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H1N1

VIHA rolls out H1N1 vaccine

First Salt Spring clinics set for Nov. 19; held at local schools

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Islanders will have to wait until the middle of November before the first of three H1N1 vaccination clinics is held on Salt Spring.

The Vancouver Island Health Authority began the first phase of its vaccination clinics on Monday, Oct. 26 in seven Vancouver Island communities.

According to VIHA spokesperson Shannon Marshall, priority was given to larger urban centres and communities whose residents face a higher possibility of contracting the illness.

Salt Spring H1N1 clinics will take place at Fernwood elementary on Nov. 19, at Fulford school on Nov. 24 and at the Gulf Islands Secondary School on Dec. 10.

All clinics will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pender Island's first clinic was held on Oct. 27, with a second set for Dec. 1. A Saturna Island clinic was set to run today (Oct. 28).

Marshall said the campaign to distribute the H1N1 vaccine means VIHA will not host its regular seasonal influenza clinic, initially scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 29 at Lady Minto Hospital. The seasonal influenza vaccine, targeted at persons over the age of 65, will be held in conjunction with Salt Spring's H1N1 clinics.

Marshall advised anyone who would like to get vac-H1N1 continued on A2

TIME CHANGE

Change clocks Sunday as Daylight Savings ends

This is the weekend to say goodbye to Daylight Savings Time for another year, with a clock change set for 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1.

Clocks should be turned back by one hour before people go to bed on Saturday night.

With all kinds of revelry set for Halloween day and night, the timing is fortuitous for those who might need some extra sleep on the weekend.



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

FOOT-STOMPING GOOD TIME: Gail Simpson stomps on grapes as part of a competition at Salt Spring Vineyards' Grape Harvest Stomp on Saturday afternoon.

PUBLIC HEALTH Health cuts felt far and wide

Mental health services face 'crisis'

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Mental health patients in the region face a potential crisis due to recent Vancouver Island Health Authority budget cuts, according to the chair of a local mental health committee.

Barry Pinchin, who chairs the Southern Gulf Islands Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Committee, said he is appalled to have learned that VIHA intends to close 10 beds at the Eric Martin Pavilion psychiatric hospital, implement measures that will see an estimated 400 patients lose their general psychiatric case workers and take steps to integrate the region's nine local crisis phone lines.

"We're making strides and then everything gets cut," Pinchin said. "We are coming to a crisis."

In an Oct. 21 letter to MLA Murray Coell, the premier, NDP leader Carole James and others, Pinchin asks government officials to encourage VIHA management to reconsider its approach.

"[Lady Minto Hospital] does not have psychiatric facilities, thus any psychotic patient requiring hospitalization is transported to EMP," Pinchin wrote. "People from the outer islands already experience delays getting a psychiatric bed and this bed reduction only worsens the situation."

Pinchin has helped islanders suffering from mental illness, along with their families and friends, for more than a decade.

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NEWSBEAT

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Rainbow Rd. project gets CRD windfall

Brackett Spring benefits

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The effort to create 10 units of affordable housing on Rainbow Road took a major leap forward last week as the Capital Regional District provided \$182,000 to the Brackett Spring project.

"It is very exciting," said Neddy Harris, project coordinator and head of the Salt Spring Island Land Bank Society. "We have only one more step to go."

The land bank plans to create 10 units of affordable housing on a 3.14-hectare (7.75-acre) property at 584 Rainbow Road. Units will be phased in over a five-year period, with up to six units constructed during

the first year. Harris said the land bank has pulled together \$1.3 million in mortgage, equity and "up-cycled" buildings, human resource support and grants.

The land bank still needs more than \$200,000 in renovation funding before it can engage in the project and complete phase one.

The final four of the 10 proposed densities will offer further opportunities to site second-hand buildings in the future, Harris added.

"Knowing that there is a chance to have these buildings go toward housing local people instead of possibly being demolished is a pretty great feeling," she said. "We can give tax receipts for buildings, which makes it a win for the community, win for sustainabil-

ity, win for families and win for the donor."

CRD funds come from the Regional Housing Trust Fund, a program that offers capital grants for the acquisition, development and retention of housing that is affordable to households with low or moderate incomes.

During the application process, the Salt Spring Local Trust Committee asked that the development be scaled down from 15 to 10 units to preserve the neighbourhood's rural character. For more information about the project or how to donate a building, contact Harris at 250-653-4573 or visit the land bank's website at www.ssilandbank.ca.

Post your comment to this story online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

Islanders encouraged to write letters, offer help

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He eagerly awaits results of VIHA's "health needs assessment" for the island, announced this summer. Findings are expected by the year's end.

"We know that there are a wide number of issues that need to be addressed to improve the health of the community, from mental health and addiction issues to seniors care," said VIHA president and CEO Howard Waldner in a press release about the review in August. "This review will help us provide better care today and plan sustainable services for the future."

In the meantime, Pinchin

encourages all Salt Spring residents to step forward to write letters of their own and offer whatever help they can to improve the plight of people living with mental illness on the island.

"I'm putting out a plea for others to help the most vulnerable," he said. "The spirit is here, all we have to do is live it up."

Spokesperson Shannon Marshall said VIHA's "community service review" is an attempt to reduce the approximately \$24 million in funding given to an estimated 300 community agencies across the health authority's jurisdiction by \$2 million.

The cuts are among some of the steps VIHA officials must

implement in order to make up a \$45-million budget shortfall announced over the summer, she said.

Cost-saving measures for the Vancouver Island region include scaling back surgeries, privatizing long-term care facilities, cutting back on funding of community programs like Meals on Wheels and the sale of properties in Victoria, Tahsis and Cumberland.

"The community agency service review was extremely difficult and we recognize the impact of these changes," she said.

"Because we realize that many [local mental health service] organizations rely on VIHA for funding, there will be impacts."

She said VIHA representatives will work to maximize the efficiency of services with whatever funds are still available.

Though VIHA's \$1.7-billion budget for 2009-10 is at an all-time high, demand for services outpaces budget increases.

VIHA attributes the higher demand to the region's growing population and the ever-higher number of elderly residents.

The percentage of people age 85 and over has risen 48 per cent since 2003, according to VIHA statistics.

For more information on how to help islanders with mental illnesses, contact Pinchin at pinchinb@telus.net or call 250-537-2543.

Even without verifying tests, it's likely H1N1 is on island

H1N1

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cinated ahead of the Salt Spring dates to contact their family physician or inquire at a local pharmacy.

Islanders can also obtain vaccinations in other communities within the health authority's jurisdiction.

VIHA personnel have set aside Oct. 26 to Nov. 8 to vaccinate high-risk populations, including people under 65 years of age with chronic health conditions such as asthma or diabetes, pregnant women and people, including First Nations, who live in rural and isolated communities.

As of Monday, Oct. 26, Marshall said there were no confirmed cases of H1N1 on Salt Spring Island. Although physicians are not testing every person with flu-like symptoms for H1N1, Marshall said, there is a very strong likelihood that the virus is on the island.

"The virus is widespread throughout all communities," she said. "The absolute most important message is that people take personal precautions."

She advised anyone with flu-like symptoms to stay home, rest and keep at least two metres away from uninfected persons. Symptoms can persist for five to seven days.

Hand washing with soap and water or

an alcohol-based disinfectant and "proper sneeze and coughing etiquette" are still the best ways to prevent spreading of the virus.

Marshall advised infected people to contact a physician or call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1 if they experience a shortness of breath or have a fever for more than three days.

Nearly all H1N1 cases, she said, can be safely managed by people at home who follow recommendations outlined on the VIHA website (www.viha.ca). The site includes updated times and locations for all H1N1 clinics.

An online symptom-checker service is offered at www.healthlinkbc.ca.

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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CLIMATE ACTION

Hundreds join Saturday's climate action event

Islanders urge government to act on climate change

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Islanders convened at the Gulf Islands Secondary School gymnasium on Saturday afternoon as part of a global movement to raise awareness about threats posed by climate change.

Participants clad in wetsuits and snorkeling gear arrived at the event following a Critical Mass cycling rally through the streets of Ganges and along Rainbow Road.

"I'm so impressed that we have such an incredible turnout," said Shoshana Ray, the event's emcee and co-coordinator. "[Wearing snorkels, swim goggles and wetsuits] is kind of funny, but when climate change hits us with its full force and the oceans are rising and Ganges is sinking, this could be our reality. Obviously we don't want it to be that way and that is why we are here today."

The Salt Spring event was among an estimated 5,200 such rallies in 181 countries. Pictures submitted by rally organizers around the world, including Salt Spring Island, can be viewed online at www.350.org.

The International Day of Climate Action is being reported as the most widespread and well-attended day of environmental action in the planet's history.

To mark the occasion, Ray led several hundred participants in what may have been the largest group raspberry in island history, directed at Canada's federal government for its ongoing attempts to stall meaningful climate action legislation.

Participants jeered when informed that projects in the Alberta tarsands will constitute North America's single-largest source of carbon dioxide emissions by 2015.

"Among the many environmental problems created by humans [...] never before have we had a problem that has affected everyone," Ray told the crowd. "The threat of climate change is bringing together people of all political backgrounds, cultures, social status and it's creating a movement that is really spectacular."

The day of action was timed to increase



Participants in Salt Spring's Climate Action Day gather in the gym at Gulf Islands Secondary School on Saturday.

PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

pressure on governments ahead of the Copenhagen climate conference in December. Organizers want to get governments to agree on measures that would reduce the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere to 350 parts per million, the level many scientists believe is the safe upper limit.

Current estimates place the level of carbon dioxide in the Earth's atmosphere at 387

and rising.

Speaker Andrew Haigh joined island musicians Phil Vernon and Raffi, along with the Raging Grannies, to inform, entertain and inspire everyone in the room.

"This is a serious problem and we have to start doing something about it," Haigh said.

"We have two governments [...] who are both dragging their sorry asses and doing very little about climate change," he added.

"We need to kick them into action. We need to be more vocal and this is a good event to start that sort of thing."

To watch video of Saturday's Critical Mass bike ride and Salt Spring Island's climate action day event, visit www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com.

And — see a related story about the Gulf Islands Alliance's fall gathering, also held at GISS at on Saturday, on our website.

News briefs

Islanders spot missing teens

Thanks to some help from a sharp-eyed local resident, two missing West Vancouver teens were found safe and well on Salt Spring Island on Friday evening.

Salt Spring Island RCMP officers located Alexander Carter and Calista Fanthorpe, aged 15, in Ganges.

The teens were last seen on Oct. 15 in Horseshoe Bay and reported missing on Oct. 16.

Officers transported the youths to the Tsawwassen

ferry terminal where they were placed into a family member's care.

According to a press release, West Vancouver police believed the runaways planned to flee to the province's interior or the Okanagan Valley.

Olympic torch event

In addition to several Halloween night activities detailed in this issue of the Driftwood, Saturday sees the Olympic torch relay come to Salt Spring. Festivities begin in Centennial

Park at 1 p.m., with the torch scheduled to arrive via float plane in Ganges Harbour at about 3:20 p.m.

The torch will also be hosted by BC Ferries aboard the Howe Sound Queen's 4 p.m. sailing from Vesuvius with activities planned for the passenger lounge. BC Ferries employee Trish Smiley will run off the ferry in Crofton carrying the torch.

Missing farm stand

Salt Spring RCMP are searching for information

to help locate a farm stand reported missing from Twinflower Way last week.

The stainless steel stand has a wooden top and is approximately 120 centimetres (four feet) in height.

Contact the Salt Spring RCMP detachment at 250-537-5555 with any information about this incident.

Smear campaign underway

Two Salt Spring physicians are participating in a nation-

al Pap smear campaign by hosting public clinics this week.

From Oct. 26 to 30, Dr. Jan MacPhail and Dr. Paula Ryan of the Salt Spring Family Health Clinic in Upper Ganges Centre will provide the important test for cervical cancer to all women, even if they are not patients of the two doctors.

Call 250-537-0693 for details or to make an appointment.

Pap tests can also be scheduled for Mondays year-round at Salt Spring's OPT Clinic by phoning 250-537-8786.

FOR THE RECORD

An incorrect number appeared in a story about the library building referendum last week.

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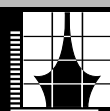


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NEWSBEAT

2010 OLYMPICS

Pilots adapting to Olympic upheaval

Security measures to cause detours and cancellations

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

As the Winter Olympic Games draw closer, float plane operators serving the Gulf Islands are finalizing game plans on how to contend with tighter-than-normal security regulations.

Airspace restrictions around Olympic venues require all passengers to clear security before they board any aircraft destined for airports or seaplane terminals in the Vancouver area between Jan. 29 and March 3, 2010.

Since there are no plans to install temporary security facilities on any of the Gulf Islands, companies have had to think up ways to accommodate the restrictions.

Two weeks ago, Harbour Air announced it will suspend all routes between the Gulf Islands and Vancouver during the five-week Olympic security period.

For his part, however, Seair owner Peter Clarke doesn't anticipate any major inconveniences as a result of the temporary security measures.

"It's business as usual and we are going to make it as convenient as possible," he said.

Seair flights between Vancouver and the Gulf Islands will stick to the company's normal schedule during the security period, though passengers on flights from the Gulf Islands to Vancouver can expect the trip to take an additional 30 minutes.

The delay is a result of a detour through Nanaimo.

The trip between Vancouver and the Gulf Islands will not be affected.

"It's still faster than the ferry," Clarke said.

Salt Spring Air representatives continue to collect signatures through an online petition that calls for the installation of a temporary security checkpoint on the island.

Should the petition prove unsuccessful, the airline proposes to have Vancouver-bound passengers detour through a security facility at Sidney's Pat Bay.

The side-trip to Sidney is expected to increase the Ganges to Vancouver trip from 28 to 44 minutes.

Neither Seair's nor Salt Spring Air's fares will be impacted by the changes.

More information about the Salt Spring Air petition is available on the company's website.

BC PARKS

Trail riders seek rights to Ruckle Park areas

Members urged to write elected officials

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Members of a local horse riding group want the provincial government to loosen restrictions that prohibit horses from Ruckle Park.

"There seems to be the unstated philosophical perspective that horses add a complexity to Ruckle Park that [management plan coordinators] would rather not deal with," said Catherine McEwen, a member of the Back Country Horsemen Society of

B.C.'s Salt Spring chapter who addressed provincial government representatives at an open house event held at the Lions Hall last week.

Thanks to McEwen and a strong contingent of island riders, the Ruckle Park Management Plan's authors agreed to have an area supervisor tour the trails with members of the horse-riding community.

Although representation at Wednesday's meeting marked a step in the right direction, McEwen said, further effort is needed to sway the powers that be to give horse riders access to the park.

She urged group members and supportive islanders to have their say about the management plan before the public input stage ends on Nov. 20.

McEwen said she is open to restrictions that prohibit horses from riding on sensitive trails and at times when wet conditions make trails more susceptible to damage.

She called requirements limiting horses to trail wider than three metres appear "arbitrary." Given the costs of transporting horses to the island, McEwen added, the vast majority of people who would ride on the trails would be island residents.

According to draft management plans for Salt Spring's four provincial parks and two ecological reserves, only Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park permits horse back riding on designated trails.

Under the current proposal, McEwen added, even the horses used for the popular Ruckle Park Family Fun Day every spring would be prohibited or need a special permit.

A spokesperson for BC Parks was not available for comment.

For more information about the management plan process, visit www.env.gov.bc.ca/bcparks.

Woken up man damages RCMP equipment

A Salt Spring RCMP officer was at Centennial Park on Thursday

in response to reports of a man found asleep on the grass. The offi-

cer located an "extremely intoxicated" 44-year-old in the gazebo.

When taken to the detachment, the man allegedly became violent and damaged RCMP equipment.

He faces a charge of mischief and will appear in court in November.

In other RCMP news: On Saturday evening, RCMP arrived at Centennial Park to find a 55-year-old man shouting and "appearing very intoxicated."

Officers arrested the

man for being drunk in a public place.

Police later found a small plastic bag of LSD concealed in the man's sock. The drug was seized and destroyed.

Salt Spring RCMP will host a Halloween display at the detachment at 401 Lower Ganges Road between 4 and 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31. Plenty of treats will be available for the children.

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NEWSBEAT

VANDALISM

Preschool makes appeal for safety

Dangerous actions impacting area

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A series of incidents spanning the school year has left parents at Salt Spring Coop Preschool concerned for their children's safety if matters don't change.

Items ranging from cigarette butts and garbage to human waste and even a razor blade have been cleaned up over the past two months, leaving kids and parents alike feeling violated and upset.

Located between the Salt Spring Middle School and Kanaka Skate Park, adjacent land owned by the school board has become a hangout or party location whose action is spilling over onto the preschool grounds, preschool society vice president Melissa Weigel said.

"It's a problem that has been escalating. I believe it was happening last year as well, but we've had several incidents already since the school year started," Weigel said.

One disturbing occurrence was the slashing



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Showing how they feel about vandalism at the pre-school are, from left: Sofiya Wilkinson, Michael Paterson, Soleil Bennett-Peters, Ronin Gebbard and Anna Davidson.

of the net rigging on a ship-design play structure, leaving holes that children could potentially fall through. Even worse, the razor blade most likely used to make the holes was left lying beneath.

Weigel said the parents on duty each morning thoroughly inspect the grounds to ensure a clean and safe area for the kids to play in. School District 64 has been helpful in sharing the responsibility

and promptly removed a derelict shed that seemed to be attracting "bad behaviour" when it was brought to their attention.

Now the preschool is calling on the community to help keep inappropriate behaviour out of the grounds used primarily by three- and four-year olds.

"If people know of anybody using the grounds as a party place, please discourage them

from doing so, because it's meant to be a safe, happy place for young children," Weigel said.

"It makes the children really sad when they come to school and find their property has been disrupted and violated."

Preschool and RCMP representatives are both asking the public to report any incidents as soon as possible to ensure a continuing safe environment for the kids.

Sgt. Danny Willis said the RCMP should be notified immediately whenever vandalism occurs so that police can analyze the evidence and establish patterns. At this time he does not believe the preschool is being targeted but is receiving the same amount of damage as other public spaces.

Willis noted the preschool is "in close proximity to youth activities, so these things do happen."

LAND PROTECTION

The world of ecosystem mapping in focus at Islands Trust sessions

Interactive opportunities and feedback welcomed

Salt Spring Islanders will be introduced to new ecosystem maps at two open houses set for Saturday, Nov. 7.

Ecosystem protection specialist Kate Emmings will lead the Islands Trust/Islands Trust Fund sessions at Fulford Hall from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and at ArtSpring from 2 to 5 p.m.

"Drop by at the beginning of the open houses for an introductory presentation to learn how and why the maps were created and how they might be used by your community," suggests the Trust. "Stay to interact with the digital mapping displays and 3-D air photo viewing that will enable you to dive into the many layers of ecosystem mapping. Kate will be available throughout the day to answer questions and receive community feedback. Come out and try your hand at mapping."

A diversity of plants and animals — many of them rare and endangered — make

the ecosystems of the Gulf Islands unique in the world, explains the Islands Trust.

"The natural landscapes that support this diversity are fragmented and in urgent need of conservation. For example, less than one per cent of the region's old forests remain."

In collaboration with Parks Canada and the Province of British Columbia, ecosystem maps are being created for the entire Islands Trust Area using the most recent aerial photography and field data collection. The maps are the foundation of the Islands Trust Fund's

2010-2015 Regional Conservation Plan, which focuses staff and volunteer attention on the most at-risk ecosystems and on identifying a possible network of protected areas. The ecosystem maps will also be available to local Trust committees for land use planning.

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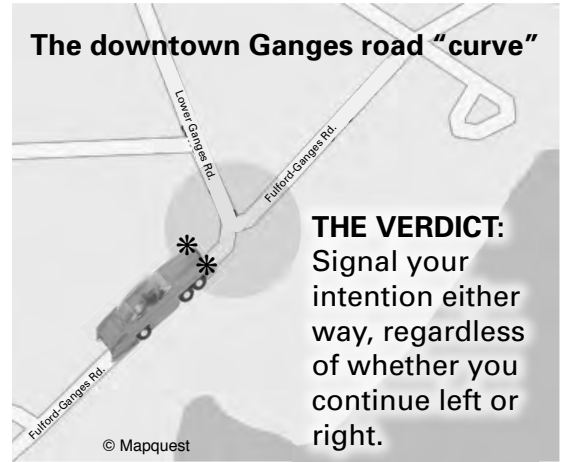
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NEWSBEAT

Confusing intersection prompts signal query

Q: What are the legal rules for signaling when driving around "the bend" in downtown Ganges? Really, it seems legal to signal there because it's where Fulford-Ganges Rd. turns into Lower Ganges Rd., but a lot of people don't signal because it looks like the road just continues around the bend. Once and for all... what are the rules?

-P.H.



A: I quizzed Sgt. Danny Willis of the Salt Spring RCMP on this one. He said this is a question he has thought of himself when approaching this intersection.

Technically, drivers know the rule is that you are required to signal when turning from one road onto another, but Willis admits, "I'd be hard pressed to charge anyone for not signaling because it does not look like a different road where the road curves."

Tourists in particular



Amy Geddes

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must make a quick decision when approaching this intersection and don't have time to look at the street signs that explain which road is actually the continuation of Fulford-Ganges

Road.

According to Willis, the answer in the name of road safety is to drive defensively: "Signal your intention, whichever way you are going, so it is clear to other drivers," he says.

Salt Springers know this is often a chaotic, high-stress intersection, especially when you throw a busy pedestrian crosswalk into the mix. Let's all signal here to keep the peace with our neighbours and avoid potential accidents.

If you have a question related to life on the Gulf Islands, e-mail Amy at ageddes@gulfislands.net. See the You Asked blog under the Blogs tab at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com, or www.gulfislandsnet.wordpress

LOCAL LIBRARY

The Salt Spring Archives and the library — past, present and future

BY BARB AUST

What is the Salt Spring Archives and what does it have to do with the Salt Spring Island Public Library's efforts to construct a new library, you ask?

The Salt Spring Island Historical Society is a non-profit, community-based organization devoted to historical topics that are relevant to Salt Spring.

The Salt Spring Archives is operated under the auspices of the Historical Society and our goal is to preserve and protect our island heritage.

The Salt Spring Public Library views the archives as a strong component of its operations, and has provided us with space and services for over 18 years.

The archives will continue to be housed in the new library and the amount of space we have will almost triple.

Some of this space will be climate-controlled to better preserve the irreplaceable collection of documents we have.

Currently, the overall archives collection consists of over 40,000 photographs, several hundred individual family/business/organization collections, and over 150 audiotape interviews of long-time residents, some still with us and many long gone, as well as extensive press and governmental records.

Some of the information is already available to the public on our website at www.saltspringarchives.com.

The hard-working volunteers of the archives continue to develop more complete cataloguing and digitization of the records we currently have. This is generating interest from more

island residents and, as a result, people are generously donating archival material to the collection.

Recent contributions such as the amazing Paul Bion photographs of the trenches of WWI and the loan of the Sharp photography collection of 30,000 negatives picturing local islanders and aerial photographs (taken between 1960 and 1972 approximately) have enhanced what is already a fine collection.

The increasing size of the collection and enhanced interest and usage of the materials is incredible!

School children, long-lost relatives, those interested in land use, the Kanaka settlers, the early black settlers and the history of local First Nations all find something interesting in a visit to our website or our archives space.

We hold many keys to the past: photographs, old diaries, letters, farm records, among others.

Currently, much of our work is being done in private homes or in borrowed spaces, but our growing collection requires a new safe, dry, moisture-free space in which to safely house materials that can never be duplicated.

Our collection is priceless and it chronicles the history of Salt Spring Island. A new library building that provides a safe and dry home for the Salt Spring Archives will preserve our island heritage for generations to come. The archives will have such a home with community support for a new library.

The writer heads the Salt Spring Archives.



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NEWSBEAT

SCHOOL DISTRICT



GISS math and science wings welcome two new teachers

Donal Duncan and Suzanna Ritchie enthusiastic about GISS

BY BRONTE RENWICK-SHIELDS
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Two new science teachers are among the new faces at Gulf Islands Secondary School this year.

Suzanna Ritchie and Donal Duncan are both excited about the year ahead and love what GISS has to offer.

This is Duncan's first year of full-time teaching after completing his practicum at Parkland Secondary in Sidney. A teaching profession was not the first thing that Duncan had in mind after graduating from high school in Parksville. He first went to UBC for an undergraduate degree in engineering. He worked at UBC

for a couple years in an engineering position, but while working and studying he found himself tutoring on the side and enjoying it more than what he was doing in the engineering field.

"I thought, 'Hey, if I could help one student, maybe I can help 30.'"

This encouraged him to take the teaching program at UVic and he now teaches math, junior science and physics at GISS.

Duncan still lives in Victoria and has to commute daily, but is considering making the move to the island after his wife finishes her masters degree at UVic.

Ritchie grew up in Hamilton, Ontario and took biological sciences at the University of Guelph. After graduating, she moved to B.C. eight years ago to attend UVic's teaching program. Ritchie has been living and teaching in North Vancouver before com-

ing to Salt Spring and said she is really enjoying the school and the island so far.

Living on Salt Spring isn't a completely new thing for Ritchie. She lived here for a few months before returning to university and loves the island. She's known for a long time that she wanted to be a teacher.

She describes teaching as "something I have always loved."

"I've been teaching in public schools now for two years and I've been teaching outside of the public school system since I was a teenager."

Both of the new teachers have much to offer our school and our island and are enthusiastic about being here. Salt Spring Island and GISS welcome them.

The writer is a Grade 12 student at Gulf Islands Secondary School.



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New teachers Donal Duncan and Suzanna Ritchie take their places at the head of classrooms Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Community Open House – Ecosystem Mapping

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Saturday, November 7th

9:30 a.m. – Fulford Community Hall
12:30 p.m. 2591 Fulford-Ganges Rd

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View, interact with, and provide feedback on your island's new ecosystem maps.



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CONCERTS

Teen cellist solos with Sooke Philharmonic

Two concerts run this weekend for Rylan Gajek

String sensation Rylan Gajek has been busy lately rehearsing with the Sooke Philharmonic Orchestra in preparation for performances of A Celebration of Young Artists, to be held Friday, Oct. 30 and Sunday, Nov. 1.

The young cellist, who just turned 16, was announced earlier this year as winner of the orchestra's fifth annual Don Chrysler Competition, a contest open to young musicians up to age 23. Gajek received a prize of \$500 courtesy of Long & McQuade and will play his winning concerto piece (Saint Saens' Concerto in A minor) with the orchestra at the two upcoming concerts, which open the 2009/10 season.

Paula Kiffner, Gajek's cello instructor for the past five years, said winning the competition and playing with the orchestra is an important milestone in the young musician's career.

"Conductor Norman Nelson is an incredibly fine musician. Many years ago he was the concertmaster for the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra — he has a very distinguished background, so to be able to play with him is a wonderful opportunity," Kiffner said.

Kiffner said having two performance opportunities in Sooke is another nice aspect for Gajek.


Presented in partnership with school districts 61 and 62, partial proceeds from the concerts will help support music programs in those areas.

Tickets are available in advance at Victoria locations of Ivy's Book Shop, Larsen Music and Long & McQuade, or at the door if not sold out.

The Friday concert takes place at 8 p.m. at Sooke Community Theatre, 6218 Sooke Rd. Sunday's matinee concert is at Alix Goolden Hall, 907 Pandora Street, Victoria at 2:30 p.m.

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EDITORIAL

Staying on topic

With more than five weeks left to go before the library referendum, islanders are resembling eager readers who skip ahead to the end of a mystery novel because they just can't wait to find out who dunnit.

Formal Capital Regional District legal notices about the vote have barely been inked, but the Driftwood has already been overwhelmed with letters on the subject.

Public discourse about a referendum is a good thing, of course, and credit goes to the library association board for keeping the subject simmering in the public realm for quite some time, and to our generally vigilant citizenry.

But we're already detecting an air of intolerance for differing views, along with allegations that the long-in-the-works plan is being forced on us.

In fact, nothing is being crammed down anyone's throat and a proper process has been followed, which will culminate in the Dec. 5 referendum.

THE ISSUE:

Library referendum

WE SAY:

Need to know what the vote is and isn't about

On the other side, even though it causes frustration for people with more background knowledge about an issue to hear the various ideas that arise, others understandably

want to talk about all things library right now.

We know passionate minds must explore and express their feelings and findings, but we also encourage people to learn as much as possible about the specific proposal at hand. The referendum asks us for permission for the CRD to borrow \$2,750,000 on our behalf to build the library, and for our agreement to pay back those funds plus operating costs at a rate of up to \$0.186 per \$1,000 of your assessed property value, or \$600,000 per year, whichever is greater. Salt Spring Public Library Association literature puts the matter into more reader-friendly language, but the bottom line is: Are you willing to support the proposed project on McPhillips Avenue by helping to pay for it through higher property taxes — or perhaps higher rent if you're a tenant?

People who believe that Rainbow Road would be a better spot for a library will probably vote "no" in the referendum. But voters should not think that a "no" vote in a referendum will result in a library on Rainbow Road. It's not an either/or question.

In other words, in this story the hero won't transform into another character on the last page, and any sequel would take a long, long time to hit the shelves.

OLYMPIC TORCH COMES TO SALT SPRING



No legacy from Olympic security bucks

BY JEAN BROUARD

On Saturday, Oct. 31, Salt Springers will host the Olympic torch as it makes its way along a few hundred metres of Ganges streets. What will be the security costs for this exercise? Will we ever know?

The Nazis began the tradition of the Olympic flame for the Berlin Games of 1936.

We are now shown pictures of the B.C. premier proudly attending a ceremony that was never part of the ancient Greek Olympics.

Then the lit flame is brought by military transport to Canada: at what cost? To further inflame us, we are also told that the final leg for the military transport is to be accompanied by four jet fighters.

What about the carbon emissions from all of this jet-fuel combustion?

Now the torches themselves are specially designed and manufactured out of space-age materials by Bombardier in Quebec. They have to be able to withstand -40 to +40 degrees, and we need 12,000 of them.

The symbolism to me is perverse. We are in a recession and many of us are downsizing or finding it hard to make ends meet and yet both levels of government think that we can be pacified when they spend our tax dollars on such frivolity.

The Vancouver Sun reported on Oct. 10, 2008 that Stockwell Day had revised the original "drastically low" \$175,000,000 Olympic security budget upwards to somewhere between \$400 million and \$1 billion.

I have not been able to find a more recent estimate or a more precise one. If I went to my clients with such a large

VIEWPOINT

The symbolism to me is perverse.

budget for a one-month event, and it showed a 250 per cent variance, they would fire me.

The federal and provincial governments are playing fast and loose with taxpayers

money.

I am still trying to picture what so much money expended on security will bring us, except being closer to a police state.

If we spent even a small fraction of this for bike paths, walking trails and a new bus or two on Salt Spring we could see safer commutes, significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and enhanced attractiveness for residents and tourists alike. With half a billion dollars we could repeat the exercise in hundreds of communities in British Columbia.

This brings me to the B.C. Liberal government's recent cuts to gaming grants that fund social and environmental programs.

In a panic over declining tax and royalty revenues occasioned by the recession, the government arbitrarily cut gaming grants.

They can do this once only — next year there will be nothing left to cut. Instead they may be scratching their heads figuring how to pay for their Olympian debts. No doubt we taxpayers will be asked to foot the bill.

The writer lives in the south end. He is a taxpayer, a piety, a gumboot dancer, a singer and forest geneticist.

The above piece was inspired by the coincidence of devastating cuts to arts and environmental programs on Salt Spring (see letter to the Finance Committee of the BC legislature on Page A19 of the letters section in this week's paper) and with massive Olympic security costs.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

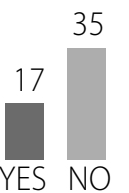
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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Is flu fear reducing your hugging & hand-shaking?



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IslandVoices

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:
"We have two governments [...] who are both dragging their sorry asses and doing very little about climate change."

ANDREW HAIGH, AT THE CLIMATE CHANGE RALLY

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What are your plans for Halloween?


GORDON HANDFORD

I'll dress up as Madame Tussauds and head to the Spooktacular bash.


AURELIA DEMANDRE (WITH MOM LISA)

I'm going to dress up as a star or an angel and go trick or treating.


RHEMA COSSEVER

I'll look through my dress-up box to get in the mood. I like catching up with people in the community at the fireworks.


DAVID MILLER

I'm going to a couple of parties and it should be a whirlwind weekend. My costume is still to be announced.


KATY CURTIS

I'm going to dress up as Wilma Flinstone and take my little brother trick or treating.

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 letters online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com under the Opinion tab.**

Downtown library site

I really hope the disappointed Rainbow Road fans of the library will accept the fact that we need a new building desperately and as soon as possible, and in the hub of Ganges.

Why there? As a library volunteer for nearly 14 years, I know there are some background aspects of being on the present site which may not have been noticed by many patrons. Quite often desk staff are presented with \$20 bills to pay 20-cent fines, and sometimes there isn't enough change. A quick trip across the street to the credit union by another worker can rectify that promptly. Staff also may need emergency stationery supplies and it's great to have Yvonne's shop

close by. Overflow computer users can be directed to her place and to the nearby book store if necessary.

I'm sure there are many other things which help us, like the coffee shop down the road which can be visited hastily to supply volunteers with a treat for their break (if they get a break).

There are some homeless people who spend quite a bit of time enjoying the library because of its convenience when they're on foot. At the other end of the spectrum, it's an easy stroll for the car-less visiting "boat people" to get to McPhillips and pick up e-mail and/or some of the books on sale to take with them when they sail away. Some can also be found sitting outside with their laptops, happy to find Wi-Fi available at all hours on all days.

There could be even more

services available in the centrally sited new building.

If this carefully planned, ecologically efficient and exciting design for the new library in the peaceful creek-side area is rejected in the referendum, the \$4.55 million grant will disappear and it would be years before the decrepit building we have now could be replaced at a probably higher cost. And remember that the Rainbow Road site is far from a cheap and easy one to build on. It is part of a swamp.

JILL EVANS,
SALT SPRING

Library a bargain

Even people who use our library infrequently or not at all will recognize its importance to our community. And the new library will only

increase this importance — with its additional public spaces and improved ambience.

I would like to congratulate the people who have served on the library board over the past few years when the planning for a new library has dominated board meetings. Their persistence in applying for infrastructure money over and over again until it was finally awarded this year has certainly paid off for the whole community.

If we vote "yes" in the library referendum on Dec. 5, we will get a \$7.3-million building for only \$2.75 million. Almost two-thirds of the cost is being covered by the federal-provincial grant. That's a bargain by anyone's standards, and the new building could not be built to code for anything close to \$2.75 million on any site on the island.

I hope islanders are smart enough to see a good deal when it's presented to them and vote "yes" for the \$2.75 million of our tax money to complete the deal for the new library. Because if we don't vote yes now, we'll be paying the whole shot on our own when the current building finally collapses. And by then, the \$7.3-million price tag will undoubtedly have grown substantially!

CHARLES KAHN,
CHANNEL RIDGE

Annoying complainers

It is irksome to read the complaints of people like Michael Friedman, who expect our library to meet his "professional service standards." Let me just address one point, his claim that our inter-library loan

service is "inadequate."

Over the years, I have researched three popular books on history and science, relying heavily on inter-library loan through the Salt Spring library.

I put in my requests from my home computer, and the books usually arrive within a week from major academic libraries across B.C. and even from outside the province. I have also asked for individual academic journal articles to be copied and mailed, and again, this has been prompt and affordable. I see nothing here to complain about. Go figure.

But also, please go out on Dec. 5 and vote to support funding for this fine local service and institution.

TOM KOPPEL,
RICHARD FLACK ROAD

MORE LETTERS continued on A11

Learn the 'bump and park maneuver' at the south end

You can't keep a good idea down. This November will see the start-up of a revolutionary new enterprise on Salt Spring. Are you ready for the South End Driving Academy (SEDA)?

Nobody asked me, but everyone knows that south-end drivers deal with additional challenges than your average "everyday" motor vehicle operator. For instance, driving distances can be deceptive. It is a well-documented fact that it is farther from Ganges to Fulford than the other way around. Well, when you enroll as a student at SEDA, you will become skilled at the intricacies of driving in general, but will receive additional training at negotiating "Fulford" conditions.

As a SEDA student, you will learn how to safely stop in the middle of the road to have a 15-minute conversation with your second cousin who is driving in the opposite direction and whom you haven't seen since last night at the pub. You will also learn how to make up the lost time when you get going again.

You will be taught the art of rolling down the driver's window, sticking out your left arm, and stretching it way around the front of the vehicle so you can manually operate the windshield wipers you meant to fix last week. (This is the reason why south-enders generally have left arms that are a couple of inches longer than their right ones.)

Before you even get into your vehicle, you should do a quick walk-around to make sure there are no obvious safety issues. SEDA has streamlined this safety check into one easy-

to-remember mantra: "four wheels good; no flats better."

Another simplification made at SEDA is the oft-confused "right-of-way" conundrum. Here you will learn the only rule you need to know: YOU always have the right of way.

Parking is often a challenge for new drivers. At SEDA you will become expert at traditional angle and parallel parking. In addition, you will learn advanced techniques at double, triple and especially "ditch" parking. In order to find a parking spot in Fulford village, you will become accomplished at the "bump and park" maneuver.

Similarly, the safe execution of a three-point turn is a useful skill for new drivers. At SEDA you will learn how to modify these into much more creative 10- and 12-pointers. In addition, you will learn how to refine your basic u-turn into a much more satisfying "w-turn."

Shoulder checks are important lessons to learn so that you can safely change lanes in case you have to pass anyone who has the nerve to drive slower than you. At SEDA you will learn to quickly glance at your left shoulder, acknowledge "yep, it's still there," and proceed with your lane change.

As you probably know, drivers here on Salt Spring need to know how to quickly avoid sudden obstacles on the road. Deer, sheep and raccoons are just some of the many dangers lurking on the pavement

ahead of you. At SEDA you will learn how to dodge such sudden problems, as well as the more threatening police roadblocks.

As a south-end resident, your vehicle is probably equipped with electronic turn signal indicators, but most likely some of the bulbs have burned out or you have had to cover the cracked plastic lenses with duct tape. At SEDA you will be taught to use proper hand signals in case you need them.

Of course, there are the standard left turn (left arm straight out driver's window and pointing left), right turn (right arm bent at the elbow and sticking out passenger's window) and slow or stop (arms out both windows and waving frantically).

South enders, however, need a few extra hand signals to indicate their driving intentions. The left arm outstretched with index finger pointing up towards heaven means "I have no brakes!" The same arm position with index finger pointing in the opposite direction indicates "I've lost my steering!"

An up-and-down motion with palm of hand open indicates "my battery is dead so I can't stop or I'll stall out and won't be able to start up again so catch me at the next downhill stretch and we can talk about it."

Left arm outstretched with hand in closed fist conveys the message, "I'm rushing for the ferry so get out of my damned way." The same closed fist with middle finger extended means "same to you, buddy."


Shilo Zylbergold

NOBODY ASKED ME BUT

The safe control of one's vehicle begins with proper position of hands on steering wheel. The tried and true standard is both hands at "10 o'clock and two o'clock," but this has lost much of its meaning in a digital age when most young drivers have never even seen an old analog clock face. SEDA realizes that while having both hands on the wheel is advised, it is not always practical. Should one or both hands become, er, "unavailable" due to other activities, new drivers will become skilled at steering in alternate positions. Students will become adept at the "one hand and one knee" method (preferably not from the same side of the body), as well as the "elbow/knee" technique in unusual circumstances.

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Any driving infractions do not necessarily disqualify an "F" from driving. Drivers who run afoul of road rules and regulations must simply display an added green "U" (for Fulford). This ensures they will become safe and respectful drivers.

Thank-you to the Tessmans for this column idea. Send yours to thyme2001@hotmail.com.



FROM FARM *to* FEAST

A Delicious Collaboration...from Island Growers to Local Restaurants



Talking with Steven Overholt of the Market Place Café

WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FEATURE?

This is a great island to work on with so many artisans and farmers working very hard to give us top notch products. I really want to give credit where credit is due and to let people know about and appreciate the farmers here. We want to be completely transparent about where we get our products and how we prepare them. And as you can see by the restaurant layout, our kitchen area is visible to the dining area.

WHAT IS THE CONCEPT BEHIND THE MARKET PLACE?

The idea behind the restaurant is to provide locals and visitors with good, honest food that comes from my heart. I've worked in other restaurants on Salt Spring and have a strong background in French cuisine, but I really wanted my own place to cook for myself. Spending time in Barcelona studying the modern movement in cuisine changed the way I understood food and cooking. The science of cooking starts with the freshest ingredients flavour matched for the best result.

SINCE YOUR BUSINESS IS FAIRLY NEW ON SALT SPRING, HAVE YOU FOUND INCORPORATING LOCAL MEAT AND PRODUCE ON YOUR MENU EASY TO DO?

Yes, it's easy because there is such a wide variety, and it's high quality. I do consider "local" to include the lower mainland and Fraser Valley as well as Salt Spring. The protein side could be more abundant. It's hard to get premium cuts on a regular basis. An abattoir here would really help.

HOW DO YOU CREATE YOUR MENU? DO YOU START WITH THE IDEA AND FIND THE INGREDIENTS OR THE OTHER WAY AROUND?

It can go both ways. A lot of the time I'll have an idea and try to source the ingredients locally, but sometimes the produce that comes in will spark something. My menu is slightly protein-driven so I'll often build the dish around local halibut, smoked tuna, etc.

DO YOUR SPECIALS REFLECT SEASONALITY? (FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE SPRING - DISHES INCLUDING ASPARAGUS; IN THE WINTER, HEAVIER FOODS USING ROOT VEGETABLES...)

We have a static menu and a specials sheet. The static menu will change seasonally. I am nearing completion of our new Fall menu which will include more squashes, root vegetables, heavier cheeses...this is my favourite time to cook and eat. Root veggies take on such beautiful, earthy sweetness you can't get at any other time of the year.

DOES BUYING LOCAL FOOD COST MORE?

The price of things is surprisingly good. At first I was leery about using a high percentage of local produce but not now. Buying seasonally is a great way to stay at a lower cost. But most importantly, if you're gauging quality vs. price, local food comes out on top. Not only have I found the prices to be reasonable, but the quality is exceptional.

DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS (OR TIME) TO HAVE YOUR OWN GARDEN?

I do have a small garden, but with the monumental task of getting the restaurant going I haven't had the time to spend in it. Plus, I don't get a lot of sun on my property. I'll grow edible flowers, herbs, and garnishes, but leave the rest up to the experts.

WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS?

Accompanying the new Fall menu will be great local wines from Salt Spring and the Okanagan. We have all day long brunches on the weekend made from scratch with many local ingredients. And lastly, we offer catering and can make the restaurant space available for special events. I shoot for really giving something extra that people don't expect. I'm excited to have my young family helping me in this business (extra special thanks to my wife!). We want to focus on working with and serving the locals, as we live here too and feel anchored in the community.



Rueben, Mitch, Dave, Kevin, Damian, Amanda and Steven (owners) with son, Jacob, Mikaela, Leala, Jasmine

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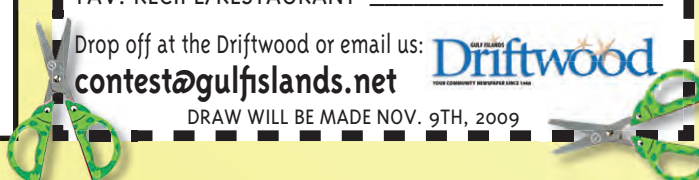
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Explore alternatives

The only "megaphone voice" is Peter Vincent's, trying to kill discussion ("Don't let megaphone voices kill library plan," Oct. 21 Head-to-Head column).

In my piece last week I explained, as a professional librarian, that plans to borrow funds for a new library building were not cost effective, would not be closely monitored by any public body and would not result in better library service for Salt Spring Island.

I provided alternatives that we might consider.

Most of the opposition to the new library building and its location is in response to the library board's immodest presumption of a done deal. I can't believe that at least some of my alternative suggestions would not have occurred to the board. Those alternatives were likely rejected because they would mean a diminished board role, however cost effective the alternatives promised to be.

The library board and the association have made a positive contribution to our community; but, since they constitute a club and not a public body, they cannot, independently, bring to our community the library service that we deserve.

As to costs, Peter Vincent cites the base line only. In a short period of time and forever thereafter, the costs he cites will triple. Of course that projection is from library association statistics. When have we known a project to keep within forecast costs?

The library board's current plan for any funds we authorize it to borrow will mean a significant property tax increase, disbursed without effective accountability, providing no enhancement of service. A shiny new roof over our heads, sure; but, as the classic adage has it, you can't judge a book by its cover.

MICHAEL FRIEDMAN,
SALT SPRING

Don't raise the weir

How many of the roughly 80 properties on St. Mary Lake will have their septic tanks



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

FOOTWORK: Young Lily Campbell outplays her off-island opponents in youth soccer action at Portlock Park.

and/or septic fields either under water or dangerously close to being under water if the weir is raised? ("Water district seeks to raise St. Mary weir," Oct. 21 Driftwood.)

Some of these septic tanks and fields are over 40 years old! Will the water district ask you, the taxpayer, to help pay to have each septic

tank moved to another location at roughly \$15,000 each?

We are all concerned about the quality of our drinking water, which St. Mary Lake provides a huge percentage of the island with.

This should raise concern with all of us. Perhaps we should be thinking about a rain catchment system for

homes that may or may never be built rather than jeopardize our drinking water. Documented reports show St. Mary Lake has more than enough water to efficiently supply Salt Spring Island for decades to come. Insist on a public forum.

JOEL SHAVER,
SALT SPRING

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Cuts do have local impact

The following letter was written to Health Minister Kevin Falcon and submitted to the Driftwood for publication.

As chairman of the Southern Gulf Islands Mental Health and Addictions Advisory Committee, I am writing to request you review the recent cuts made by the Vancouver Health Authority to mental health services throughout the Capital Health Region. In our September meeting, we were informed that services to the Gulf Islands would not be impacted by the upcoming service reductions. We were also assured the cutbacks would be evidence-based and cost effective.

In our meeting of Oct. 20, we were appalled to learn that VIHA will be closing another 10 beds at our psychiatric hospital, Eric Martin Pavilion. We learned over 400 patients are losing their general psychiatric case workers and that the local Needs Crisis Line will become a generalized phone service from a yet-to-be-determined call centre. How can this not impact people living on the Gulf Islands when we are part of the geographic user group?

Lady Minto Hospital is the only hospital on the Gulf Islands. It does not have psychiatric facilities, thus any psychotic patient requiring hospitalization is transported to EMP. People from the Outer Islands already experience delays getting a psychiatric bed and this bed reduction only worsens the situation.

Other than transferring the costs of treating mentally ill people in need of medical care from VIHA to the local police forces and jails (Ministries of the Solicitor-General and Attorney-General), which do not offer treatment but law enforcement and containment, there is no cost efficiency in withdrawing community supports for chronically ill people. Without front-line support, their use of emergency and tertiary services will correspondingly increase. As these are also being reduced, where are people experiencing active psychosis supposed to go? Why is VIHA not required to properly treat them?

We look forward to learning of your intervention and correction of this potential crisis. Please ensure VIHA reconsiders its treatment of the most vulnerable of our society and honour Canada's commitment to improve mental health in this country.

BARRY PINCHIN,
CHAIRMAN, SOUTHERN GULF ISLANDS MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Funding issues

The enthusiastic response to the recently completed All Souls Rising black heritage events affirms the willingness of the Salt Spring community to celebrate its rich ethnic diversity and to grapple with complex issues of race, identity and prejudice.

As we begin a period of reflection on the challenges and triumphs of a celebration for which the planning began 22 months ago, in December 2007, we wish to clarify two issues.

The Oct. 16-17 events were funded with financial support from the Capital Regional District (under the administration of Gary Holman) and a federal Building Communities Through the Arts Heritage Grant.

The Oct. 22 concert by Leon Bibb and Lisa Maxx with the Bill Sample Trio was produced by Mr. Bibb and Ms. Maxx, who set the date, secured the venue, determined the ticket prices and paid for advertising. While we were thrilled and honoured to receive a personal phone call from Mr. Bibb, during which he asked to participate in the All Souls Rising celebration, he did not request nor were any grant funds allocated for the stellar performance. That Mr. Bibb and Ms. Maxx took the initiative, in

less than a month, to organize, fund and deliver to our community a concert designed to coincide with Salt Spring's landmark black heritage celebration speaks volumes about their artistry, activism and self-love. We are forever grateful.

We hope to offer to the community, during February 2010 Black History Month, a public forum to evaluate the All Souls Rising festivities.

EVELYN C. WHITE AND JOANNE BEALY,
CO-ORGANIZERS, ALL SOULS RISING

Award doesn't make sense

When I heard that our Chamber of Commerce had awarded John Quesnel's metal recycling business on Rainbow Road its Small Business Award I was totally amazed. And here's why: In the early spring of 2008, Quesnel went before the Islands Trust seeking a temporary use permit pending a rezoning application. (The area of Rainbow Road where he operates is zoned Rural Residential, disallowing such industrial usage.)

Trustee George Ehring, after weighing the pros and cons, told Quesnel in no uncertain terms that he was operating an illegal business, and, as he had been operating said business for several years already, he was to "cease and desist immediately." The Driftwood ran a front-page story the following week and made this public, which is why I am amazed to hear that this same business, still under a "cease and desist" order and the subject of an Islands Trust legal action, should be selected by our Chamber of Commerce for an award. What does that say about our island?

CARL DUNCAN,
RAINBOW ROAD

Costs of industrial ag

Charles Breth's long letter claiming Elizabeth May has "no insight on food policy" (Oct. 21 Driftwood) fails to see the whole truth.

Sure, factory farmed food is cheaper for the consumer to buy and involves less farm labour than locally grown healthy food. But the costs of industrial agriculture are huge. We are using at least three calories of energy to produce one calorie of food, which means our food system is contributing to the climate crisis, which ultimately threatens the well-being of most life forms on earth, including us, of course. And an article in Scientific American by David Biello argues there is certainly a link between factory farming and the swine flu and other serious diseases.

As for the snipes at Elizabeth May, if you take the time to find out about her background or, better yet, to meet with her, you will doubtless be impressed by her in-depth knowledge of many vital issues and her generous spirit. To arrange a meeting, all you need do is call the Green Party office in Sidney at 778-426-4494.

JAN SLAKOV,
SALT SPRING

Getting exercise

Many of us are aware that the union contract for the Salt Spring Island Fire/Rescue service includes provision for exercise facilities for the permanent firefighters there.

With this in mind, I was most interested to see the Request for Tenders in the Oct. 7 Driftwood, which calls for "persons to maintain the landscaping of the fire department's three fire halls" for 2010. As someone who supports the need for both fiscal and physical fitness, I wondered if perhaps both goals could be advanced by including lawn mowers and gardening equipment amongst the exercise facilities, and having the firefighters get some of their exercise between emergency calls by maintaining the landscaping of the fire halls.

DON GAINOR,
SCOTT POINT

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OPINION

Sea level rise, global warming: keep heads cool, stick with facts

BY KEES VISSER

In last week's Driftwood, a number of articles appeared in the light of International Day of Climate Action. Although most articles are excellent and written with honest intentions I have to point out a few misunderstandings and some erroneous statements.

I feel that we should look at the facts. Let's keep our heads cooler than the earth and not simply repeat and copy ignorant press reports.

First of all, I would like to address the fiction of disastrous sea level change. The claim for a large-scale increase in sea level is based on arm-chair fiction constructed by mere computer modelling and consistently proven wrong by real-world observations. I am using here the words of Prof. Nils-Axel Moerner, head of Paleogeophysics and Geodynamics of the University of Stockholm, also a member of the International Panel on Climate Change and expert on sea level change. He and his fellow panel members came to the following facts:

1. In the last 2000 years, sea level has oscillated with five high peaks reaching 0.6 to 1.2m above the present-day sea level.

2. From 1790 to 1970 sea level was about 20 cm higher than today.

3. In the 1970s, sea level fell by about 20 cm to its present level.

4. Sea level has remained stable for the last 35 years, implying that there are no traces of any alarming ongoing sea level rise.

This last fact will probably come as a surprise to most people. More than half of the Netherlands is below sea level, so the Dutch authorities will have a strong interest in any sea level rise, but a study earlier in 2009 showed that the level is basically the same since 1972. You could actually check and see that yourselves here on Salt Spring Island or just ask any fisherman.

The International Commission on Sea Level Changes and Coastal Evolution (1999-2003) and the Fourth Assessment Report of the IPCC, 2007, has after intensive studies and discussions concluded that "the best estimate" for possible sea level changes by the year 2100 was +37 cm (+ or - 20 cm). Such changes would imply very small effects and in its extreme and unlikely scenario just over half a metre, but all within the range of the last 2,000 years.

Melting Arctic and rim sea ice in the Antarctic will not contribute to sea level rise, since all that ice

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floats in water. Glacier ice is negligible in the overall scale of things. Only land ice, and specifically, Greenland's icecap will contribute. The contribution by Antarctic land ice is mostly negated by increased snowfall in the centre. In any case, estimates of two to five metres are extreme, based on hypothetical computer modelling followed by the usual misinterpretation by the media, and lack any scientific justification. Although it is nice to show people what a five-metre rise in Ganges would be and perhaps make them understand to live more sustainable, I am surprised that in one article a five-metre sea level rise is being portrayed as fact. This is simply not true and is alarmist.

Secondly, IPCC in

2007 has stated that the present global warming is only (possibly) partly human caused; we do not know how much, but we almost certainly contribute. To say now that by living "greener" we can stop the warming and even reverse it, is simply not accurate. Even if there were no people on the planet at all, the earth would continue to warm by natural processes and in 10,000 years or so will be cooling again. Over the last few hundred thousand years we have had at least three glaciations and warming intervals in between. Only about 10,000 years ago Vancouver Island was covered by one km of ice, which disappeared within 1,000 years. Talk about global warming, and there were very few people around then! Even if we cannot find traces of glaciations in the rock record anymore, the earth's history

has had numerous cooling and warming periods in its 4.5-billion-years.

While we are trying to convince and educate people to live "greener" and to pollute less, we should also be able to respect the facts and to free Salt Spring Island and other low-lying coasts of the anxiety of becoming flooded in the next generation. Also, and I am probably not popular by saying this, if you reduce your carbon footprint and even if you remove all anthropogenic causes, the earth will get warmer by natural processes, whatever we will do.

At this point I like to state that as concerned citizen I also try to minimize my carbon footprint and try not to pollute, but on the other hand as geologist I like to deal with facts,

The writer is a professional geologist.

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(a) Bylaw No. 3613, "Salt Spring Island Public Library Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2, 2009" authorizing the Capital Regional District to borrow an amount not to exceed \$2,750,000 for the purpose of paying the net costs of designing, constructing and equipping a new public library building on Salt Spring Island; and

(b) Bylaw No. 3612, "Salt Spring Island Public Library Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2009" authorizing the Capital Regional District to raise a maximum annual requisition of the greater of \$600,000 or \$0.186 per One Thousand Dollars of taxable assessments for the purpose of funding the capital and operating costs of a new public library building and contributing to the cost of the library service on Salt Spring Island. YES or NO?"

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Driftwood

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Driftwood WEEKENDER

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BIRTHS

Richard and
 Janine Hayden
 are delighted to
 announce the birth of

Renee Violet
 Hayden

Born 6 lbs 14 oz on
 Oct 14 at Lady Minto.

DEATHS

Sunny James Pettman
 July 19, 2009 -
 October 22, 2009
 Sunny Pettman, beloved
 son of Cassandra and
 David Pettman and twin
 brother to Casey Pett-
 man, died suddenly on
 Friday morning.

Sunny's arrival into this
 world was anticipated
 with joyful expectation
 by family members and
 friends. Although his visit
 was brief, Sunny's spirit
 shone brightly on every-
 one around him.
 Cassandra, David and
 Sunny's grandparents
 share their grief with all
 whose lives were
 touched by Sunny's bril-
 liance.
 A Funeral Service will be
 held on Friday,
 October 30 at 2:00 PM at
 the Community Gospel
 Chapel, 147 Vesuvius
 Bay Road. Memorial
 contributions may be
 made at Island Savings
 Credit Union, at 124
 McPhillips Avenue, to the
 "Sunny Pettman
 Memorial Fund."

CARDS OF THANKS

**The family of the late
 Andrew Kinnear**
 would like to express their
 sincere **thanks to all their
 friends and neighbours** who
 phoned, sent cards, flowers &
 attended Andrew's gathering.
**Your support and words
 of comfort were greatly
 appreciated.**

The family would also like to
 thank all those who helped at the
 gathering & also to Country Grocer
 for the beautiful food platters.
 - Roberta Kinnear and Family

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 Driftwood each week.
 -Cambase survey

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 with
 Sunshine &
 The Prodigal Sun

6:30-8pm on Tuesdays
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COMING EVENTS

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 store near you in Metropolitan
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 "Tryste and the Sea". If you
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 Dream" you will want to read
 this story of the cruising years
 between. See next week's ad.

**COUGAR ANNIE
 & HER GARDEN
 REVISITED**

Sunday, Nov 8
Lions Hall - 103 Bonnet

Songs about Cougar
 Annie, composed &
 sung by Katrina Kadoski,
 present caretaker of
 Cougar Annie's Garden.
 With Hugh Fisher on
 guitar. Narrated slides &
 photos, new and old.

Doors 7 - Show 7:30
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 Mech, Charles Buchwald, David Denning, Margery Moore,
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 Wright, Raging Grannies, Geoff McFarlane, Raffi, Phil Vernon.

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 Influenza
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 coming events check the Drift-
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 of arts in our community. Interested? For
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**Deadline for applications is
 November 11, 2009.**

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DEATHS

**REMEMBRANCE
 GATHERING**

for George William Brown to
 be held on Saturday, October
 31st from 2pm to 4pm at
 home, 160 Ontario Place, Salt
 Spring Island.

In lieu of flowers, George
 would have liked donations
 to Salt Spring Island
 Foundation, P.O. Box 244, Salt
 Spring Island, BC, V8K 2V9.

**WHAT'S ON
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**FARM TO FEAST
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DEATHS

**GRACE MARGARET
 PETER**
 January 2, 1938 -
 October 25, 2009

It is with profound sadness that we announce the
 passing of our mother, Grace Margaret Peter on
 October 25, 2009 after a long and courageous
 battle with cancer. Grace was born on January 2,
 1938 in Chester, England. She was predeceased
 by her husband David in 2004 and leaves to
 mourn her children Clare (Brent),
 James (Jacqueline), Jon (Loa), sister Pauline,
 grandchildren Ryley, Maddy, Liam, Noah, Carys
 and numerous other relatives and friends.
 The family is deeply grateful to the staff of the
 Lady Minto Hospital for their exceptionally kind
 and compassionate care over the years and in
 particular her final days. Grace's passing leaves
 an aching void in the lives of all who loved her
 and she will be greatly missed.

**Her family asks you to join them for a
 celebration of her life on
 Sunday November 1 at 3:30 in Ruckle Park.**

In lieu of flowers, donations to the
 Lady Minto Hospital Foundation in her name
 would be greatly appreciated.

DEATHS

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Wed. 9am - 10:30am - ALL LEVELS
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Thur. 4:30 - 6pm - ALL LEVELS
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Guest Speaker Peter Scales on the topic "Peace & War Unitarians & Remembrance" 11am, Sunday Nov. 1, at S.S. Seniors' Centre.
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COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

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4 DAYS ONLY

COMING EVENTS

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COMING EVENTS

RAFFI NEW CD CELEBRATION
Thursday, Oct 29, 2009
ArtSpring Gallery
Featuring:
SSI Fiddlers, Patrick Godfrey, Laurel Murphy,
& guests
for Centre for Child Honouring on SSI
Doors 6:30 & Music 7:00
Wine, cheese & other refreshments
All ages & Free Admission

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Acrylic
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Nov. 13-15
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Friday October 30th
Farmers' Institute Rainbow Road
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OPINION

MORE LETTERS

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Sacrifice should be universal

The following letter was sent to Premier Gordon Campbell "and other complicit cabinet ministers of the B.C. government."

I am appalled to hear that the government has chosen to squander almost one million of our scarce tax dollars on choice Olympic tickets and luxury boxes for its members.

This, when a mere \$15,000 to \$20,000 would preserve the Salt Spring Island Conservancy's award-winning Stewards-in-Training program for schools that I and many other volunteers have worked for years to establish and develop. This, when our unique local wildlife rescue centre has lost essential funding of only a few more thousand dollars.

This, when there have been crippling funding cuts to education, health, social and environmental programs in communities all over the province. Not the big, millions of dollars programs; the little, few thousand dollars each, mostly volunteer-supported programs that make such a big difference in people's lives.

If "the economy" is indeed so bad that we must sacrifice what many have worked so long to achieve, it is disheartening to find that this sacrifice is not universal.

Certainly the Premier and other ministers are required to attend some Olympic events. Perhaps they should be guests of VANOC or the IOC and not of the taxpayers of British Columbia.

I can only hope that at least some of you who are being treated at public expense will spare a thought for the children, the seniors, the environmentalists, the artists, etc., who are making the sacrifices while you are wallowing in the public trough. For shame!

DONNA MCWHIRTER
SALT SPRING

Informed decision

Let me add my voice to that of Peter Vincent, Roz Hobbs and others in support of the new library. (Oct. 21 Driftwood letters and Head-to-Head column.)

A project of this magnitude in a community the size of Salt Spring is bound to suffer from mistakes and misinformation, but on one thing there is general agreement. This island needs an efficient, modern library.

While the location has proven a bone of contention, the fact remains that a referendum was held and the result favoured the library remaining in

its present place in the centre of Ganges. To what extent some voters may have misunderstood the somewhat confused wording will never be known. I may indeed have been one of those, but what is done is done. What has followed is what matters.

Through the pages of the Driftwood and other sources, the community has been kept well informed of the workings of a most diligent board ably led by the steadfast and intelligent Tilly Crawley. Step by step, residents have been kept informed of the physical and financial planning and achievements at every stage of development. Last week's announcement of a December voting date and the approval by CRD of the bylaws is surely cause for celebration.

It is my hope that the citizens of Salt Spring Island will put aside their differences and enthusiastically endure this referendum. To do otherwise would, after all, cost us all a \$4.55-million grant. I intend, on voting day, to vote a resounding "yes" and with my vote goes an expression of gratitude to the board for all their hard work.

Now, please get on as expeditiously as possible with the completion of what can only be a building that will enhance Ganges.

E. MARGARET FULTON,
LOWER GANGES ROAD

Library design

I don't understand why the real "megaphone voices" want to stifle all comment on the library building project. If we are going to spend \$7.3 million of the taxpayers' money (it all comes out of the same pocket!), the more taxpayer input we have the better.

"Shut up and pay up" is not my idea of participatory democracy. They had that a bit further south and look what a mess resulted.

The opportunity for people who are footing the bill to have any input on the library project has been sadly lacking. The latest exhibits at the library provide a bit more infor-

mation. Take a look and ask questions. Is this the best bang for the buck? Is this going to serve the community needs for the next 20 or 30 years? Is that three-piecer roof with tons of dirt on top going to keep the water out? Will it really last twice as long as a conventional roof? Who says? Leaks are expensive to fix — ask the condo owners!

We need questions and we need answers before we commit to this kind of expenditure.

PHILIP MASON,
SALT SPRING

Traffic

I visit Salt Spring fairly regularly as my family and I always enjoy our time there — visiting friends and appreciating all that Salt Spring has to offer.

However, our time in Ganges in August was spoiled by horrendous traffic gridlock. It was so bad that I cancelled a coffee and shopping visit with a friend, preferring to ride my bike in the Fulford area. I'm sure a lot of potential business is lost because of people like me who do not want to spend their vacations battling traffic.

Have you considered not allowing traffic into the downtown core (or at least imposing a stiff congestion charge) and as an alternative, providing a shuttle bus service? I would also like to suggest that the anti-idling bylaw be enforced. The number of idling vehicles I saw on Salt Spring was very disturbing.

On a positive note, I was glad to see the new community bus on the island. Congratulations!

I look forward to hearing of some changes in Ganges next summer. I'll keep tuned.

MARY SHERLOCK,
VANCOUVER

Restore gaming grant funds

The following letter was sent to the finance committee of the B.C. Legislature and submitted to the Driftwood for publication.

I hope that you fully restore B.C. Arts Council funding and substitute

a new source of funding for the important social programs formerly supported by gaming grants.

Please avoid the Orwellian "newspeak" — gambling is not a game. It is an addictive and dangerous activity. It is also a highly corrosive influence on government.

You have lost your public licence to sponsor gambling. It has no value in our society. In fact, it has profound negative impacts. I know you feel that it is "easy money" and "a tax on the stupid," but gambling produces no new wealth and it hurts society, families and individual addicts. You should be ashamed to promote such a harmful activity. I realize that the B.C. Liberals are not alone in this dangerous addiction to gambling revenues: as you know, two former NDP premiers (Mike Harcourt and Glen Clark) met their demise because of the corrupting influences of gambling in their entourage. It would be a pity if Mr. Campbell is likewise brought down by the same means.

Gambling is always a "lose-lose" proposition. Just because other jurisdictions like Alberta, Ontario and Nevada promote gambling and rely on the revenue does not mean that British Columbia should do likewise and it does not make gambling any less unsafe.

A number of valuable programs on Salt Spring have been devastated by the sudden cuts in the gaming grants — Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre and the Salt Spring Island Conservancy's Stewards-in-Training schools program, to name but two. At the provincial level, I would like to mention the B.C. Arts Council and the B.C. Choral Federation, which also supports several Salt Spring choirs. They will learn to do without gambling dollars or perish in the attempt.

I trust that the B.C. Liberal government will likewise learn to do without gambling and find alternative sources to fund important social and environmental programs.

JEAN BROUARD,
ISABELLA POINT

This Week's Horoscope

by Michael O'Connor

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Tip of the Week:

This is the time of thinning of veils between worlds. Vivid and unchecked imaginations abound. Masks and make-up, costumes and disguises, tricks and treats all contribute to the fun. Traditionally, this time is called All Hallo's Eve. There is a mystical and magical theme at the core of this annual event. Yet, it has also stirred fears and continues to do so for some. The unknown can be scary. The notion of death and decay and where we go and what happens when we leave the body come into question. The other side is murky and grey, cold, painful and evil in the imaginations of the fearful. That place or state where the ghosts of the departed linger caught between worlds, stuck in the Bardo, confused and haunted and haunting to those still in their body. Such infantile fears portray the over active imagination of those afraid of the dark, afraid of death, afraid of life, afraid of their shadow, who live in fear. These days this once sacred ceremony, that celebrated the connection between the material world and the realms where the dearly departed go when death relieves them of their body and all the webs that weave their personalities to family, friends and neighbours, is called Halloween. Now it is a time of fun and games and parties and alter egos finding expressions and tricks and treats too. Yet, still there remain many who find the entire event distasteful and lowly, even dark and evil and frightening. Yes, Scorpio time does evoke many mixed feelings and stir deep, dark secrets of the inner realms.

ARIES (MAR 21 – APR 20)

Delving into the deeper depths is the call now. For the love of passion and the passion of love, it is time to play. Looking beneath the surface to what is hidden from view adds a provocative twist. Commitments are easy when beauty and pleasure are central to the deal. Changes are brewing that include endings followed quickly with new birth.

TAURUS (APR 20 – MAY 21)

Death and rebirth are the deep mysteries. Respect for life requires respect for death. Change, transformation and renewal are synonyms for this spiritual, cyclical process. The touch of death can be applied to any area of your life that is in need of change and renewal. Perhaps it is your home, or your relationships, or perhaps it is you.

GEMINI (MAY 21 – JUN 21)

Is it the power of change or the change of power that is stirring the pot? There are likely a lot of parts and pieces in the mix. What to keep and what to discard is another question? New appetites are evoking new recipes. At deeper levels, a spirit of adventure is leading down paths to new people and places. Mix vision and imagination to make a potion to journey.

CANCER (JUN 22 – JUL 22)

The heat is on, a passionate search for clues and leads to help you find buried treasures. Expect to be challenged to face your fears. If you want to gain the full measure of your power, this is what you must do. The secret to overcoming fears is to look straight at them and to take direct action free of excessive thoughts.

LEO (JUL 23 – AUG 23)

Deep in your lair hides a chamber of secrets. Pioneering courage and bold

resolve will be needed to keep your eyes open. Imaginative intuition and/or psychic sensitivity may be required to see and understand what is actually there. Yes, there is magic and mystery in the matrix. So, will it be the red or the blue pill?

VIRGO (AUG 24 – SEP 22)

The power of thoughts and words is the spell that we cast to co-create. In the 'holodeck' of life, the grand hypnosis of the Great Spirit, we do possess powers. There is a reason abracadabra and alahkazam are the magical words of tales of wizards and magicians controlling elements and creatures and casting spells. It is time to learn to use your magic in new and wonderful ways. Make it so!

LIBRA (SEP 23 – OCT 22)

What is that potion you are concocting? An elixir of love! You want more of what feels good! You want to break through to the other side, but of what other side do you speak? Is it the high side, the deep side the other side, inside...? Sounds like a treat; but is it a trick? Ah, a magical elixir producing powerful pleasures. Yes please!

SCORPIO (OCT 23 – NOV 21)

A special light is being emitted from those dark eyes, that penetrating gaze that hypnotizes lovers to obey commands. Seeing through and beyond appearances to the inner reaches where soul dwells wrapped up in sweet feelings is the technique of which I speak. You do possess this power, use it well, or learn how to.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 22 – DEC 21)

Who's behind the mask? That superhero garb does suit you well. The lightning strike does the trick too. Oh, I see, you are a changeling. Now there is some real power. You are here to shake the establishment to liberate the truth. Thank you! That could cause quite a mess. Yes, I guess it is the way karma works. But, who are you really?

CAPRICORN (DEC 22 – JAN 19)

Will it be the love of power or the power of love that guides your march? The climb to power can be so long and hard and the time to enjoy it so short and the price to pay the debt so high. How can anyone reason it to be worth while? Especially when the power of love is so freely available! Yes, desires for power and the urge to control do have their play in the game. Here's the dice.

AQUARIUS (JAN 20 – FEB 19)

Jokers are wild and there are jesters and fools and magicians and even a few spooks in the deck. Everyone gets dealt a hand whether they like it or not. The cards you get are not as important as how you play. Now is the time to dig into your bag of tricks. Pay attention to all the signs and signals crossing the table. By the way, you have to wear a crazy hat to play.

PISCES (FEB 20 – MAR 20)

Something strange, this way comes; a tale of mystery and suspense. Don't be afraid, it's natural at this time of year. The transformation you are about to undergo will not last forever. What's a half dozen years in the scope of a lifetime anyway? The good news is that you will emerge changed and better than before. Just one last thing, if you happen to know of any angels you can call upon for help; this would be a good time.

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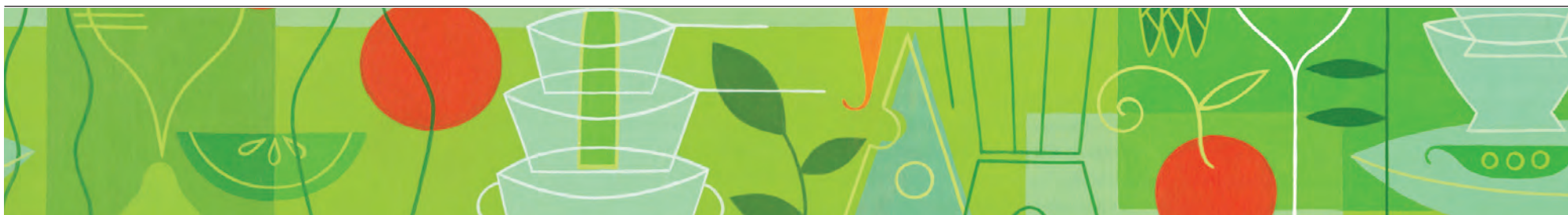
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Arts & Entertainment



PROFESSIONAL DANCE

Double bill dance event powers up

Nov. 5 the night for Light & Metal

BY MEGHAN HOWCROFT
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

If islanders have yet to try out a contemporary dance show at ArtSpring, the upcoming production of Light & Metal will be one experience not to be missed.

Tara Cheyenne of Tara Cheyenne Performance and Day Helesic of MovEnt will bring their co-production Light & Metal to the stage on Thursday, Nov. 5.

Catching up with the two Vancouver-based dancers in between dates of their Made in B.C. tour, they spoke about what brought them together for the two pieces — bANGER and Surge — in this exciting double bill.

Although the two dancers, who are friends and colleagues, create work that is very different, it is also very similar in its aesthetics in terms of power and dynamic movement. “bANGER and Surge are both dealing with power, but in different ways,” explained Cheyenne.

Cheyenne’s bANGER, rated one of the top shows of 2006 by the Vancouver Sun, is an extraordinarily entertaining dance-theatre hybrid that follows its main character Ivan — a teenager deeply into heavy metal music — through the fast-paced and painful world of high school. Through a playful mix of movement and dialogue, Cheyenne tells the story of his challenges as a social reject surrounding girls, bullying and life as a “banger.”

“bANGER is an idea that’s been simmering in the back of my creative mind for a long time,” said Cheyenne, whose background is in both theatre and dance.

“When I was in high school, I was into heavy metal . . . and [as an adult] I still see a lot of these teenage kids, especially boys, who are still kind of outcast even though metal is a massive genre.”

Cheyenne, whose specialty is character-driven solo work, thought it would be fun and fascinating to play a 16-year-old head-banging boy.

“Strangely enough, it’s a very natural character for me,” she said. “He’s vulnerable and he’s exploring his power and powerlessness. I’m always interested in how we cope as individuals with the struggles in life. Plus, I really like to bang my head!”

In the second dance piece, dancers Helesic, Amber Funk Barton and Meredith Kalaman delve into an investigation of power in the more abstract and contemporary Surge.

Helesic, who choreographed the dynamic piece, describes it as “playing with the ideas of physical industry, machines, industrial soundscapes, electricity and the power that comes from these sources, as well as how this reflects on interpersonal relationships.”

“The movement style is very



“They dance one thing, they say another. It’s a way of revealing contradiction.”

TARA CHEYENNE
Dancer and Choreographer

kinetic and very dynamic,” said Helesic.

“It’s very much full throttle with lots of energy. We’re pretty tired by the end of it, but it’s lots of fun.”

A co-production that combines more abstract dance with dance-theatre is a great way to introduce contemporary dance to an audience, the dancers explained. Contemporary dance usually does not have much text or dialogue between characters, and for Helesic it is a physical exploration which is movement based and movement driven.

“A lot of emotional states are expressed physically through the body,” she said.

In comparison, audiences encounter a definitive narrative in dance-theatre, Cheyenne explained. “It’s like the difference between a portrait painting and an abstract painting. Dance-theatre is more recognizable in a way, at least on a more literal level.”

Dance, for Cheyenne, is a fan-

tastic vehicle for saying the unsayable things within a character. “They dance one thing, they say another. It’s a way of revealing contradiction.”

Light & Metal will no doubt be extremely entertaining.

“It’s very accessible to a broad demographic of people,” agreed Helesic. “bANGER is hilarious and there are moments of comedy, moments of great drama and great dancing.”

In Surge, Helesic feels there is an accessibility found in the power of the body and the sheer physicality of what the three dancers are doing. Exciting lighting will also provide some wow factor.

“This sense of light sculpture is very appealing and very dramatic. And with the layers of industrial soundscape on top of beautiful piano melodies . . . there’s something for everyone.”

The show, which provides islanders the opportunity to take in some high-calibre dancing, is also an appealing production for young people.

“There is some coarse language in bANGER, but I think as a teenager, you’ve most likely heard it all before,” Helesic laughed.

For more information on Tara Cheyenne Performance or MovEnt, and for sneak peeks of the upcoming show, check out www.movent.ca, www.taracheyenne.com or madeinbc.org.

Tickets (\$24) are available through the ArtSpring ticket centre at 250-537-2102.

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Tara Cheyenne performs in bANGER, rated one of the top shows of 2006 by the Vancouver Sun.

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SPIRITUALITY

Crystal bowl, planet gong event visits with colour interpretation

Special event at Salt Spring Centre of Yoga on Monday

BY PINDICA JEHMAN
 SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

On Nov. 2, David Hickey of Crystal Journey will be performing a crystal bowl and planet gong concert at the Salt Spring Centre of Yoga.

He intends "to create expansive, improvised and beautiful music, to awaken consciousness, to promote peace, and to restore balance of the self and the planet."

Accompanying Hickey will be artist Eden Martin, who will provide a live colour interpretation of the music.

Hickey will have his usual set-up, which includes 15 to 20 quartz crystal bowls, eight to 18 Paiste Planet gongs, a vibraphone and an assortment of other tuned percussion instruments.

Nothing will be amplified, pre-recorded or rehearsed. Each set and performance is sonically pure and unique.

Hickey's show on Salt Spring is part of his "50 shows in 100 days" tour. He knows that Salt Spring is built in part on a bed of crystal quartz.

"And it will absolutely affect the performance," he adds. "It will be an incredible evening of pure tones and vibration. I suspect the instruments will tune the island, as well as the reverse. Each place I am playing on this tour has been activated in a big way, some subtly and others very noticeably."

Crystal bowls came to Hickey in 2002, and he's spent the last seven years assembling his current instrumental line-up, as well as adding Paiste Planet gongs three years ago.

"After hearing my first tone I knew that my life would not be the same," said Hickey.

"It was as if I heard music of the heavens and then the gongs brought me to an ancient place such as Lemuria or outer space, and the tones are the sound I have been searching for my entire life."

Many cultures recognize the importance of music and sound as healing power. In the ancient civilizations of India, the Orient, Africa and among the aboriginals and American Indians, the practice of using sound to heal and achieve balance from within has existed for many years.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

David Hickey of Crystal Journey.

The Tibetans still use bells, chimes, bowls and chanting as the foundation of their spiritual practice.

In Bali, Indonesia, the echoing gamelang, gong and drum are used in ceremonies to uplift and send messages.

The Australian aboriginals and Native American shamans use vocal toning and repetitive sound vibration with instruments created from nature in sacred ceremony to adjust any imbalance of spirit.

The priests of ancient Egypt knew how to use vowel sounds to resonate their energy centres or chakras.

There is a direct link between different parts of the body and specific sounds. Such a technique appears extremely old, yet healing through sounds goes back even further — at least as far back as Atlantis, where the power of sound was combined with the power of crystal.

Each crystal bowl is made of 99.8 per cent silicon quartz. One reason why the pure tones vibrate our body is that it has a natural affinity to quartz.

The human body is composed of many crystallite substances: the bones, blood and DNA are crystalline in structure, as well as the liquid crystal-colloidal structure of the brain.

Even on a molecular level, our cells contain silica, which balances our electro-magnetic energies, and this is the same formula as natural quartz crystal.

As for those thinking of attending the show, Hickey said, "This is the music of the spheres and I have never heard anything like this, nor is anyone doing this that I know of in the manner I'm doing it. It's very special, and I am humbled at each performance of how incredible the tones and sound are — and the response from those attending."

Hickey has been performing throughout Canada and the U.S. for over six years, with hundreds of shows to date, and six CDs released.

Show time is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$20 at the door and \$10 for children. More information is available at <http://www.crystaljourney.ca>.

ISLAND STAR VIDEO presents...

Flick Pick



Dead Snow — fun horror

Really, the review for Dead Snow needs only say two words: zombie nazis. If that sounds like a good time to you, rent the movie. If not, watch something else. Done!

But I've got to say something else to fill up the allotted 400 words. Let's start with a little more detail: Dead Snow is a Norwegian zombie movie that begins with a group of medical students heading up to a cabin in the mountains for a little downtime.

So, they're up there drinking beers, playing Twister, having a little sex, you know the drill. A grizzled local shows up spouting tales of a Nazi platoon based around there in World War II, driven to the hills by an angry mob never to be seen from again. The kids say "yeah, whatever, Pops" and go on partying.

Of course, zombie nazis show up in full regalia, hungry for blood and on the lookout for stolen treasure. This is where the fun starts . . . stabbings, bitings, tumbling intestines, crushed skulls, bisected skulls, skulls smushed by snowmobiles, and so on. We start with seven humans, and God knows how many zombies. Want to guess who wins? Let's just get first things first: Dead

Snow is not a great film. It's more of a movie, if you get my drift. There isn't an inch of depth to the story, despite the potential for political commentary in having a bunch of semi-spoiled university brats having to fight off undead versions of the most evil regime in our planet's history. Oh wait, there was a joke about one of the characters being Jewish, but I don't know if that quite counts as subtext.

However, it is a pretty damned good time once the first half-hour or so (i.e. character development, who cares about that?) is over with and the grey goosesteppers have made their first official appearance. It's not just a matter of the absolutely stupendous amount of goeey redness splashed across the screen, either, though the excess in gore plays more favourably here than it does in some zombie movies.

It all comes down to sense of humour and comic timing, and young director Tommy Wirkola has both in spades. Somehow he negotiates between the silliness of the gore and the bleakness of the landscape to create an experience that encapsulates the tension-and-release essence of "fun" horror.

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LIVE THEATRE



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Cast members of Having Hope at Home [rehearse] in the Portlock Park portable for their upcoming Salt Spring Community Theatre production.

Importance of family is theme of Having Hope at Home play

Salt Spring Community Theatre presents Canadian comedy

BY LAUREN ANDERSON
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Humour. Without it life would be one long and dull ride. The Bingham family is nothing short of funny and doesn't stop before you hit complicated. Disagreements will happen in any family, but strong ones can all pull together when someone needs a helping hand.

The comedy *Having Hope at Home* tells the story of a young woman, Carolyn Bingham (Christina Penhale), who has abandoned her life in the city and moved to the country to live with her French-Canadian boyfriend Michel (Colin Beamish) and her grandfather Rus-

sell (Rusty Marshall). Carolyn grows tired of the silence between her and her parents and hosts a dinner. The only snag is that Carolyn goes into labour a short while before her parents arrive.

Bill Bingham (Dave Phillips) is head of gynecology at City Hospital, and his wife Jane (Mary Lowery) is a class "A" socialite and heavily involved in fundraising for gynecology.

They spend their lives putting pregnant women into hospitals, ensuring the best deliveries. Both parents, being well educated and proper, strongly disapprove of Carolyn and her life in the country.

For most of the play Carolyn tries to hide her pregnancy from her uptight father and extremely conservative socialite mother. But when her midwife Dawn Shaw (Wendy

Beatty), arrives on scene, the charade is over.

No matter how hard we try to hide the secrets and skeletons in our closets during our lifetime, they all seem to come spilling out eventually, littering the floor in chaos. This brings emotions to a boil and steam pouring from our ears. *Having Hope at Home* reminds us that no matter how much we may disagree with our loved ones, in the end when hope may seem lost, things end up going smoothly. Life is one huge shot in the dark, but once you find the right door or path, there's something bright behind it, showing us that life is everywhere. You just have to look and love.

Having Hope at Home is being produced by Salt Spring Community Theatre under the direction of Therin Gower.

Christmas is fast

approaching and this play is a great reminder that family is one of the most important parts of our life, if not the most.

The opening night for *Having Hope at Home* will be Friday, Nov. 6 at 8 p.m. at Mahon Hall.

It runs Nov. 7, 13 and 14, at 8 p.m. There will be a Sunday matinee on Nov. 15 at 2 p.m.

Drama is a huge part of our world. For some it's an escape, others a form of expression and, better yet, it's there to get a message out.

For people interested in theatre, contact Anne Stewart at 250-537-9250.

WEEKEND EVENTS

Coming Nov. 7, 8-11pm
Rock: Paxton Bachman
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MUSIC AND MUNCH

Remembrance Day honoured in music and readings at M&M event

The Music, The Memories set for next Wednesday

On Wednesday, Nov. 4, the Music and Munch presentation at All Saints continues the tradition of dedicating November's program to observing Remembrance Day through music and poetry.

In a program titled *The Music, The Memories*, Music Makers of the Anglican Parish will remember the ongoing sufferings of victims of war and honour those who make the ultimate sacrifice, losing their lives in the perennial pursuit of peace.

"Music rekindles memories of good times, bad times, times of loss, but also times of joy, of vision, of hope, of love," states a Music Makers press release.

"Through music and poetry we share with each other the simple truth that memory is part of us all."

Islanders are invited to participate throughout this presentation, as readings of wartime memories will be interwoven with familiar songs of hope and faith.

This year, pianist David Storm and organist Joan Warren will accompany vocalists Connie Holmes, Betty Rothwell, Alan Robertson and Anke Steele, readers Terry Ison and Lottie Devindisch and the audience in a poignant annual remembrance gathering.

Music for the free event begins at 12:10 p.m.

Tickets for the optional lunch following are available at the door before the start of the program.

LIGHT & METAL

TWO PIECES FROM THE CUTTING EDGE OF CONTEMPORARY DANCE
Tara Cheyenne's **BANGER** | Day Helesic's **SURGE**
THURSDAY, NOV 5 - 8:00PM

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Capital Regional District

**Notice Of Other Voting**North Pender Island Referendum Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service Area
Water Treatment & Water Systems Upgrades

Take notice that below is a copy of the proposed bylaw for which the electors of Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service Area, on North Pender Island, in the Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area, will be asked to vote on the following question on **Saturday, November 14, 2009**:

"Are you in favour of the Capital Regional District Board adopting Bylaw No. 3633, "Magic Lake Estates Water System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2009" to authorize the borrowing of up to \$2,560,000 for upgrading water treatment and water systems for the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service. YES or NO?"

Capital Regional District Bylaw No. 3633

A Bylaw to Authorize the Borrowing of Two Million, Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$2,560,000) for Upgrading Water Treatment and Water Systems for the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service

WHEREAS:

- A. Under Bylaw No. 1874, "Outer Gulf Islands Magic Lake Estates Water System Local Service Establishment Bylaw, 1990", the Capital Regional District established a local service for the supply, treatment, conveyance, storage and distribution of water for the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service;
- B. The assent of the electors of the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service is required pursuant to Section 801.2 of the Local Government Act;
- C. It is deemed desirable to provide proper facilities hereunder described in accordance with the service of water supply and distribution;
- D. The work shall include upgrading of the existing water distribution and storage facilities and construction of a new water treatment plant and ancillary works by the planning, study, design and construction of a system of water supply, conveyance, treatment, storage, distribution of water and other related works, facilities and equipment purchases;
- E. Other funding sources shall be used to fund part of the desired works;
- F. The estimated cost of the works, facilities and equipment, including expenses incidental thereto to be funded from debt servicing, is the sum of Two Million, Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$2,560,000) which is the amount of debt intended to be authorized by this bylaw;
- G. It is proposed that the financing of the said water facilities is to be undertaken by the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia pursuant to proposed agreements between that Authority and the Capital Regional District;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The Board is hereby empowered and authorized to undertake and carry out or cause to be carried out the planning, study, design and construction of works for the provision of the facilities and equipment herein before described and to do all things necessary in connection therewith and without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
 - (a) to borrow upon the credit of the Regional District a sum not exceeding Two Million, Five Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$2,560,000);
 - (b) to acquire all such real property, easements, rights-of-way, leases, licenses, rights or authorities as may be requisite or desirable for or in connection with the planning, study, design and construction of a system of water supply, conveyance, treatment, storage and distribution of water and all related ancillary works, studies and equipment deemed necessary by the Board.
2. The maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure the debt intended to be created by this bylaw is 15 years.

Purpose of Bylaw No. 3633 - To authorize the borrowing of up to \$2,560,000 to provide funds toward upgrading water treatment and water systems for the Magic Lake Estates water local service. The upgrades include replacing the Buck Lake and Magic Lake water treatment plants by a single new plant, in order to meet current regulatory requirements, improvements to the water distribution system and improvements to the Buck Lake dam. The total estimated cost of all these upgrades is \$8,812,500. An infrastructure grant of \$5,250,000 has been received for the treatment plant and distribution system upgrades

Taxation Impact of Bylaw No. 3633 - The annual costs to operate the new infrastructure and the borrowing of up to \$2,560,000 are expected to be accommodated within the current parcel tax charged to property owners.

A copy of the complete bylaw and this notice may be viewed at the following offices of the Capital Regional District (CRD) from October 14 to November 13, 2009, during regular office hours, excluding statutory holidays:

- CRD Headquarters, 625 Fisgard Street, 1st Floor - Foyer, Victoria, BC Tel: 250.360.3129 or 1.800.663.4425 local 3129, Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- CRD Building Inspection, (North Pender Island), 4605 Bedwell Harbour Road (Driftwood Centre), Pender Island, BC, Tel: 250.629.3424, Mon., Wed., Fri., 8:30 am to Noon, 1 - 4:30 pm
- The bylaw, and other information, may also be viewed on the CRD website at www.crd.bc.ca/about/elections/referenda.htm

Voting Opportunities

Qualified electors may vote at the following places:

- On General Voting Day for Other Voting: **Saturday, November 14, 2009 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm:**
- Pender Islands School, 5714 Canal Road, Pender Island, BC

On Advance Voting Days for Other Voting: **Wednesday, November 4, 2009 and Thursday, November 12, 2009 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm:**

- Pender Islands School, 5714 Canal Road, Pender Island, BC

Elector Qualifications

You are entitled to vote as a **Resident Elector or Non-Resident Property Elector** if you:

- are 18 years or older on voting day (November 14, 2009)
- are a Canadian Citizen
- have resided in British Columbia for six months

• and either

1. **have resided in the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service area** on North Pender Island for 30 days. If registering as a Resident Elector on voting day, you must provide two documents proving identity and residency, one of which must have a signature; OR

2. **have owned and held registered title to property within the boundaries of the Magic Lake Estates Water Local Service area** on North Pender Island for 30 days, and do not qualify as a Resident Elector. Only one Non-Resident Property Elector may vote per property regardless of the number of owners. You may vote for only one property no matter how many properties you own in the service area. If registering as a Non-Resident Property Elector on voting day, you must provide the following information:

- a recent land title registration of the real property OR a property tax notice, which will show the names of all the registered owners, and
- 2 pieces of identification (one of which must have a signature), and
- in the case of more than one owner of the property, a completed consent form signed by the majority of the owners designating you as the person entitled to vote for the property.

A copy of the consent form and information on acceptable classes of documents for proof of identity are available on the Internet: www.crd.bc.ca/about/elections/voting.htm

Thomas F. Moore has been appointed Chief Election Officer for the purpose of taking and recording the vote of electors. For questions regarding voting and voter registration call the Capital Regional District @ 250.360.3129 or Toll Free 1.800.663.4425 local 3129, or Mr. Tom Moore @ 250.472.0059.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2009

Thomas F. Moore
Chief Election Officer

WORKSHOPDancer
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sense of
humour
heads up
session

Internal
characters lured
out at Nov. 4
workshop

Dancers and physical theatre artists have an amazing learning opportunity when well-known choreographer Tara Cheyenne leads a workshop on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

Hosted by Anna Haltrecht, ArtSpring's dance outreach coordinator, the workshop is aimed at dancers and physical theatre artists.

"In the format of a dance class, participants will delve deeper into finding the characters that live within all of us and play with luring them out through movement and dance," said Haltrecht. "Focus, perspective and relationship on stage will also be explored."

The workshop runs on the ArtSpring stage from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the night before Cheyenne's performance in the Light & Metal dance show at ArtSpring.

Cheyenne has been creating, performing and teaching for more than 15 years.

Her technique is an eclectic mix of classical and contemporary styles with improvisation and an extreme theatrical sensibility.

Cheyenne's studies include dance, theatre and yoga. She was nominated for a Jessie for her choreography of the hit Urinetown: the Musical in Vancouver.

Haltrecht says Cheyenne is well known for her highly physical, character-driven solo works that uniquely blend movement and text.

"She is an audience favourite wherever she performs. What is especially refreshing with Tara is that she has a wonderful sense of humour. Her characters are very funny."

The workshop, which costs \$20, is made possible through the support of ArtSpring and Made in BC.

Registration for the workshop is through the ArtSpring ticket centre, 250-537-2102.

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HARVEST SOUND: Kim and Phil entertain guests at Salt Spring Vineyards during the Grape Harvest Stomp on Saturday.

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HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Halloween: for kids of all ages

From Spooktacular bash to annual Fun Fest

For the whole family:

- SS Cooperative Preschool presents **Winnie the Pooh's Halloween Night**, a fundraiser screening at The Fritz on Wednesday, Oct. 28. Appropriate for three and four year olds, the show starts at 6 p.m. and doors open at 5:30 p.m.

- Trick-or-treaters are invited to show off their festive Halloween attire at **Greenwoods**, 133 Blain Rd., from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

- The Community Gospel Chapel welcomes community members to its 16th annual **Family Fun Fest**, 5 to 7 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 31. The free admission event offers face painting, skill-testing games, candy and the famous cake walk. Kids under 12 should come with an adult.

- To celebrate the traditional end of the year in farming cultures, **Tales from Beyond the Veil** offers a lantern procession and seasonal stories about the time when the veils between the worlds

were at their thinnest. The Oct. 31 procession begins at Barb's Bakery and Bistro at 6 p.m. and winds up in time for fireworks.

- **Fireworks** at Halloween are a B.C. tradition not to be missed. Presented by the Salt Spring Fire Department at Ganges Harbour at 8 p.m., stick around for post-display hot dogs and hot chocolate at the Ganges fire hall.

The fourth show in the **5 Elements Series** celebrates the elements of Metal/Air at Beaver Point Hall on Saturday, Oct. 31. Whether they call it Samhain, Feast of the Dead, Feast of Souls or Halloween, participants can dance to the grooves of Jermis, Andrew from Interchill, Prodigal Sun, Firewoodpoetry, Oasis and Samba Du Soleil while raising funds and awareness for the Seed & Plant Sanctuary for Canada. Prizes will be given for the best and craziest costume creations. Doors open at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$20 at the door, \$15 before 10 p.m.

Just for adults:

The Rotary Club's annual Halloween Casino and **Spooktacu-**

lar Bash takes place Friday, Oct. 30 at the Farmers' Institute from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Featuring the swinging tunes of Uncle Jim's Big Blues Band, the event will include prizes for costumes and a late evening snack table. Tickets must be purchased in advance, and are available for \$20 from Manulife Securities, Pemberton Holmes, The Local and Raven Street Market Cafe. All proceeds help fund local Rotary projects.

The Fritz Cinema offers special presentations of the **Rocky Horror Picture Show** on Oct. 30 and 31 at 10 p.m. With limited seating to accommodate the dance floor, guests wanting to do the Time Warp again are advised to pick up their tickets soon. Tickets must be purchased in advance from Salt Spring Books for \$10. Minors 18 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Moby's Marine Grill will host a pumpkin-carving contest on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 2 to 4 p.m., while later that evening the **Angry Hippies** will propel the dance floor. Great prizes for best costumes.



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What's On This Week

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Wed. Oct. 28

ACTIVITIES
Winnie the Pooh's Halloween Night. Movie night fundraiser for Salt Spring Cooperative Preschool. The Fritz Theatre. 6 p.m.
The Diabetes Fat-Fibre Connection. Presentation by Ann Cardiff, Lady Minto Hospital dietician at SS Seniors Services Society. 2 p.m.
SS Garden Club Meeting. Harry Burton of Apple Luscious Organic Orchard is the guest speaker. Meaden Hall. 7 to 9 p.m.
Swing Dance Class. For beginners. Every Wednesday at Mahon Hall, 7 to 9 p.m., until Nov. 18.
Smear Campaign Against Cervical Cancer. Pap tests by appointment with Drs. McPhail and Ryan daily to Oct. 30 (even for women who are not their patients). 250-537-0693.

Thurs. Oct. 29

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Delhi to Dublin. Winners of the Outstanding World Music Recording at the 2009 Western Canadian Music Awards. Beaver Point Hall. 8 p.m. to midnight.
Raffi CD Celebration. ArtSpring gallery. Doors at 6:30 p.m., music at 7 p.m. Wine and cheese. All-ages event.
Open Mic. The Local. 8 p.m.
Fulford Open Mike Night. Fulford Inn on Thursdays.
Thursday Night Blues. KC Kelly at Moby's. 8-11 p.m.
ACTIVITIES
Journeys of Discovery: Around the British Isles by Canoe and the Canadian Arctic on Skis. Adventurer Chris Cooper shares stories from his journeys. Community Gospel Chapel. 7:30 p.m.
Pleasure Craft Operator Card Courses. Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Unit 25 is offering a course to help you prepare for your PCOC test. Room S107 at GISS. 2:30-6 p.m. Info/registration: Tom McKeachie, tymck@telus.net or 250-537-5637.
Smear Campaign Against Cervical Cancer. See Wednesday listing.
Fundamentals of Weather Course. SS Sailing Club. 7-9 p.m. Pre-register at 250-537-5377.

Fri. Oct. 30

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Spooktacular Annual Casino and Dance. Featuring Uncle Jim's Big Blues Band. Costume prizes. Farmers Institute. Advance tix only.
Alan Miceli. Guitarist performs at Harbour House. 7:30-10 p.m.
ACTIVITIES
An Evening with Brian Keating & Arthur Black. A Greenwood's Foundation celebration at ArtSpring. Hosted reception at 7 p.m., program at 8 p.m.
Library StoryTime: F is for Fright! Halloween stories. Masks and costumes welcome. For children in early grades and preschoolers. 1 p.m. at the library.
Smear Campaign Against Cervical Cancer. See Wednesday listing.
Rollerblading. Fridays at Fulford Hall. 7:30 to 9 p.m.
Keith's Tango Practica. Fridays at the Core Inn, 3rd floor. 8-10 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 31

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Susan Aglukark. Juno-winning performing artist at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.
Angry Hippies. Rock at Moby's. Halloween event — costumes and prizes. 8 to 11 p.m.
Halloween - Metal/Air. Part of the 5 Elements series of Seed Sanctuary fundraisers featuring Jerns, Andrew Interchill, and more. Beaver Point Hall. Doors at 8 p.m.
ACTIVITIES
Olympic Torch Visits Salt Spring. Community celebration in Centennial Park with free food, music, face painting & prizes. 1 p.m. Torch arrives at Coast Guard dock around 2:30 p.m. and travels along Fulford-Ganges Rd. to Village Terrace.
16th Annual Family Fun Fest. Halloween fun at Community Gospel Chapel. Cake walk, games, face painting and free candy. 5-7 p.m.
Halloween at Greenwood's. Trick-or-treaters are invited to Greenwood's, 6-7:30 p.m.
Tales from Beyond the Veil. Lantern procession & tales. Meet at Barb's Buns at 6 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 31

ACTIVITIES
Halloween Fireworks. SS Fire Department puts on fireworks display in Ganges Harbour. 8 p.m. Followed by hot dogs and hot chocolate at the Ganges fire hall.
CFUW Meeting. With guest speakers Jan Micklethwaite and Dave Grant on the 2008 David Thompson Brigade. Harbour House. 10 a.m.
What an Artist Needs to Know in Mixed Media. First day of 2-day SSI Painters Guild workshop with Donna Baspaly. www.ssipaintersguild.com
Sun. Nov. 01
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
The Barley Brothers. Fulford Inn. 6:30 p.m.
Live Jazz. At Moby's. 7-10 p.m.
ACTIVITIES
Gala Evening. Fundraiser for I-SEA and SOLID. Music, food and huge silent auction. Harbour House Hotel. 6:30 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 02

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Crystal Bowl & Planet Gong Concert. With David Hickey, accompanied by Eden Martin providing a live colour interpretation of the music. Salt Spring Centre of Yoga. 7:30 p.m.
ACTIVITIES
Knitting Group. Meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at Stitches Quilt Shop. 2:30 p.m. Info: Dawne, 250-537-0738.
Floor Hockey. Mondays at Fulford Hall. 7 p.m. \$5. Info: Peter McFarlane - 250-653-9997.
Homeopathy Walk-in Clinic. Arbutus Therapy Centre. 9 a.m. to noon. Info: 250-537-4728.
Toastmasters. Mondays at the Crofton Room at the Harbour House. 7 p.m. Speaking & leadership skills. Guests welcome!

Tues. Nov. 03

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Sacred Mbira & Songs from Zimbabwe. By traditional musician James Mujuru and special preview of a new documentary: Masango Dema Cultural Centre. Seven Ravens Farm at 1641 Fulford-Ganges Rd. 6:30 p.m. RSVP to singmeanimage@yahoo.ca or 250-653-9903.
Wed. Nov. 04
ACTIVITIES
Dance Workshop. Finding the characters within - for dancers and physical theatre artists, with Tara Cheyenne. ArtSpring. 5:30-7:30 p.m. Registration through ArtSpring at 250-537-2102.
Clarity & Radiance. SSI Painters Guild workshop with Suzanne Prendergast. ArtSpring, 9 a.m. to noon. See www.ssipaintersguild.com for details.
Swing Dance Class. See last Wednesday's listing.
Pleasure Craft Operator Card Courses. See Thursday listing.

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 Julie & Julia - Based on two true stories, "Julie & Julia" intertwines the lives of two women who, though separated by time and space, are both at loose ends until they discover that with the right combination of passion, fearlessness and butter, anything is possible. Stars Meryl Streep & Amy Adams.
Halloween! special presentation of **The Rocky Horror Picture Show** Oct. 30th & 31st; tickets available only at Salt Spring Books & only in advance! Very limited seating for both shows to accommodate a dance floor!

- EXHIBITIONS**
- **J. Mitchell Gallery's Fall Exhibition 2009** includes new work by Gerda Lattey, Karen Reiss and from the estate of LeRoy Jensen. Open daily in Grace Point Square.
 - **The Mardi Mob artists** — Sylvia Andrews, Jose Campbell, R.M. Dupuy, Judy Fry, Jeanne Lyons, Maureen Milburn, Margarite Sanchez, Deirdre Tessman — exhibit portraits painted, drawn and sculpted from life over the past year in their Tuesday group in the open space at ArtSpring till the end of October.
 - **Salt Spring Artists' Gallery of Fine Art** is now open at 135 McPhillips Avenue.
 - The October show at **Salt Spring Coffee Company** cafe is **Charles Breth: Drawings**.
 - **Jim Standen** shows Salt Spring Island vegetable photos on the walls of **Bruce's Kitchen** until Nov. 15.
 - **Louis Renaud** shows photographs at **Island Savings Credit Union**.
 - **Paintings by Andrew Gibbs** are hanging at **Cafe Talia**.
 - Photos by **Shari Macdonald** grace the walls at **Jana's Bake Shop**.

Our Calendar - on your smartphone

On your smartphone, go to getscanlife.com and download the free software. Use the scanlife software to take photos or scan the barcode. Information in the barcode will direct your mobile browser to the on-line version of the Driftwood's What's On Calendar.

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THEY'RE BACK: Delhi 2 Dublin members are ready to bring their upbeat Celtic-Indian fusion music to Beaver Point Hall on Thursday, Oct. 29. DJ Desunsos opens with beats at about 8 p.m.

Powerful dance night, reggae legend open November on ArtSpring stage

Fall feast of enticements

• **Light & Metal** — Thursday, Nov. 5, 8 p.m. Two Vancouver dance companies in an exciting double bill of new dance. Surge is an exploration of power in all its incarnations — power of the human body, power of industry, and the power that one human can have over another. (See story, page B1)

• **Clinton Fearon Reggae Concert** — Friday, Nov. 6, 8 p.m. Clinton Fearon is a living legend of roots reggae music. With the accompaniment of guitarist Mark Oi, Fearon is bringing the intimate sound of his acoustic album on tour in Canada for the first time for a reggae concert experience like no other. (See story on this page.)

• **Turandot** (Metropolitan Opera - Live in HD) — Saturday, Nov. 7, 10 a.m. Director Franco Zeffirelli's breathtaking production of Puccini's last opera is a favourite of the Met repertoire. Maria Guleghina plays the ruthless Chinese princess of the title, whose hatred of men is so strong that she has all suitors who can't solve her riddles beheaded. Marcello Giordani sings Calaf, the unknown prince who eventually wins her love and whose solos include the famous "Nessun dorma."

• **Marc Djokic** — Thursday, Nov. 12, 8 p.m. Marc Djokic is one of Canada's brightest rising star violinists. A native of Halifax now

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living in Montreal, he has won every classical music award in Atlantic Canada, as well as many national ones. As a recipient of a Canada Council Grant for Musicians he has been awarded the use of a fine 1820 Joannes Franciscus Pressenda violin. His recital at ArtSpring, with pianist Julien LeBlanc, will include music by Gershwin, Brahms, Prokofiev and Richard Mascal. Pre-concert chat at 7 p.m.

• **The Nylons Christmas Show** — Tuesday, Nov. 24, 7:30 p.m. Celebrate the holiday season with The Nylons, featuring seasonal favourites such as White Christmas, Joy to the World and God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen in a vibrant concert that includes their classics The Lion Sleeps Tonight, Silhouettes, Up On The Roof. With over three million in sales and seven gold and platinum recordings, this four-member vocal group is a true international success story. Known for their great cappella sound, dazzling harmonies and smooth arrangements, the group's immense appeal has taken them across North America, Europe, Australia and Asia. The Nylons continue to perform worldwide to passionate audi-

ences and critical acclaim. www.thenylons.com.

• **Yegor Dyachov** — Wednesday, Nov. 25, 8 p.m. The gifted young Canadian cellist Yegor Dyachov visited ArtSpring last season as part of the Triple Forte piano trio. We bring him back now as a soloist (with accompanist Jean Saulnier) in a wonderful evening of cello music including Brahms sonatas and two of the Bach suites. A winner of the Orford International Competition, Dyachov is in ever-growing demand as a recitalist in Canada, Europe and beyond. Pre-concert chat at 7 p.m.

• **Russell Braun** — Saturday, Nov. 28, 8 p.m. Canadian opera sensation Russell Braun may call Toronto home, but you'll more likely find him singing major roles at the Met, l'Opéra de Paris, the State Opera in Vienna, the Chicago Lyric, Los Angeles Opera, La Scala, or the Salzburg or Glyndebourne Festivals. His recital work similarly spans the globe. You may have heard him on numerous recordings with Tafelmusik, the Boston Baroque, and Les Violons du Roy, and have certainly heard him in Beethoven Lives Upstairs. Russell Braun's ArtSpring recital will rival Ben Heppner's 2007 appearance for sheer musical excitement. "A searching musician, Braun also has one of the world's most beautiful baritone voices." — New York Newsday. Garry Oaks Winery Tasting at 7 p.m.

CONCERTS Jamaican roots reggae legend on tap

Clinton Fearon in concert

Clinton Fearon, a musician known as a living legend of roots reggae music, will visit Salt Spring with an appearance at ArtSpring on Friday, Nov. 6.

The Jamaican artist began as the well-known bassist, vocalist and lyricist for The Gladiators, as well as being a house musician for Studio One and Lee "Scratch" Perry's Black Ark Studio. In the late 1980s, Fearon relocated to Seattle where he released four albums with the Boogie Brown Band and later embarked on a journey never before undertaken by an accomplished reggae artist — he unplugged his guitar and ventured alone into the studio. Press material states the result has been called a musical masterpiece.

According to his website, in his 2008 release Faculty of Dub, Fearon gives vent to creative experimentation that builds upon his previous work.

The layered sounds, echoes and reverberations blend into songscapes evocative of the legendary Jamaican sound system engineers.

Coming from a rich musical history, Fearon's original lyrics and rock-steady, hard-driving stainless rhythms comprise the foundation of their music which appeals to people of all ages and from all walks of life. With the accompaniment of guitarist Mark Oi, Fearon is bringing the intimate sound of his acoustic album to ArtSpring for a reggae experience like no other.

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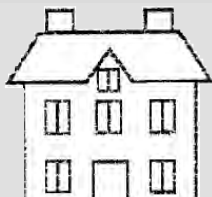
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

CONCERT REVIEW

Maxx and Bibb immerse audience in presence of musical greatness

All Souls Rising finale ends in ovation and community song

BY MEGHAN HOWCROFT
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Renowned legend Leon Bibb and local songstress Lisa Maxx took to the stage at ArtSpring last Thursday night as the grand finale of the black heritage celebrations, All Souls Rising, held on Salt Spring over the past week.

Introducing Bibb and Maxx, celebration co-organizer Evelyn White reminded us of the special contributions that musicians have made and continue to make in the fight for racial equality.

Even though two members of the band had to aid Bibb onstage in a rolling office chair and seat him shakily on a stool (it turned out Bibb had sprained his ankle earlier in the day), I immediately felt that we were in the presence of greatness.

"I'll do anything to upstage Lisa," he joked, after explaining the injury.

Three extraordinary Vancouver musicians (dubbed the A Team) provided flawless back-up throughout the night. Watching music director Bill Sample at the keyboard, I kept thinking, "man, that guy can play," as he tackled gospel, blues, jazz, folk and straight-up west coast with his own style and flare.

Bibb spoke about growing up in Louisville, Kentucky during a time when segregation between black and white people still

reigned supreme. As a child, Bibb recalled hearing a strange, repetitive sound coming over their fence one day. Thwack . . . thwack . . . thwack. Upon further inspection he saw a group of enslaved men swinging huge, heavy axes in rhythm.

Barely had this description fallen from Bibb's lips when suddenly his clear voice was rising up in song, cutting through the room with purpose and spirit. As he sang, it was as if he was back fully in that moment, that memory, and was telling us the story with his voice. As the last notes of the African spiritual faded away, the audience exhaled as one.

Bibb again had us holding our breath to catch every powerful moment when he sang, "Sometimes I feel like a motherless child . . . a long ways from home."

With the double bass grounding the melody and Bibb's beautiful, sad voice rising to the rafters, this is one number I won't soon forget. This man's voice has the power to move you, literally, and it commands you to hear the message behind the music.

Maxx held her own beside the great man, not only with her beautiful, soulful vocals but also with anecdotes about the folk movement and touching stories about her family and childhood. The songs she covered were beautifully sung, especially her touching rendition of Danny Boy that left Bibb, and probably many in the crowd, in tears. With a certain simplicity and fairly on-the-nose lyrics, the magic of Maxx's own compositions comes out in her beau-

tiful vocals: her voice carries both a vulnerability and raw power that combines for a quite surreal effect.

The two musicians treated us to soulful renditions of Swing Low Sweet Chariot and Hold Out Your Hand, sung in call and response with the audience. Together they performed the joyful tune I Ya, written for Maxx's daughter when she was one year old, and in a special moment that same daughter, now all grown up, shared the stage in song with her mom during Maxx's number Old House.

Bibb sang an exquisite version of Shenandoah/The Water is Wide as a tribute to longtime friend and renowned singer, actor, writer and social justice activist Paul Robeson, who passed away in 1976. He also spoke of his great-great-uncle Henry L. Bibb, an escaped slave who created the first black newspaper in Canada in 1851.

Bibb regaled us with stories of how Harriet Tubman, disguising herself and using spirituals like Follow the Drinking Gourd as coded messages, guided the way to freedom for over 70 escaped slaves, who followed the Underground Railroad to Canada.

The evening was educational, magical and spiritual, and after an honest-to-goodness standing ovation, their encore number This Little Light of Mine had the crowd on their feet (and half of them on the stage!) and left us remembering the connection we all share, regardless of colour or culture, and the power music has to elicit change.

DANCE

Lobby Dancers step up to stage milieu in curtain-raising show

Island group joins cutting-edge show

The Salt Spring community dancers known as the Lobby Dancers are ready to perform — this time, on stage.

The Lobby Dancers will be the curtain raiser for the next dance performance, Light & Metal, at ArtSpring on

Thursday, Nov. 5 at 8 p.m. (See separate story on page B1 of this Driftwood.)

"This is the second dance piece that has been created for the Lobby Dancers by Boston choreographer Danny McCusker," explained group co-leader Anna Haltrecht.

"Danny returned to Salt Spring last May and worked with the community dancers for a period of one week, creating the piece called Keep Talking.

"The dancers continued to develop the

work throughout the summer and fall, meeting for weekly class and rehearsal."

The evening's dancers will be Haltrecht, Alice Friedman, Isabelle Ma, Bobby Magee and Robbyn Scott.

"We are very happy to be dancing on stage with theatre lights and comfy seats for our audience," said Haltrecht.

Scott and Haltrecht continue teaching their dance classes on Tuesday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m.

New dancers are welcome and can call Hal-

trecht at 250-537-5681 for location information.

Light & Metal will feature two Vancouver dance companies, Tara Cheyenne performing a music-loving character in BANGER and MovEnt dancing their high-energy piece called Surge.

The Lobby Dance project is organized by Haltrecht and Scott with support from ArtSpring Dance Outreach, Made in BC, the Salt Spring Coffee Company, Antler Ridge Dance Studio and Cats Pajamas Studio.

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Community foundation salutes quarter-century mark

Salt Spring Island Foundation puts faces to grant funds

BY PAT BURKETTE
 DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Twenty-five years and \$950,000 may sum up the Salt Spring Island Foundation's legacy of giving, but representatives from 59 community organizations, generous donors and foundation volunteers fleshed out those figures at an anniversary celebration held at ArtSpring last Thursday.

"The community foundation is a very unique beast," said foundation chair Carol Biely. "What we really are is a steward of people's funds. We will look after it well and distribute it in the community. We are also a catalyst, able to help make things happen."

Biely noted Salt Spring's community of uber volunteers has fuelled the foundation's work for the past 25 years.

"A lot of people don't understand what a community foundation is," she said. "But this community does. We'll announce our fall grants next week, but tonight, let's celebrate Salt Spring!"

Biely singled out a trio of pro-active island volunteers who started up the foundation, plus a couple more who took their ball and ran with it.

"In 1984," she explained, "three people who were following up on John C. Lees' wish to creating a community foundation got together to start the Salt Spring Island Foundation — Colin Mouat, Richard Toynebee and Alan Pierce. By 1996, they had \$100,000 and had already distributed \$18,000. The



PHOTO BY PAT BURKETTE

Salt Spring Centre School students, from left, Emily Adam-Oro, Audrey Pomeroy and Aidan Haigh give a thank-you presentation at the Oct. 22 Salt Spring Island Foundation gala.

1996 grants went to the Salt Spring Conservancy, the Bessie Dane Hospice, Transition House, Grandma's House, PARC and the Core Inn. Bob Rush and Patrick Lee signed the 1996 report, and they have been integral to the core group of foundation stalwarts who have helped build our current fund of well over \$2-million. We now distribute between \$80,000 to \$100,000 a year, which I think is amazing."

SSIF trustee and grants advisory committee chair Emily Hepburn

shone the limelight on some of the recipients of foundation grants, focusing on the folks who serve in our community organizations today.

"Many of our community service providers are here this evening. They're people, real people and our community is indeed well served by them. We appreciate your efforts over the past 25 years and look forward to moving into the future with you," she said.

When representatives of the Salt

Spring Singers and the Salt Spring Centre School took the stage, we saw some of the real people Hepburn was talking about. Both organizations have recently received foundation grants.

A quartet from the Salt Spring Singers couldn't keep the smiles off their faces as they showed off new black binders and sheet music paid for by foundation dollars, and soon had everyone in the audience singing along to Bye Bye Blackbird.

Students Audrey Pomeroy, Emily

Adam-Oro and Aidan Haigh from the Salt Spring Centre School plan to help use foundation funds to rebuild the school's woodland walk, incorporating stream enhancement and development of a map of the area.

"The school uses the woodland trail as an outdoor classroom," explained Pomeroy in her speech.

Haigh pulled out all the real people stops when he stepped up to the mike.

"I learned it's terrible to come to school late on Wednesdays, because then you miss the walk! There are some signs, but some of them are a bit moldy, and I'm very thankful it can all be re-done. It's great! I love it!"

Harold Page spoke on behalf of foundation donors, many of whom prefer anonymity. Page said community is the commonality that motivates donors.

"People are alert to each other here and want to help each other."

Biely expressed her gratitude to one particular donor family — the Shaws.

"They were a very hard-working farm family who left a very large bequest to the community. They loved to go dancing at Fulford Hall," said Biely. "We're very pleased to see renovations there as part of their bequest."

A slide show, with photos of grant recipients taken by Diane Thomas and John Cameron, concluded the evening, offering up what Biely described as "a tiny taste of the 59 organizations we've worked with."

The pictures of kids, seniors and people with special challenges were the faces of a community benefiting from 25 years of foundation giving and looking forward to 25 more.

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CHAMBER AWARDS

Island businesses honoured

Award ceremony recognizes standouts

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A who's who of business owners was on the menu for the fourth annual Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce's business awards gala at the Harbour House Hotel on Thursday.

The Salt Spring Coffee Company and owner Mickey McLeod took centre stage for the evening, winning the event's Green Business of the Year and Business of the Year awards.

McLeod said he appreciates the honour and support from the community given his company's as-of-yet unsuccessful expansion plans.

"I want you all to know that Salt Spring Coffee isn't going anywhere," McLeod told a crowd of

nearly 100 participants during his acceptance speech.

Salt Spring Coffee beat out fellow nominees Auntie Pesto's Cafe, Salt Spring Air, Salt Spring Island Cheese Company, Salt Spring Inn, Slegg Lumber, Thrifty Foods and TJ Beans to earn the event's grand honour.

Unusual Jewelry's Alvaro Sanchez, winner of the Market Vendor of the Year award, used his acceptance speech to urge the chamber to provide more support for the island's Saturday market and to work with the artistic community to nurture Salt Spring's reputation as a great place to visit.

Salt Spring Air took home the Business Ambassador of the Year award, Gecko Green Living earned the New Business of the Year award, Joe Toutant Construction won the Business or Construction Trades of the Year award, the

Foxglove Farm Retreat won the Agricultural/Farm Business of the Year. Richard Murakami was named Citizen of the Year.

Salt Spring Island Metal Recycling was named the island's Small Business of the Year.

"This is amazing," said owner John Quesnel. "I wasn't expecting anything like this."

Winners were chosen from a total of 42 nominees.

Prior to the evening's award ceremony, Philip Reece, Clare Cullen, Paul Large, Andrew Haigh and Mike Boizard were named to the chamber's board of directors. They join chamber president Mafalda Hoogerdyk, David Griffiths, Mike Stefancsik and Tim O'Connor.

Chamber vice-president John Cade stepped down after 15 years of service, as did fellow director and vice-president of green business Margery Moore.



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CULTURAL EVENT

Songs, images from Zimbabwe featured at special presentation

Documentary film, mbira and song

Islanders will have a rare opportunity to hear sacred music played by traditional Zimbabwean musician James Mujuru, with a special concert at Seven Ravens Farm on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

As explained in press material, Mujuru will play the mbira and sings songs of Zimbabwe's Zezuru people.

Mujuru comes from a lineage of mbira masters, including his father, Ephat Mujuru, and great grandfather Muchatera Mujuru, who are both known internationally.

"Mujuru believes mbira music is a channel to ever-existing life," explains press material. "When he plays, he is opening this channel and thus connecting with his ancestors."

The evening will also include a preview of a new short docu-

mentary about Masango Dema, the cultural centre in Zimbabwe founded by Mujuru.

The concert starts at 6:30 p.m. at Seven Ravens Farm, 1641 Fulford-Ganges Rd.

Tickets are on a sliding scale of \$15-\$25.

Limited seating is available, so people are asked to RSVP: sing-meanimage@yahoo.ca or call 250-653-9903.

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FUNDRAISER

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A two-organization fundraiser is promising a silent auction extravaganza and a fun evening of music, food and socializing.

On Sunday, Nov. 1, at 6:30 p.m. at the Harbour House Hotel, the Institute for Sustainability Education and Action, and the Salt Spring Organization for Life Improvement and Development will host the auction of more than 80 items from Salt Spring and beyond, a veggie appetizer feast provided by the hotel's chef, a cash bar, music by Stephanie Rhodes and friends, plus presentations by SOLID and I-SEA on their exciting projects.

A sneak peek of some items donated so far reveals a kayaking trip for two, Salt Spring Air round-trip tickets, an eco-activist survival pack, weaving by Terri Bibbi, Ganges Village Flooring carpet, baskets by Heather Martin-McNab, Jana's pies, Coco-Loce linens, a Earth Ball, Clinique make-up pack, gift baskets from Gecko Green Living, Mouat's and Pharmasave.

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WORLD CHANGE

The Work That Reconnects resonates with participant

Islander describes shift in consciousness

BY ROWAN PERCY
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD
FIRST OF TWO PARTS

Joanna Macy, internationally known author, eco-philosopher, activist and systems thinker, scans the circle of 70 participants at a weekend workshop on Gabriola.

She beams with energy and enthusiasm, yet her present concern is participants' pain about the perils facing global life.

Perhaps Macy's galvanizing energy comes from the power of her intention: a life-sustaining world, whose development is characterized by what she calls The Great Turning.

This term is used by Macy, David Korten and others to point to the essential adventure of our time: a grounded shift in consciousness that would support and be supported by the actions necessary to sustain life globally.

In contrast to The Great Turning, the industrial growth society is already ushering in what Macy calls The Great Unravelling, the devolution of the biosphere into chaos.

The foundation of the industrial growth society is the cycle of

resource extraction, consumption and dumping. The core illusion, that we can continue this way, threatens the survival of living systems.

The Work that Reconnects, Macy's work, does reconnect us — with our hearts, with each other and with renewed vigour for action.

Through dialogue, scientific research, poetry, exploration of concepts and experiential processes, Macy offers a way to move forward, even with our fears of a disastrous future. With her 80 years of courageous life she embodies lightness, humour and wisdom.

On the subject of The Great Turning, Macy says, "You're not going to read about this in the newspaper, but it's happening." She cites the nuclear guardianship project (see joannamacy.net), Hawken's Blessed Unrest, an account of the largest social movement in history and Yes! Magazine as examples.

By turning our minds to what is possible we nurture our capacity for action and our need to believe life systems can be sustained for future generations.

Despair, on the other hand, is fostered by our sense of isolation, a culture of distraction, mountains of mind-numbing information and by ignorance of what the Buddhist teacher Thich Nhat Hanh calls "interbeing."

In the sense of isolation, Macy explains, we are often too shaken by our fears to feel them and may even denigrate our reactions as emotionally

unstable. In fact they are the collective reaction to an overwhelming situation. However, since feelings are transitory, we don't need to be held in their sway, but we can discover their contribution to our intentions.

Macy invites us to express ourselves through a "truth mandala." In the containment and safety of this ritual, we hear from each other anger about human treatment of animals, fear of the consequences of global warming, grief about what our children may face and despair.

She turns the heaviness of this around to show us that these expressions are driven by love, courage and longing for justice. And despair, which often keeps us stuck, is also a state of not knowing the answer, which is most open to possibilities. She emphasizes this often.

Another process explores our perception of time. Some participants "become" representatives from 2209, while others remain in 2009. Those in the group from the present answer the future humans' questions about the time of climate crisis. We all touch into what Macy calls "deep time" — a shift in awareness that takes us in widening circles around the single life we know.

When I look into the eyes of this man across from me, living in my imagination 200 years from now, it is surprising and potent to experience his tears of gratitude for what we have been able to do to make his future life possible. This spurs my desire to act.

Although it is easy to visualize future catastrophe, Macy asks us to practise this example of "moral imagination." In this experience of gratitude from future beings, positive intentions for action were galvanized in the workshop participants.

Gratitude is a cornerstone of Macy's work. She teaches that it is the ground for moving through the pain we feel for our world.

For a while we understand ourselves as members of a vast and complex web of life. We see that we are changed by it and also change it, moment by moment. This encourages us to dig deeper, beyond the wants of the enculturated self. We are encouraged to find our drive for all beings to enjoy this world for many generations to come.

As the workshop ends, it is clear to me that Macy's compassion and caring has affirmed all the kinds of individual who came. Government bureaucrats, farmers, at-home moms and dads, and eco-warriors are held by her in the same balance. Each one of us can contribute to The Great Turning.

Here are Joanna Macy's most frequently uttered four words: Don't do it alone!

Many people have been inspired to facilitate The Work that Reconnects.

Joanna Macy only asks facilitators to attribute the source of this work. Maggie Ziegler and Jackie Larkin will offer The Work that Reconnects workshop at Royal Roads on Nov. 14-15. For information or registration, go to www.royalroads.ca.

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HALLOWEEN

Elements series at BPH

Oct.31

Fundraiser for seed group

Islanders are urged to celebrate Samhain, Feast of the Dead, Feast of the Souls and Halloween at Beaver Point Hall on Saturday night.

That's when the fourth event in the "5 Elements" series, a fundraiser for the Seed and Plant Sanctuary for Canada, takes place with doors open at 8 p.m.

Halloween - Metal/Air includes artists Jerns, Andrew Interchill, Prodigal Sun, Firewoodpoetry and Oasis, providing yoga, music and meditation, along with live performers Samba du Soleil.

Prizes are offered for the best and craziest costume creations.

Halloween - Metal/Air is an all ages event.

It includes complimentary heritage seed giveaways.

So far the 5 Element Series has raised \$1,200 for the seed sanctuary, which is based on Salt Spring Island.

The event is a presentation of Ahimsa Communications and Bassfission Studios.

Admission is \$20, or \$15 before 10 p.m.



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ANGELS GALORE: Dorothy Shardelow works on Christmas angels for the first annual Greenwoods Eldercare Societies Christmas and Craft Fundraising Sale on Saturday, Nov. 7, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Braehaven (137 Blain Road). All items have been hand made by residents, families, staff, volunteers and friends, and the sale will benefit a great cause.

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BRIDGETRICKS

Judy Norget, followed by Andy and Vonnie Bryant. There were no turkeys to be seen.

Galileo's Daughters enticed a number of bridge regulars to ArtSpring on Oct. 19 so there were only four and a half tables competing.

The brightest stars that night were Judy Norget and Charles Kahn, and next in brilliance were Prem Margolese and Jeff Bell, for the latter's final appearance here until next summer.

There was a tie for third place, with Isabelle Richardson and Gisela Welsh twinning in luminosity with Irene Hawksworth and Jill Evans. The rest can count on the variability of some stars' magnitudes and hope to twinkle brightly another time.

For information, call George Laundry at 250-653-9095 or e-mail pastorale@shaw.ca.

BY JILL EVANS
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

It was mega-Thanksgiving Day for the 26 bridge players who turned up on Oct. 12, rather than sitting in line for three-sailing waits at Tsawwassen to get home from a celebratory weekend on the mainland.

Six and a half tables meant a Mitchell movement again, and the North-South winners were Jeff Bell and Prem Margolese. Second in that group were Jean Elder and Isabelle Richardson, with Patricia Hewett and Bob Morrisette coming third.

The East-West players welcomed a visiting pair from Comox, Ron and Judy Morrison, who captured the honours here.

Second were Charles Kahn and



Linda Koroscil

LET'S EAT

Hungarian Mushroom Soup

When I cooked at the Vesuvius Inn my customers loved this soup.

- 2 Tbsp. butter
- 2 c. onions, diced
- 1 1/2-2 lb. mushrooms, sliced
- 2 tsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1 c. milk or cream
- 1/2 c. sour cream
- 1 Tbsp. dried dill
- 1 Tbsp. paprika
- 3 Tbsp. flour
- 2 c. chicken or beef stock
- salt and pepper

Sauté onions in butter. Add mushrooms and spices.

Cook 15 min., then add lemon juice. Slowly add flour and cook 5 min., then add stock and cook another 10 min. Add milk or cream slowly, then whisk in sour cream — heat through but don't boil. Serve with chopped parsley.

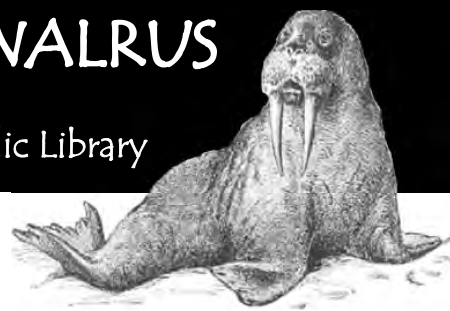
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- 📖 The **federal** and **provincial** governments will each grant **one-third** of the **eligible costs** of the new library project **PROVIDED THAT** we **pass a referendum** authorizing the borrowing of a matching third plus an amount for the costs ineligible under the grant.
- 📖 The **cost** of the **new library** project is **\$7.3 million**. Thanks to the grant, the **cost** to the **community** will be **\$2.75 million**. This figure must be funded from our local property taxes.
- 📖 The **library referendum on Dec. 5** will authorize the **CRD** to borrow up to **\$2.75 million**. It **must** be **passed within 6 months** of the grant being approved.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Alumni FC loses 3-2 heart-breaker

Old Boys fall to Bays United

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Players on Salt Spring's Alumni FC will have to wait at least another week for a win after losing a closely fought weekend match against Vantreights.

Alumni FC nearly clawed its way back from a three-goal deficit in the dying moments of Sunday's game thanks to multiple corner kicks and unrelenting pressure from the team's forwards.

Player Colin Walde said the team suffered from yet another late start, finding itself outmatched and outscored through the game's opening half.

Thanks to two goals from Walde early in the second half, Alumni FC gave hometown fans gathered around the soggy and cool high school field plenty to cheer about.

"We were just all over them," he said. Vantreights' keeper held up to the onslaught of Alumni FC shots and preserved the 3-2 victory.

The team's next game is against Gorge (3-1-3) at the high school field on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 10:30 a.m.

In other soccer news, the Salt Spring Old Boys were shut out 3-0 in their match against Bays United FC on Sunday afternoon.

Bays United offered few scoring opportunities as the team defended its hold atop the Vancouver Island Soccer League's Masters-C division. The loss drops the Old Boys into fifth place with a 1-4 record.

The team's next home game is on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 10:30 a.m.



Vantreights outperform Alumni in a physical, fast-paced game.

PHOTO BY JOHN CAMERON

MEN'S SOCCER

Gremio team set for four-game homestand

Salt Spring FC clings to first place

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Their spirits quashed by an early Cowichan goal, players from Salt Spring FC dropped their second game in as many weeks.

"A lot of stuff just didn't go our way," said player Jordon Morrison. "We got frustrated early and got knocked off our game."

Salt Spring made things interesting midway through the first half when Leroy Coombs fired a "brilliantly placed shot into the top corner of the net," Morrison said.

Teams played a steady back-and-forth game for most of the second half until Cowichan got a break and scored the game winner off a dramatic header with 10 minutes to play.

Cowichan (2-3-1) withstood a late surge to hand Salt Spring its second loss of the season.

Morrison said it's only a matter of time before his team "bounces back" and sets off on a winning streak of its own.

The team is still in sole possession of first place in the Vancouver Island Soccer League's second division.

"We're in a bit of a slump, but we're happy where we are," he said.

FC's next game is at Portlock Park on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 2:15 p.m. against fifth-place FC Sagres (2-2-1).

In other Salt Spring soccer

news, Ganges Gremio tied second-place Vantreights 2-2.

Goal scorers were Colin McDougall and Tony Graham. McDougall's goal extends his current goal-scoring streak to six games.

The tie gives Gremio a firm grip on fourth place in the league's 4C division with 10 points.

Gremio hosts its next four matches at Portlock Park. The team's next game is against Juan de Fuca (1-5-1) on Sunday at 2:15 p.m.

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VOLLEY AT THE NET: Una Conradi returns the ball as the GISS junior girls volleyball A team went down to Lake Cowichan.

Lakehill provides strong match for U17 boys squad

U14 gold boys and U14 girls also play host

SOCCKERKICKS

The U17 boys silver team treated their home crowd to an exciting match against Lakehill on Sunday. Beset with numerous injuries, the Salt Spring squad started with just one sub, and finished the game a man down.

Salt Spring took the lead with two early goals, but were surprised by Lakehill's strong counter-attack, which resulted in a tie at half-time. But a few minutes rest and regrouping seemed to be all that was needed to restore the Salt Spring team to its usual attacking play. The team finished victorious with a final score of 5-2.

Key to keeping the opposition off the scoreboard in the second half was strong play by Noah Havelaar, who successfully stepped into the unfamiliar role of centre-back. The home team also benefited from the help of Santiago Gomez. Playing as a transfer from his U17 bronze squad, Gomez enjoyed a solid game in mid-field. Mackenzie Pearson executed not one but two deadly headers, and Oliver Cannon scored a spectacular goal on the run. Arlo Bryn-Thorn, with 90 minutes of smart and gritty play as full-back, was named "Man of the Match."

• Salt Spring's U14 boys gold team hosted Juan de Fuca on a fine, sunny Saturday. The visitors started with a strong performance and repeatedly pushed our boys back into a defensive position. A power-

ful shot was deflected by Salt Spring's goalkeeper Connor Budd, but on the rebound Juan de Fuca found the net for a 1-0 opening score.

Later on in the first half, Lucas Wenzel took advantage of a few gaps in the opponent's mid-field and dribbled the ball through Juan de Fuca's defence to score the equalizer. Just before half time, however, an unfortunatemiscommunication in Salt Spring's defence led to an indirect free kick, which was stopped by Budd once more but, again, the rebound curved nicely into the top right corner to give Juan de Fuca a 2-1 lead.

After the break, Salt Spring largely dominated the field with accurate one-pass crosses and deft maneuvering from Dylan Shaver, Justin Kopetzki, Luke Hylands, Tai Levitt, Billy George and Karl Slakov. Repeated shots on goal failed to give Salt Spring the lead, but proper defence from Isaac Byron, Mark Camps, Hamish Walde and Forest Junker-Allen also prevented Juan de Fuca from capitalizing on the few chances they had. It took a free kick from Sam Montalbetti, which landed on the unfortunate head of a Juan de Fuca player, who then expertly headed the ball past his own goalie, to create the equalizer. Salt Spring learned to play around the more physically inclined and often bigger opponents and both teams worked hard to attain a 2-2 tie.

• Salt Spring's U14

girls squared off against Juan de Fuca on a sunny home field. The first half was anybody's game with both teams shooting on goal, but the opponents being stopped by the fancy footwork of Zoe Savage, and the skill of newcomers Iminah Amal-Hill and Georgina Byron.

Scrapper Jasmine Cooper got things rolling with a great pass to Jade Beauvais, who assisted Becki Steel's long rolling kick into the goal for 1-0 at the half. Steel kept things moving when she sent a fantastic header towards the net and didn't give the keeper a way out, making it 2-0. Zorah Wiltzen followed with an assist to Brenna McIntyre who knocked it in for 3-0. Maggie Birch sent a high bouncing kick towards the goal, and Beauvais perfectly timed her shot in the net for 4-0. Cassidy Fraser played the entire game as keeper again and delivered the shutout for the U14 girls.

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MEN'S GOLF

Classic golf rivalry resolved with return of cup to Salt Spring

Men proud of victory over Mount Brenton

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Under a drenching rain on day one, Saturday, Oct. 17, Salt Spring men were able to take advantage of playing at home and finished the day with a 15 - 9 advantage.

On Sunday, faced with playing away and with 36 points still available, Salt Spring stood up to the challenge and behind strong three-point performances by Bill Elford and Doug Wellington won enough points to return the trophy to Salt Spring. Final tally 31-29 for Salt Spring.

Ryder Cup captain Glenn Woodley, who selected and chose the pairings, said he was proud of his team and is already thinking about next year.

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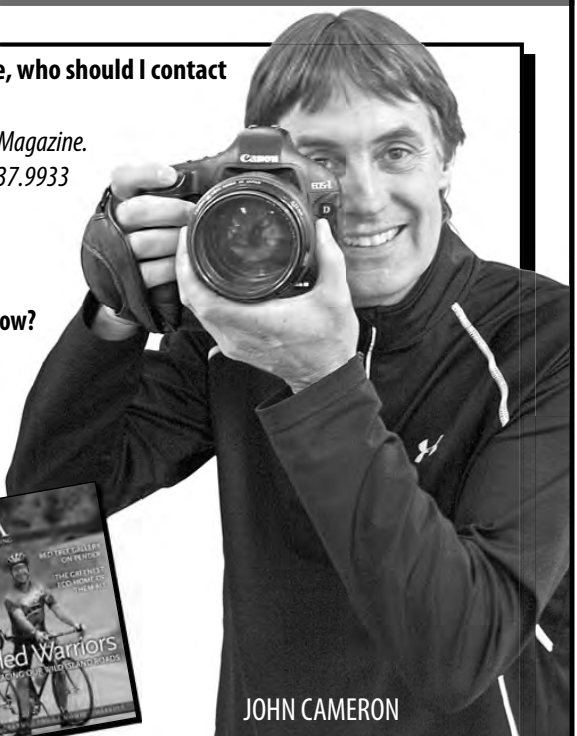
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