawbiz.ca.

HELP WANTED

THE FALCONSHED Grill is looking for a reliable dishwasher/prep cook for part to full time work. No experience necessary as we will provide training. Please drop resume off for Jesse or call 537-1760.

SANDWICH MAKER wanted: Full time at Cafe Talia. Please drop off resume Tuesday-Saturday, 9:30-4:30.

HELP WANTED

SeaChange Savouries Canada needs someone to join our sales team, four or five days a week, starting in late September. Applicants must have:

- Sales experience (wholesale or retail)
- Good computer skills
- Basic business writing skills
- Ability to travel 3 to 4 times a year, trips 5 to 10 days each

SeaChange has a very people-friendly workplace and operates weekdays only in daytime hours.

Send resumes to Anne@SeaChangeSavouries.Ca.

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED



Retail sales person required, able to work 2-3 days a week including weekends, with additional days needed occasionally. Employment to start end of August. Please submit resumes in person to

GANGES GARMENT COMPANY

Grace Point Square
Thursdays & Fridays.

SEACHANGE SAVOURIES Canada needs someone to join our sales team, four or five days a week, starting in late September. Applicants must have: Sales experience (wholesale or retail), Good computer skills, Basic business writing skills, Ability to travel 3 to 4 times a year (trips 5 to 10 days each). SeaChange has a very people-friendly workplace, and operates weekdays only in daytime hours. Send resumes to Anne@SeaChangeSavouries.Ca.

STARTING LONG term project. Progressive company committed to Quality has opportunity for reliable carpenters, apprentices and labourers. Come work in a positive team environment for a company that has provided commercial and high quality residential construction on Salt Spring Island for over 30 years. Competitive wages. Apprenticeships avail. Apply at hazenboomconstruction@shaw.ca Fax 250-537-2556 or call 250 537-1080.

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JORDANS new location in LANGFORD

Has an opening for an experienced Warehouse Person. Duties include shipping/receiving, booking appointments for and dispatching installers, inventory control, store maintenance & other general warehouse duties. Some heavy lifting.

COMPETITIVE SALARY & FULL BENEFIT PACKAGE
Please fax resume attn. Mark Green, 250.475.6692 or e-mail: mgreen@jordans.ca

WELL ESTABLISHED company wants courier driver. Please send resume to: Box 18, c/o The Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd. Salt Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V3.

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NOW HIRING

Experienced used car Manager needed for expanding Toyota Dealership in Williams Lake. Hunting, fishing, affordable living unlike anywhere else. Change your lifestyle today.
Fax to 250-392-2288 or john.tate@heartlandtoyota.ca

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EDUCATION/TRADE SCHOOLS

SALES

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PCL Constructors Westcoast Inc. is seeking skilled commercial formwork Carpenters & Apprentices for a projects in Downtown Vancouver. Are you interested in joining PCL Team? Please fax or email your resume.

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WORK WANTED

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Falling & bucking trees, clearing land, brush & windfall
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FINANCIAL SERVICES

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HOME/BUSINESS SERVICES

MISC SERVICES

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RECYCLING

SALT SPRING Island Recycle Depot is located at 349 Rainbow Rd. We are open Tuesday through Saturday, 10am to 5pm. This service is operated by Salt Spring Island Community Services. Please call the Recycle Depot at 537-1200, or Community Services at 537-9971 for information on materials accepted for recycling.

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This Week's Horoscope by Michael O'Connor

August 1st is the date for the New Moon in Leo which is also a Total Solar Eclipse. The exact degree of the eclipse is 9 degrees of Leo in the Tropical Zodiac. Any person with planets at or close to this degree, say between 8 and 10 degrees of Leo, Taurus, Aquarius and Scorpio will especially feel the impact of this influence. Persons with planets at these degrees of Libra, Sagittarius, Aries and Gemini will also feel the effect but to a lesser degree. In any case, this eclipse is said to bring a positive influence so if you do have planets at these degrees then you may be in for some good karma. The planetary picture as a whole shows the Sun and Moon, Mercury and Venus in Leo. With Mars and Saturn in Virgo in harmonious aspect to Jupiter in Capricorn, the influence stands to be especially strong regarding career and other societal involvements. Since it is a New Moon, as is ever the case with a Solar Eclipse, it is a good time for anyone to outline some seed intentions. Tuning in to the moon this way can be fun and it actually works very well. Why be sceptical when you can be experimental. The New Moon offers a celestial seed that we can honour and align with for whatever we want to create. Watching the lunation cycle is as old as it gets and constitutes the earliest calendars. Thinking that it does not have an influence is simply ignorant because the scientific evidence supporting the influence of the Moon could fill a library. That we can work with the Moon's cycle for the sake of seeding our dreams and intentions is very natural. Of course, modern society is fairly artificial and to most this type of thinking is virtually alien. How strange that we would not be more appreciative of the relationships between the Sun, Moon and Earth. This New Moon / Solar Eclipse is your opportunity to get back in-tune with the Sun and Moon for the sake of when to best plant the seeds of your dreams.

Aries (Mar 21 ñ Apr 20)
A creative and playful mood continues to lift your spirits. Encounters with friends and loves from the past may be gracing your stage. Keeping an open mind about things may not be so easy, however. That you also feel industrious could be a source of conflict in your plans. Aim for balance between work and play. This eternal ideal should be especially important to you now. With a whole host of creative ideas flowing in, you may want to jot them down for memory, so you will remember to act upon them later if you are too busy now. Investments of some kind now are also quite possible and the timing generally looks good.

Taurus (Apr 20 ñ May 21)
The task of learning how to create more beauty continues. This could well imply refining certain artistic expressions. Creating a more beautiful life in general also applies. Decipher what this might mean so to overcome the tendency to live by reaction. Aim to live on purpose. Sometimes we live by default meaning we go with what others want and say only to feel frustrated. You may feel this way yet not speak your mind. Find a creative way to speak up. Meanwhile, home improvement projects continue

to rank high. Long term educational plans are also very likely now. Make a five year plan aiming for greater career satisfaction.

Gemini (May 21 ñ Jun 21)
Creating greater fulfillment in your life is in the spotlight. You may feel the need to make some significant changes. Your home environment is a central focus. Renovations, repairs, deep cleaning or moving altogether are possibilities. Be a mover and shaker to make your home life better. Home includes your house but also your body, mind and emotions - the bodies where your soul lives. Yes, we all have a physical, etheric, emotional and mental body. Each is a dimensional layer and they are designed to function as a unit. However, due to the stresses of life in any one of the four listed, we can experience misalignments leading to imbalance leading to confusion and suffering. Aim to bring them all into alignment. If you do not know how but want to, ask and you shall receive.

Cancer (Jun 22 ñ Jul 22)
Keep the best and leave the rest; this quaint phrase matches the planetary influences for you now. This implies knowing what is of true value. What and perhaps who can you genuinely say, ñ love? These people and things are worth keeping around. Clean out the rest to clear the way for more quality. As we each must gauge our own priorities, we each must do the inner work of deciphering what they are. However, we can also ask for assistance. Long-term considerations for investment of your time, energy and/or money are also on your mind. Training and education of some kind is quite likely. Be here now as you contemplate and plan for your future.

Leo (Jul 23 ñ Aug 23)
Assertive actions and pioneering initiatives are leading you in new directions. You want to expand your influence and/or at least lay a solid foundation to do so. You may not feel as confident as you like, but you are wise to get started with your dreams and plans to build momentum. Any journey, long or short begins with the first step. Once the inertia is overcome the whole movement begins to flow and then what comes next begins to speak for itself. On the other hand, knowing your outcome and planning each step makes the process even easier. Leave room for flexibility and spontaneity. For now, simply aim to fortify your overall foundation with plans to expand more fully later on. Begin it now!

Virgo (Aug 24 ñ Sep 22)
You may feel the need to lie low for a while. You can still be industrious and productive, yet this is a good time to rest and retreat. Gain inspiration by generating ideas and by being receptive rather than taking direct action for now. Dream about the possibilities and take notes. You will want to take some initial actions, yet this remains a good time for doing work behind the scenes. Perhaps pay closer attention to your dreams. You can remember them if you really want to. This includes affirming that you will remember them and then having pencil and paper by your bed

side for quick recording. Daydreams count as well. So, hang your dream catcher for ideas and inspirations.

Libra (Sep 23 ñ Oct 22)
Creating more fulfilling friendships and associations in general is now in focus. What and who interests you? Lifestyle changes can be effected by way of new associations. Keep an open mind and an experiential, experimental approach. Be willing to learn from everyone you meet. Out of all the billions of people in the world why are you with and why do you encounter the ones you do. Sometimes the message is simple and subtle, but the really close relationships speak loudest. What synchronicities are coming your way and what do they say? Asking this question is a sign that you recognize that life is intelligent and communicates with us, often with symbolic messages. Ask and watch for helpful answers and insight and guidance.

Scorpio (Oct 23 ñ Nov 21)
This continues to be a good time to assert yourself to be seen and heard. You may feel rebellious and want more attention. Be willing to make some extra efforts. Proclaim your worth and value. Make sure the ones you are telling are worth your while for positive feedback and earned rewards and recognition. Who has insights worthy of your time and attention? Perhaps a trusted friend can offer useful insights or perhaps you need professional council. Bankers, brokers, bosses, counsellors, consultants, or contractors etcetera; who to ask depends on your situation. At the deepest level, the answers you need are about who you are as an evolving soul and what constitutes your best direction.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 ñ Dec 21)
Attending cultural events and or performing will bring enjoyment now. The entire world is a stage so you can act and play in most any setting you choose. Above all you want some attention and at least some healthy participation. Take an active lead for fun and for practical purposes as well. This cycle will continue through to late August so find opportunities for cultural events and interests. Tending to some of the more serious things in life all the while will prove balancing. This includes giving and receiving instruction. What do you need to learn and/or who can benefit from your knowledge, skill and wisdom? Take initiatives to increase your scope of influence for business and pleasure.

Capricorn (Dec 22 ñ Jan 19)
Sometimes we have to dig deeper than others and this stands to be one of those time periods. Perhaps you are doing creative research or maybe you have debts to pay or it is your turn to buy the round. Sometimes we receive and at others we give. Either way, turn your expenditures into investments. This can be as basic as giving from the heart and with full confidence that when we do the return can be ten fold the input. Nature sows with a lavish hand and lack is a by product of excessive mental activity. Unfortunately, that is how our world functions and just look at the mess we have to clean-up in all areas regarding a more equal distribution. Pay attention to how you can contribute in this regard for the sake of living a more meaningful life.

Aquarius (Jan 20 ñ Feb 19)
Love is in the air and the iron is in the fire. Maybe this formula spells romance and intimacy or perhaps you are all excited about someone or something. Whatever or whoever is turning you on, tune-in and engage to be fully receptive and reciprocal. Share the love; assert your passions. As you open yourself to greater prosperity, wealth and abundance, life will respond positively. The key is to persevere. This includes making room in your mind and emotionally as well. Expansion requires that we stretch and make room on all levels. This inner work process is an important corner stone to the prosperity process. Affirm your worth, focus intelligently and follow through until you achieve clear, positive results.

Pisces (Feb 20 ñ Mar 20)
Entertaining a healthier lifestyle continues. While nutrition is ever important for good health, so too is exercise, play, love, inspiration, genuine service and sincerity, etcetera. The point is that health requires a whole approach and any extreme stands to create imbalance in other areas. Get creative and outline a list of all the ways you could realistically get healthier. The next step is to associate pleasure to the process. Associations of pain, to not following through, are even bigger leverage; but making associations on both ends ñ pleasure and pain, is optimal. Be open to the push and pressure that is coming from without. Face your challenges directly and do not run away. Meet your challenges to advance to the next level.

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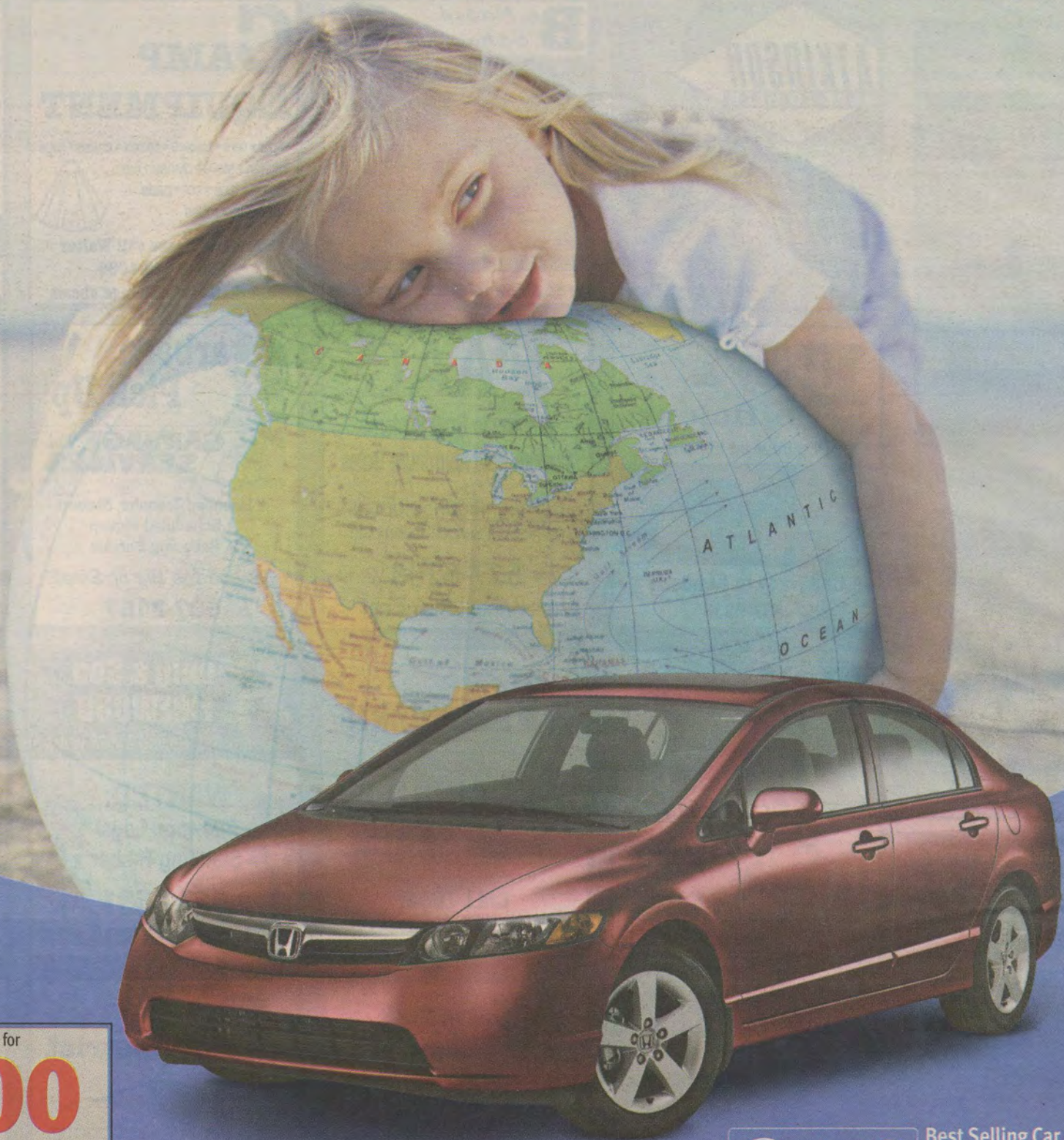
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