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Salt Spring sisters in Tofino leg of run

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after celebrations held on the Howe Sound Queen.

While no Gulf Islands residents participated in the Ganges part of the relay, two Salt Springers acted as torchbearers on Sunday in Tofino. They were sisters Kya Dalton, 16, and Bailey Dalton, 14, who were recognized by the Go Active program for their volunteer activities at Salt Spring's climbing wall facility.

Suzanne Reeves, spokesperson for the Olympic torch relay, said torchbearers were chosen through Coca-Cola and RBC Royal Bank contests, which made the "best effort to get folks from the region."

An interactive map of the torch relay is available at www.vancouver2010.com/ under "More 2010 information."



Professional golfer Dawn Coe-Jones takes the Olympic flame to the torchbearers after it arrived on Salt Spring via Harbour Air floatplane.

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BC Olympic Torch Relay By the Numbers

- 27 days
- 50 community celebrations
- 268 communities/places of interest
- 50 aboriginal communities
- 4,113,487 – provincial population
- 92 per cent of population within one hour's drive of the relay route
- 9,750 – total kilometres through the province
- 1,150 – total kilometres by torchbearers
- 2,100 – total kilometres by air
- 5,750 – total kilometres by land
- 750 – total kilometres by water
- 3,500 – total number of torchbearers involved in this leg of the relay

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Red paint chucked at torchbearer as flame taken through Ganges

A female protester interrupted Darian Sport-Maxwell's leg of the torch relay on Saturday.

The woman threw red paint from a yogurt container at the torchbearer, but the paint splattered instead on a Vancouver Organizing Committee security guard who was running alongside the torchbearer.

Photographers and some spectators were also splashed with paint and paint tracks smeared the road at the intersection by Mouat's and Grace Point Square.

"As far as [this incident] goes, we don't have any charges pending yet," said Corp. Darren Lagan, spokesperson for the Vancouver Island RCMP on Tuesday.

Lagan said the individual was allegedly dressed like a witch, but a nearby eyewitness told the Driftwood the paint-thrower was not dressed up at all and was certainly not the same person photographed

holding an "Olympics=debt" sign in a witch's hat.

Lagan said while police don't typically reprimand protesters or demonstrators, the paint-throwing incident on Salt Spring could be considered an assault.

"When you throw something on someone, that's an assault," he said.

Salt Spring police are in the process of identifying the paint-thrower.

"We will need to discuss with that person what they were thinking."

A male protester laid across Fulford-Ganges Road by Harlan's Chocolates with a pillow in his shirt.

"No one is going to run over a pregnant man," he was overheard saying to spectators.

He obliged when a police officer asked him to get off the road.

Lagan said in the grand scheme of the relay, the Salt Spring protests were considered "minor."

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TH	12:37	3.0	9.8
	16:29	3.2	10.5
06	00:25	0.2	0.7
FR	09:01	3.5	11.5
	13:52	3.0	9.8
	17:07	3.1	10.2
07	01:15	0.3	1.0
SA	09:53	3.5	11.5
	15:31	2.9	9.5
	17:52	2.9	9.5
08	02:08	0.5	1.6
SU	10:41	3.5	11.5
	17:10	2.7	8.9
	18:58	2.7	8.9
09	03:04	0.7	2.3
MO	11:25	3.5	11.5
	18:15	2.3	7.5
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Path leading to governance study rejection outlined

BY GARTH HENDREN,
CHRISTINE TORGRIMSON
AND GEORGE EHRLING

As candidates in last year's local government election, all three of us pledged to initiate a review of governance on Salt Spring. We have consistently followed through on this commitment, but economic conditions and provincial decisions outside our control have made such a review impossible at this time.

On Nov. 17, 2008, newly elected CRD director Garth Hendren wrote to Minister Blair Lekstrom about his interest in a governance review on Salt Spring.

The two Islands Trust trustees, George Ehring and Christine Torgrimson, wrote to the minister on Dec. 4, 2008, outlining their concept of a broad review of governance. While Garth received a reply from the minister in February indicating a willingness to have a meeting in the new year, the trustees did not receive a reply from the minister until April 1, 2009.

That letter, from new minister Kevin Krueger, suggested that "As a first step . . . all three elected officials meet to discuss issues facing Salt Spring Island residents. I would like to work with all three of you and I would welcome a joint meeting once you have a consensus."

As recommended, the three of us began regular meetings very shortly after to plan a mutually agreeable governance review process.

These meetings were consistently productive and cooperative. We met eight times from late April through early September to design a constructive process that would involve broad community consultation and that would have allowed for a local referendum prior to the next local government elections in November 2011. We had that plan reviewed by three independent, off-island people experienced in governance and public consultation, and modified our plan in response to their recommendations.

Following the provincial election in May, yet another minister was appointed and was



Salt Spring's elected officials, from left, trustee Christine Torgrimson, CRD director Garth Hendren and trustee George Ehring learned last week from Ministry of Community and Rural Development staff that no funds are available for a governance review for the island.

reportedly unavailable until the fall. In September, with a plan in hand, we requested a meeting with the ministry to discuss our proposed process. We had all been told, unofficially, that the province was unlikely, given the economic downturn and provincial budget deficit, to have funding for a governance review — the restructure study in 2002 cost roughly \$100,000 — but we wanted to present our plan in any case and ask the ministry to support our moving forward with it.

We also decided that it would be inappropriate and perhaps counterproductive to communicate with the community about the plan before we had input and a definitive response from the ministry.

The requested meeting took place on Oct. 26, with two ministry staff. At that meeting, we were advised of several things. The

most important of those is that, because of extreme budget restrictions and ongoing financial commitments, the minister will not approve any new governance restructure studies until at least 2012 — after the next round of local government elections. (A local governance review must have the support of the Minister of Community and Rural Development in order to proceed and be a legally recognized process.)

We were also told that even if we received outside funding for the study, the ministry would not support it. Further, we were told that as far as the ministry is concerned, the 2002 restructure study was "recent," that the 70 per cent rejection of incorporation at that time was "a resounding no," and that since 2002, "nothing significant had changed" on the island that would convince the ministry that another review was appropriate.

At the meeting, the three of us agreed to write back to the ministry summarizing our understanding of their position, and ministry staff agreed to respond in writing, expressing their position. We also felt that until we had their position in writing, it was best not to communicate verbal comments. However, since reports of the outcome of the Oct. 26 meeting have already become public, we now feel that it is necessary to let the community know what has transpired.

The bottom line is that the ministry will not support a governance review in our current term of office.

Nevertheless, we will all continue to explore methods of improving local governance under the authority that is currently available to us. When we have the ministry's response in writing, we will publish that letter and consider next steps.

News briefs

Tryste book event

Salt Spring resident Val Haigh has published a sequel to her popular *Chasing the Dream* book and will be at Salt Spring Books on Saturday morning to sign copies.

Tryste and the Sea, the Last Two Voyages, describes adventures experienced while she and husband Ernest went sailing "in the good old days" when all navigation was celestial, and after their children had grown up.

As explained in a press release, "They could not resist 'just one more voyage'

aboard *Tryste* — well, two — a year's voyage to New Zealand and back in 1977, and their second circumnavigation in 1981 — this in spite of the fact that *Tryste* was now showing her age and that they would probably come to a bad end.

"On these voyages they found that they missed the family badly, but still there were the joys of *Tryste's* tan sails filling, of new friends made and countries visited, of the company of dolphins and albatrosses and of swimming off *Tryste* a thousand miles from luxuriating in lucent blue water."

Haigh will be at Salt Spring Books from 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 7.

Trust plans party

The Islands Trust's 35th anniversary will be celebrated on Salt Spring with a special event during the Islands Trust Council quarterly meeting in December.

The Wednesday, Dec. 9 event will showcase local foods from the islands with culinary creations prepared by island chefs. The evening will start with a gourmet dinner, followed by an island-themed dessert bar, then a live auction of unique island offerings hosted by raconteur extraordinaire Arthur Black.

Auction proceeds will be donated to assist island

conservancies in protecting fragile ecosystems on the Gulf Islands through the Islands Trust Fund's Opportunity Fund.

"We hope people will join us in celebrating our island communities, culture and environment while enjoying our fabulous local foods and gourmet cooking by our wonderful island chefs," said Trust Council chair Sheila Malcolmson.

The Dec. 9 dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. with tickets at \$35, including the desserts and live auction. Tickets for the dessert bar and live auction starting at 8 p.m. are \$12. All events are at the Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Advance tickets to the

limited seating event, available through ArtSpring, are on sale from Nov. 4 to 30.

Fire destroys school bus

A live-aboard school bus was completely destroyed in a Tuesday morning fire that broke out on a Thomas Road property.

Twenty members of the Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue Department were called to the scene at 8:18 a.m., only to discover the bus fully engulfed by fire.

Fire chief Tom Bremner said a person living in a nearby structure played a critical role in helping the bus' occupant escape the

structure.

"Another occupant [on the property] was aroused by the smell of the smoke, got up and went to the home and got him to get out," Bremner said.

The man was taken to Lady Minto Hospital and treated for burns. No further information about his condition was available.

Fire crews spent one hour and 45 minutes on the scene but were unable to salvage much from the site.

"Crews did a great job," Bremner said. "What was savable was saved."

Bremner said the cause of the blaze cannot be identified due to the severity and scope of the damage.



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NEWSBEAT

ISLAND GOVERNANCE

No money for incorporation study

Lack of funds stalls governance review hopes

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Springers must wait at least two years before funding of an incorporation study and subsequent referendum will even be considered.

Provincial government representatives told the island's locally elected officials last week that no funding is currently available for governance or incorporation studies.

Nothing short of a revolution will prompt a study before local elections in November 2011, according to Salt Spring's Capital Regional District director Garth Hendren.

"I don't know what else there is," he said on Monday, one week after provincial officials explained their decision in a private meeting with Hendren and Salt Spring trustees George Ehring and Christine Torgrimson in Victoria.

"We as a community have to continue demanding [a governance study] through whatever way we possibly can," Hendren added. "Obviously an election wasn't a big-enough stick as far as the rest of the world was concerned, so I don't know what other tools we've got to push forward."

Determining how to push forward is

further complicated by the province's unwillingness to sanction any independently commissioned governance study.

"We could follow every hoop and follow it through, but their bottom line is that they wouldn't support it and wouldn't accept the findings of it," Hendren said.

Hendren called the turn of events a "grave disappointment."

Last Thursday, Ministry of Community and Rural Development spokesperson Marc Black said funding for the ministry's governance structure program is "fully committed for this cycle."

Agreement from the island's locally elected CRD and Islands Trust officials would be needed before the ministry agreed to proceed with a study in the future, he added. Black said the estimated cost of the incorporation study done on Salt Spring before the June 2002 referendum was \$100,000.

Hendren said he is undecided as to whether he will seek a second term as Salt Spring's CRD director.

Trustee Torgrimson said she looks forward to working with Hendren on other important issues.

"We did what we committed to do — initiate a governance review process — and circumstances beyond our control prevented its completion," Torgrimson said. "Let's now accept the current economic reality, build on the strengths of our current governance system and focus on critical community needs."

Torgrimson said she intends to work on the creation of more affordable housing, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving food security and developing a collaborative Ganges Harbour management plan.

"This is a tremendously talented and energetic community," she said. "Let's stop criticizing and instead join hands to do some constructive work."

Hendren ran for the CRD position in the November 2008 election on a platform of getting an incorporation study for Salt Spring. During the campaign, Torgrimson and Ehring said they would support some kind of governance review.

Islanders for Self Government president Ken Marr expressed disappointment when he heard of the government's decision.

He said he prefers not to comment until ISG members have discussed the government's announcement at the pro-incorporation group's next meeting.

"We want to see what options exist," he said.

Torgrimson, Ehring and Hendren have penned a joint column on the process and outcome, published on Page A3 of this issue of the Driftwood.

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CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

CRD director mulls septic monitoring plan

Island lacks phosphorus data, says Hendren

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Island's Capital Regional District director wants more data about phosphorus sources entering the island's drinking water lakes before implementing legislation targeting the maintenance and performance of septic systems.

"We don't really have any hard information about it in relation to our water sources. I mean you can find stuff in terms of the scientific literature, but we don't know what happens in St. Mary Lake, we don't know what happens in

Cusheon Lake," said Garth Hendren. "We don't know how much [phosphorus] goes in."

Hendren wants more information in the run-up to the CRD's plans to develop legislation intended to promote cleaner, safer and more modern septic-system technology.

The regional director's statement comes in spite of last month's highly anticipated release of the St. Mary Lake Watershed Management Plan.

The plan's authors identified septic tanks around the lake as the source of approximately 29 per cent of all phosphorus entering St. Mary Lake.

Phosphorus leachate from septic tanks around the lake contributes to the occurrence of potentially toxic algal blooms.

The plan identifies several objectives needed to preserve the long-term quality of the island's main source of drinking water.

Included among these is the need to reduce inputs of phosphorus from domestic sewage disposal systems.

Soon after he was elected CRD director in November 2008, Hendren opted Salt Spring out of a proposed CRD-wide septic monitoring program that would have covered tanks and fields in sensitive watershed areas.

"The legislation was punitive as opposed to supportive or would direct people to improve the management of their septic material," he said.

"That we do need to regulate it is sort of a given, it's just how we are going to do it and how

we are going to support it."

Hendren said new legislation, anticipated by the spring of 2010, will cover septic tanks and fields across the entire island.

"It will be effective and it will do things like encourage people to use the latest technology, because the better the technology the less likely of regular inspection unless there's a malfunction," he said.

"If we can make sure to improve the quality of water that we are putting into wherever, it will be a benefit to everybody."

Any new legislation, Hendren added, would "be effective and encourage us, as owners of fields, to improve the quality of our field and to regularly inspect it."

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M-F Trip operates Monday to Friday only.

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NEWSBEAT

PATHWAYS

Walkways celebrated with balloons



Aubrey Watkins cleans off the new walkway on Blain Road.

Blain and Crofton roads ready for safe travel

Meeting residents of Braehaven, Heritage Place, Greenwoods and the hospital has been part of the fun for Partners Creating Pathways members lately.

As main users of PCP's two new pedestrian walkways, they were in a celebrating mood when the paving and line marking was completed on Blain and Crofton roads last Tuesday.

According to Jean Gelwicks of PCP, the group brought balloons to celebrate after one Heritage Place resident said about the path, "I am so happy I want to carry a balloon on my walker."

Gelwicks said the two pedestrian walkways have been needed for a long time.

"Now pedestrians — a number of whom need the assistance of canes and walkers — and motorized wheelchairs have a safe path set aside just for their use that will make their trips a whole lot safer.

"The hospital receptionists are

overjoyed, as they saw daily how dangerous their end of Crofton was for pedestrians."

She also said PCP was thrilled with the work of Capital City Paving, which subcontracted some of the work to local business, and to Scho's Line Painting from Victoria.

PCP is a partnership between Island Pathways, the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club, the island's transportation commission and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Gelwicks thanked the project's many donors, including the B.C. government, the CRD director's grants-in-aid budget, PARC, Salt Spring Island Foundation, BC Transmission Corporation, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92, TD Friends of the Environment Fund, Van City, Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Salt Spring Lions Club and the Salt Spring Transportation Commission.

There is still a bit of work to do, said Gelwicks.

She invites anyone who would like to help at the next work party or to join the PCP committee to call her at 250-537-4859.

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Speaker: it's time to bring soldiers home from Afghanistan

Remembrance Day is once again drawing people's attention to how much gratitude they should show to Canadian Armed Forces personnel fighting on their behalf in Afghanistan.

"Since 2002, 133 Canadian soldiers have been killed in Afghanistan," states a press release about a Nov. 11 event. "Hundreds more have suffered permanent and disabling injuries. Often these injuries are

emotional and leave them unable to work or have normal family relationships."

Community members are invited to Lions Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 4 p.m. to hear Salt Spring resident Michael Byers explain why he believes the mission has failed — and why it's time to bring our soldiers home.

"Come and join in the discussion and stay for the NDP-sponsored potluck din-

ner following the talk."

Byers holds the Canada Research Chair in Global Politics and International Law at the University of British Columbia. He is the best-selling author of War Law (2005), Intent for a Nation (2007) and Who Owns the Arctic? (2009).

Byers, his wife Catherine and their two young sons are recently established residents of Salt Spring.

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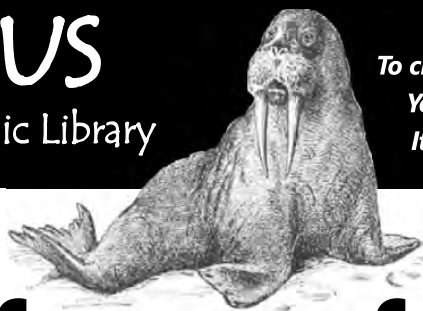
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(b) Bylaw No. 3612, "Salt Spring Island Public Library Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2009" authorizing the Capital Regional District to raise a maximum annual requisition of the greater of \$600,000 or \$0.186 per One 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.

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NEWSBEAT

H1N1

Hospital, school district: ready, set, waiting

It's been an education in planning

BY SUSAN LUNDY
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

On a recent visit to Salt Spring Elementary School, local schools superintendent Jeff Hopkins watched young children carefully sneezing into the crooks of their arms and chuckled quietly at "all the little girls, telling all the little boys to 'go wash their hands.'"

If nothing else, Hopkins says, preparing for the flu season this year has "been an educational experience" — both for the district and the students.

"The kids have been great — we're showing them 'here's how to sneeze' and then telling them why. They love that; they are so interested in it."

And whether or not the much-discussed swine flu floods Salt Spring with ill people, those in charge of preparations say they are ready for it.

"I think Lady Minto should be able to handle whatever comes our way," says OR supervisor Dona MacKie, the person in charge of swine flu planning at the hospital. "And if not, we will have to reach out to VIHA [Vancouver Island Health Authority] for help."

Gulf Islands School District 64 is similarly poised: it has developed a detailed "pandemic response plan" (available at www.sd64.bc.ca), is keeping close tabs on all school absences and maintaining regular communication among Gulf Islands schools, as well as between neighbouring districts.

But ultimately, at this point, with school absenteeism actually lower than normal, it is business as usual with just a few visible changes.

"We are using more soap than ever," Hopkins says. The district installed hand sanitizers a few years ago in areas such as computer labs that are not located close to washrooms with soap and water. But now hand sanitizers are being placed on school buses as well.

Another change involves absent students. Parents keeping children home from school due to illness must describe symptoms to the district. If they don't, their school will contact them.

"People have been great about being specific," Hopkins says, adding that the small nature of island schools allows for a lot of "anecdotal information" that larger schools don't have.

"We are lucky here that we can look at things on an individual level."

Should H1N1 flu virus actually hit the



PHOTO BY SUSAN LUNDY

Dona MacKie demonstrates use of a portable respirator called an ambu bag.

schools, Hopkins says, the district is ready. About eight students district-wide, as well as a pregnant staff member, have been identified as "high risk." These students are suffering from serious respiratory illnesses to immune deficiencies or recent cancer treatment.

Any decision to close a school does not belong to the district alone; it would be made in conjunction with the medical health officer based on absentee levels or "if they know something we don't know," says Hopkins.

Should the flu circulate through the teaching staff, he adds, the district is in the healthy position of having administrators who can and will step into the classroom, as well as access to numerous teachers on call.

The only staffing area identified as problematic is bus drivers. The district would not be able to replace ill drivers and would have to make alternate transportation plans.

Similarly, at Lady Minto Hospital, swine flu pandemic planning is well in place, and so far "business" has been higher than usual, but not overwhelming.

"We are definitely seeing more people coming in than normal," says MacKie, but

"We do not have the capacity to care for people with acute complicated symptoms."

DONA MACKIE
Lady Minto OR supervisor

she believes this is due more to the high visibility and concern surrounding H1N1 than an actual increase in the severity of flu symptoms.

"The concern is that it's bigger and the fact people in peak condition are being struck down," she said last Thursday. "We are seeing one or two people a day with flu-like illness. They are feeling awful and are concerned."

As of Tuesday, "a few patients" (specific numbers were not available) had been admitted with "suspected H1N1 as part of their diagnosis."

The area at Lady Minto Hospital normally set aside for OR recovery has now become "H1N1 central," allowing sick people to be "cohorted" from the front entrance to an

area separate from the rest of the hospital.

Those presenting themselves at the admitting area with flu-like symptoms are given a mask and asked to follow the signs to the ER overflow area and wait until an emergency nurse can see them.

They are triaged in order of priority based on symptoms like any other emergency patient.

Acute swine flu symptoms usually involve severe respiratory distress. Should this occur with a patient at Lady Minto, MacKie says, steps will be taken to aid his/her symptoms. However, the patient would have to be intubated and airlifted off-island to a larger facility.

"We do not have the capacity to care for people with acute complicated symptoms." The hospital has one ventilator in the OR overflow area and two in the operating room.

However, the OR equipment can only be operated by the island's two anesthetists.

The hospital does have hand-held, portable respirators called ambu bags, which could be used in ambulances when a patient is transported off-island.

MacKie says ambulance paramedics are not qualified to handle intubated patients and anyone hooked up to a ventilator would have to be air-lifted to a bigger centre.

Lady Minto also does not have ICU (intensive care unit)-trained nurses and is chronically short of nurses at all levels of training.

"If we started losing staff to H1N1, we would be 'up the creek,'" MacKie says, adding that the hospital would have to appeal for help from agency nurses, retired staff and casuals.

Somewhat alarming, she adds, is the fact that Salt Spring health care workers had not yet been vaccinated as of Tuesday. However, they are scheduled for inoculation sometime this week.

Islanders wondering whether or not they should go to the hospital with flu-like symptoms are advised to call the provincial health line at 8-1-1 or their local doctor's office.

In an effort to keep people at home, MacKie says, doctors have been approved for phone consultations.

"The potential [for swine flu illness here] is huge . . . but we just don't know. It will be interesting to see the numbers when it's all over."

In the meantime, people everywhere are benefiting from the "learning potential" of the swine flu frenzy, discovering, like students in the schools, how to wash their hands and avoid spreading germs.

"It's all been very educational," says Hopkins.

VACCINATION PROGRAM

Older population puts Salt Spring lower on vaccine list

VIHA doling out 1,500 doses per day region-wide

BY SUSAN LUNDY AND SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Most Salt Spring residents have another few weeks to debate the pros and cons of swine flu vaccinations.

Islanders unwilling to travel off-island to a mass vaccination clinic, or who do not qualify for a vaccination from their family doctor, will have to wait until Nov. 19 to get their shots.

The island's first mass vaccination clinic will be open to everyone who wants to get the H1N1 vaccine. Subsequent island clinics will be held on Nov. 24 and Dec. 10.

Clinics are set to run in three island schools, including the gymnasiums at Fernwood and Fulford elementary schools and in the high school's multi-purpose room.

Gulf Islands School District superintendent of schools Jeff Hopkins said the district has already received phone calls from a few angry parents, suggesting the schools should not be supporting the H1N1 vaccination program.

But he supports use of the schools as "public buildings" capable of "keeping people out of the rain while they are waiting."

"But I also understand there are lots of different points of view about vaccinations."

On Salt Spring, which is well-known for its aversion to inoculation programs, it remains to be seen how many people will line up for H1N1 shots.

"We have no idea what the uptake will be — maybe no one will show up," Hopkins says.

But Dr. Shane Barclay, chief of staff at Lady Minto Hospital, hopes that isn't the case.

"I was initially sketchy on the vaccine," he says, "but now I think it is good, and most people who get it will develop an immunity to the virus."

He says it is important to slow down the spread of the virus to keep it from devastating at-risk parts of the world where populations do not have access to clean water, good nutrition and advanced health care.

"The vaccine is not some off-the-wall conspiracy that some people would have it," he says.

Hopkins says children under the age of 14 must attend a vaccination clinic with their parents if they wish to be inoculated against H1N1.

Therefore, these students will have to be taken out of school.

He says students aged 14 or older can "consent for their own health decisions" and will be able to get the vaccination without their parents' consent.

High school students will have easy access to the clinic running at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

For islanders wondering why Salt Spring's clinics are scheduled so much later than clinics in other areas — such as Chemainus, Duncan and Victoria — Sandra Herbison, manager of child, youth and family community health for VIHA, says it comes down to a matter of "optimizing resources."

"We just can't be everywhere at one time," she says.

Salt Spring's relatively higher number of senior citizens, she adds, means the island has a lower proportion of people at risk of contracting the H1N1 virus relative to other communities.

H1N1 vaccination clinics held on North Pender and Saturna islands last week, she says, were small enough to incorporate with those islands' already scheduled seasonal influenza clinics.

Any islander who falls under VIHA's high-priority criteria should contact their physician to determine if they are eligible for a vaccine.

Herbison says nine physicians on Salt Spring and the outer Gulf Islands have each received 60 doses of the vaccine to administer according to need at their discretion.

VIHA has administered an average of 1,500 vaccines per day since the first mass vaccination clinics opened on Oct. 26.

According to Herbison, that's well below the health authority's estimated capacity of 2,500.

"We are doing our best to make this vaccine accessible to the people who need it most," she says, adding that the health authority currently has enough vaccines on hand to supply clinics scheduled over the next two weeks.

Herbison did not know how many cases of H1N1 have been diagnosed in the health authority's jurisdiction or on Salt Spring.

NEWSBEAT

FUNDRAISER

Island gears up for mammoth book sale

Quality and quantity will stun book lovers

For the third annual Community Education fundraising book sale, the operative word is "giant."

This year that word is front-and-centre in the event's title, with year-round book collecting having amassed an incredible inventory for sale on Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 14-15.

"It's an understatement to say we've been impressed and overwhelmed by people's

generosity when it comes to donating books for the sale," said Community Ed chair Lynne Johnson.

Books were collected at two special drop-off days at Country Grocer, for several months in handmade wooden boxes set up at Salt Spring's three financial institutions and from individuals who knew the sale was coming up.

With sorting and culling of those books — more than 400 large boxes at last count — occurring in advance of the sale, the quality and organization of the Nov. 14-15 event

will be first-rate, assures Johnson.

It's also moved to a larger venue at the Farmers Institute on Rainbow Road, with hours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

Islanders who still have books to donate can bring them to the site during the two days before the sale (Nov. 12-13), also from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Only books in good condition should be offered, since Community Ed must dispose of books it cannot sell.

Magazines, DVDs, videos, old textbooks, or Reader's

Digest publications are not accepted.

Quality of the books on hand is so high that many would make excellent Christmas gifts, as will the contents of a silent auction table.

Shoppers are encouraged to bring their own bags or boxes.

Michelle Kay, the event's volunteer coordinator, could use some helpers for moving the boxes on either Nov. 11 or 12, and to work on the Nov. 14-15 sale days.

Call her at 250-537-0809 or e-mail info@saltspring-accommodations.com.

Wading through the facts and fiction of swine flu

H1N1

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Shane Barclay. "But I can guarantee I have confirmed cases [of H1N1] in my practice."

Having seen swine flu in full swing earlier this month in the North West Territories — where he is medical director for the Fort Simpson area — Barclay knows what is coming.

"They were hit first. We are behind, but we will catch up."

Up north he was seeing four to five flu victims a day out of a population about one-tenth the size of Salt Spring's. Here, he's currently treating similar numbers, most of whom are put on Tamiflu antiviral medication and "feel yucky for a few days, but get better."

Most businesses on Salt Spring are reporting nothing outside of normal absenteeism — so far it appears to be a typical flu season, which traditionally starts in late September and peaks sometime from November through January.

"The numbers [of flu patients] should start increasing," says Lady Minto OR supervisor

Dona MacKie, who has been put in charge of swine flu planning.

"Most people who get H1N1 will have a fever and a cold and terrible muscle pain. They will stay in bed for a few days and get better," she says. "Most will be fine, but it is the unknown that is concerning."

And it is the unknown that has everyone talking, planning and taking more precautions than usual.

Sales of hand sanitizer has soared at Pharmasave stores locally and across Canada, sparking a national shortage of the product used to make it.

Island parents keeping children home from school must report symptoms to school offices. Anyone arriving at Lady Minto with a cough is handed a mask, and people are learning to sneeze into their arms rather than risk spreading germs on their hands.

The media is showing everything from people panicking in vaccination line-ups to polls that indicate only half the population plans to be inoculated.

Trying to wade through all the con-

"This is not the plague to end the world. Yes, this is a flu and you will feel very unwell.

But it is just a flu."

DR. SHANE BARCLAY
Chief of staff, LMH

flicting information is, again, like looking at that offshore storm that could strike with full force or peter out to nothing.

Should it blindside Salt Spring with its full potential, the effects could be devastating: the hospital is not equipped or staffed to handle severe respiratory symptoms associated with acute cases of swine flu and the difficulty of getting off-island amid a full-blown pandemic would be mammoth.

Some reports are alarming — a U.S. Centre for Disease Control release indicates flu-related pediatric deaths

rates rose 20 per cent last week — while other reports, like one from the Globe and Mail, states, "so far, H1N1 is not proving more deadly than run-of-the-mill flu."

"I think there has been over-coverage," says Barclay. "This is not the plague to end the world. Yes, this is a flu and you will feel very unwell. But it is just a flu."

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada website 101 people had died of swine flu in Canada as of Tuesday, Nov. 3. Fourteen of those deaths occurred in B.C.

Although some people are making comparisons between the current situation and the Spanish flu pandemic of 1918-20, Barclay says that is a tricky game to play.

The Spanish flu — also a subtype of H1N1 — infected one third of the world's population and killed more than 50 million people. Like today's pandemic, a high proportion of Spanish flu victims were healthy young adults, and not the elderly or health-compromised people usually associated with flu mortality.

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EDITORIAL

Getting the 'jab' done

The problem isn't so much that someone has to go last, but rather that the "someone" is us.

According to the Vancouver Island Health Authority's latest flu vaccination schedule, Salt Springers will have to wait until Nov. 19 before the first of three island vaccination clinics takes place at the Fernwood Elementary School.

And we're not just last in line, we're last by a long shot.

By the time this paper hits newsstands on Wednesday, 32 of 36 communities across VIHA's jurisdiction will have each hosted at least one day of vaccination clinics.

By the end of the week, only Gabriola and Salt Spring residents will not have had the opportunity to get jabbed at clinics on their respective islands.

From that point, it's still almost a two-week wait.

The official VIHA line is that a higher proportion of people over the age of 65 on Salt Spring means there are fewer people here who are susceptible to contracting H1N1.

THE ISSUE:
H1N1 vaccine

WE SAY:
It's not easy being last

For the many Salt Spring residents who will undoubtedly choose to avoid the vaccine altogether, the timing of flu clinics is moot.

For islanders who are among the estimated 51 per cent of Canadians who intend to get vaccinated, on the other hand, the delay opens the door to yet more anxiety. For them, it's another two weeks of compulsive hand washing, frantic sterilization and fear of public gatherings.

VIHA's struggle to optimize the resources needed to hold an estimated 220 clinics between Oct. 26 and Dec. 31 is a monumental task. The job's difficulty is compounded by reports of vaccine shortages, lineups and a rising number of H1N1 cases.

VIHA reps ensure us that, in time, everyone who wants and needs a vaccine will have a chance to get one.

It's just a matter of waiting our turn. Unfortunately, people wanting the good old seasonal influenza shot will also have to wait an extra couple of weeks because their clinics (originally set for Oct. 26) were delayed to coincide with the H1N1 dates.

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, between 2,000 and 8,000 people die from seasonal influenza every year. The vast majority of those people are more than 65 years of age.

Unlike H1N1, it may not be a pandemic but it seems a far greater cause for concern — especially given our island's demographics.



Current library building: RIP

BY ELMA RUBRIGHT

Our library is partly housed in a building that was originally a residence and boat shed, and at one time claimed the dubious distinction of being the only library in B.C. with a bathtub!

As the population grew over the years, the building was expanded, repaired and adapted to accommodate increased activity. By 2007, we were the ninth busiest library in B.C. and had obviously outgrown our space. It took some imaginative rearranging to make things continue to work. An extra shelf was added on top of the stacks and, when that wasn't enough, new stacks were squeezed in.

A portion of the basement was remodeled to become the children's section. Magazines were moved into the vacated children's area, and the magazine area, in turn, became home to books on tape and CDs. The non-fiction section was culled and consolidated to free up some space for the fiction and mystery sections.

It has been rob Peter to pay Paul over and over again, until now we have the Salt Spring Archives in a back corner of the basement with no climate control; the board room has been revamped to house the teen section, which means we have no meeting space, large or small.

The bindery has become a multi-purpose room, home to the cataloguers in one corner, inter-library loan (ILL) in another, our computer techies in a third corner, with the fourth corner now the bindery.

The bindery room is hot and crowded, and it has only one window. It does have a long table down the centre, which provides some extra work space, but different groups must share that space. The inter-library loan team can't use the table to package up books while the bindery volunteers are re-binding

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books, and the cataloguers can't stack books on the table when ILL is preparing their mail-outs.

The library board members now have no place to meet unless they schedule meetings during school hours when they can use the teen section. Ditto for the book-buying committees and others who need a meeting room (writer's groups, second language practice, etc.).

It's the same thing upstairs. We now have an office for our librarians, but they must share it between themselves and with the bookkeeper.

The computer section has been expanded which meant juggling the reference section. The staff room is also a storage area, cloakroom, mail-room and workroom for individuals.

Two cannot work together in that room; it isn't large enough. Reading tables have been tucked into remote spots and their use often blocks access to the shelves

Our desk training is done on the job, which means that space for two, check-in and check-out, now has three people milling about, stepping on each other's toes and tripping over the backpacks of patrons.

Fortunately, the volunteers are a sociable bunch and somehow we make it work.

However, there is just so much juggling and fixing that can be done, and we have done all that and then some.

We need a new building with space for current activities, for future expansion of the collection and for new programs. We can have such a library if a majority of island residents vote yes on Dec. 5. Can we count on you?

The writer is a Salt Spring library volunteer.

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

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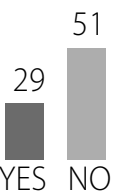
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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Will you attend any Olympic torch events?



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:
"Let's stop criticizing and instead join hands to do some constructive work."

TRUSTEE CHRISTINE TORGRIMSON, ON GOVERNANCE

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: How do you feel the government is handling the H1N1 vaccination process?

JESSE HOLLINS

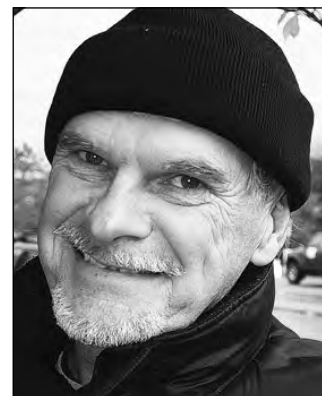
I think we are all misinformed about what this is. It's a pandemic to create money for the pharmaceutical companies.


ILLE KAGLIK

Badly. My husband has asthma and there's no vaccine available for him yet. There should be more screening so people who need it most get it first.


MARK TRUEMAN

It's okay. It's not the government's fault that the company [that makes the vaccines] is late in delivering the goods.


DENNIS RANGER

I think they are blowing it out of proportion. It's easier to control people when they are afraid.


MURRAY SHOOLBRAID

It's trying its best to make us think it is doing a good job, but I'm not too sure what it's doing.

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.

Voting yes this time

The problems of our present library have been listed many times and, as an occasional shelver, I can verify some of the books are shelved so tightly I sometimes wonder how the words are not squeezed right off the pages.

The library board has acted properly in accepting the decision of the majority expressed in the referendum as well as in the official community plan and its diligence and skill has brought us close to success. What is important now is the library board needs our help. The democratic system needs to be made to work and the minority accept the decision of the majority.

Passing the next library referendum will bring over \$4.5 million into our local economy at a small cost to

each taxpayer and the library will be where a majority of the islanders voted to have it. If the referendum fails, the economic position of islanders is not enhanced and there is no new library in the near future.

I voted no on the first referendum but I will certainly vote yes on the second with the profound hope that this time, at least, I will not be in the minority!

A. JEAN ELDER,
SALT SPRING

Best deal in town

As a published author and someone who has worked in numerous libraries I have a keen interest in the future of the Salt Spring library.

Education doesn't just happen in school, it happens throughout our lives at the library. Reading informs us about the world outside our own experience and keeps us

from having to learn everything from scratch. Walking a mile in someone else's shoes is what we do when we pick up a book. From making a will to fixing the kitchen tap, from the practical to the sublime, everything we need to know about the world is in a book.

A library is a basic service, a necessity in any community. The children of Salt Spring need and deserve the very best facility we can provide. And how wonderful to have \$4.55 million in government funding put back into our island. I've estimated that my tax share will cost a little less than two hardcover books per year. As someone who borrows many more items than this a week, it's the best deal in town.

I hope you vote "yes" in the library referendum on Dec. 5.

PHYLLIS SMALLMAN,
SALT SPRING

Same fiddle tune sour

I see that friend of libraries, Michael Friedman, is back at it. Having done his best to torpedo the 1999 library funding referendum, he's still sawing on the same fiddle. My volunteer library job on Monday afternoon put me in mind of him.

I was given a pencil and paper and asked to count all the people who came through the door (the first day of a weeklong survey for the Provincial Library Service). As the afternoon wore on I was reminded of the other guy who, some years ago, objected on two grounds to ArtSpring receiving any government money. Firstly, he said, nobody ever uses the place; secondly whenever he went for a ticket they were all sold out!

As more than 150 folks of all ages came through that door

in three hours time (about 350 all day), I wished that Mr. Friedman could have been there. That's well over 2,000 customers a week, bringing back bags and armloads of books and videos and CDs, coming to use the computers and the reference materials — they can't all be wrong, can they? This Monday bunch appeared happy and content to me. They seemed not only to be enjoying this "tired," "outdated," "deficient" and "unprofessional" facility and its collections but actually benefitting therefrom and coming back for more.

I don't know where Mr. Friedman is coming from or where he got his fiddle and bow, but his "music" is badly out of tune. He comes forth every 10 years to serenade us with sour notes and a tune full of accidentals in hopes if what? Converting us with his cacophonous concert of half-truths, exaggerations and downright falsities? Not

a chance, Friedman, not a chance; come on down some afternoon and see how ill-tempered is your clavier.

RICHARD MOSES,
BRINKWORTHY

Nerve commended

Thank the heavens that someone has had the nerve to write in the Driftwood what most of us think: that anthropogenic global warming is a scientific fraud. ("Sea level rise, global warming: keep heads cool, stick with facts," Oct. 28 In Response piece.)

Mitigation of this fiction will destroy the hopes of the poor here and in the developing world. Good for Kees Visser for sticking up his head, and for the Driftwood for publishing his letter.

ELIZABETH NICKSON,
SALT SPRING

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Send my dose of vaccine back to Stephen Harper

It's only a dark memory, an ancient shard, a byte lurking somewhere in the back eddies. It's northern Alberta, winter. The little gymnasium in the elementary school is cool and damp. It smells of a thousand games of dodge ball, of old leather pommel horses, of fold-out bleachers. At one end, below the stage under the basketball hoops, are two banquet tables manned by matronly nurses in crisp white uniforms.

Some of the children in my line are crying. I was six years old. It was vaccination day — six small scratches to test for polio. A few days later, a quick jab, a faint bull's eye that remains today.

Everything was simpler then, black and white. Communists were bad. We were the good guys. We trusted our government.

Things are different today. Political scandal heaped on political scandal has left Canadians jaded and skeptical. The House of Commons is a raucous three-ring circus.

Past prime ministers find themselves defending their actions of accepting bags full of cash from German businessmen, as if there is a compelling defence for such behaviour.

Last week, the largest health board in Newfoundland paid out \$17.5 million to about 425 men and women in compensation for botched breast cancer tests. The ensuing public inquiry concluded there was a complete breakdown of testing accountability "at all levels" within that province's health care system.

Out here on the West Coast we have had our share of system breakdowns in the health care system. Everyone seems to have a personal story.

Is it any wonder that in national polls, less than 50 per cent of Canadians are planning to get the vaccine for H1N1? It seems that most Canadians would rather trust their own defences than depend on our underfunded, porous health system and its officials. It isn't that they haven't tried. But you can only cry "Wolf!" so many times before we just get tired of running for the exits.

The World Health Organization, an official yet vaguely spurious organization has declared the H1N1 flu virus a "pandemic." What remains underreported is that this organization actually changed its definition of "pandemic," omitting the usual parameters of high morbidity and high mortality rates. That means you no longer have to die or even get really sick anymore for a disease to be declared a pandemic. So what have you got? Basically, you've got the flu.

Remember the so-called "bird flu" non-event pandemic of 2005? How about the SARS "pandemic" in 2002/2003. That one killed 774 people in the U.S., a statistical yawner. When the government says "Trust me," more and more people are replying, "Why should I?"


Peter Vincent

HEAD TO HEAD

In a normal round of flu, about 250,000 people worldwide succumb to garden variety flu, and this year, H1N1 or no H1N1, the numbers rolling in are consistent with past years. As of October 30, about 5,000 worldwide have died of the H1N1 strain of flu, including approximately 100 Canadians. Chances of dying of H1N1 are 250,000 to one. You are 20 times more likely to die in a car accident than you are of dying of H1N1.

Still, the government and the mainstream press are doing their best to whip the population into a panic-stricken frenzy over this strain of flu, to the point where seemingly rational people are willing to stand in line for hours braving the elements, surrounded by fellow paranoids, many already sporting flu-like symptoms.

As Canadian icon Allan Fotheringham recently stated in the Globe and Mail, "No [I'm not getting the shot]. I've never been so healthy since I was 18. Besides, I almost died two years ago because of a [screw-up] in hospital."

And David Suzuki, warmly embraced by our government who honoured him with the Order of Canada, responded with a resounding "Yes!" in that same Globe article, adding "Do they [Canadians] think doctors, scientists and government are out to poison them or something?" Well, no. I am not

questioning the government's motivation, just their competence. Just their medical credibility.

Just for the record, Rick Mercer says "yes," Anne Murray says "no" and Sandra Oh is undecided, stating "I just went to Whole Foods and bought \$200 worth of vitamins." Good call. If this and all types of flu flourish in those with weak or compromised immune systems, wouldn't it make sense to bolster one's own natural defence systems?

The government insists that the H1N1 vaccine does this far more effectively than Vitamin C and the like. In keeping with this exhortation, the feds have ordered up over 50 million doses of the vaccine at a cost of \$405 million. That's for a population of about 33 million. Better safe than sorry. With half the people eschewing the needle, it looks like we'll have a nice stock pile, huh?

What's a poor boy to do? Do I trust the government or my intuition? When Doc Reznick comes at me brandishing a dripping hypodermic, I think I'll pass. I'll use hand sanitizers. I'll use salt water in my nostrils.

I'll gargle lots with Listerine. I'll stalk the supplement aisles. If I develop symptoms, I'll stay at home and catch up on my reading. Call it "Dr. Vincent's Chicken Soup for the Flu" cure. Send my vaccine to Mr. Harper.

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Christmas Story Writing Contest

The deadline for our annual writing contest is Thursday, December 3rd. Win a cash prize for a story of up to 500 words about Christmas or the Christmas Season.

- Write a story of 500 words or less whose topic relates to Christmas or the Christmas season.
- All Gulf Islands students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 are eligible.
- Stories will be judged by retired teachers and librarians on quality of writing, clarity of presentation and originality of theme.
- Winning entries will be published in the Driftwood in December.
- The name, age, address and telephone number of the writer must be written on the back of each entry.
- Send entries to the Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3, email to news@gulfislands.net or fax to 250-537-2613.
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Excellent resources

I cannot agree with Mr. Friedman's view that the library houses a "tired collection." ("If island can afford library shell, can it pay for better contents?" Oct. 21 In Response piece.)

It may be that materials are tired, because they circulate so often, but certainly not because they lack currency or popularity, as he states. Each year the library adds thousands of print volumes and is also building a very popular audio book and DVD collection. The children's and teen collections have grown enormously in the last several years in a conscious effort to create a library collection to meet community needs.

In 2008 the library had a total circulation of 134,944 items and had roughly 2,020 in-person visits per week.

Circulation per capita averages 14 — a very respectable number when you consider this ranks Salt Spring as the ninth highest per capita circulation in the province out of a total of 71 public libraries. In addition, the library has a culling program that regularly weeds unused or outdated items from its collections.

Book selections are made by committees comprised of community members and result in a library collection that has a high level of community involvement and relevance. In 2007 our library was ranked the fifth lowest in the province in expenditure per capita — yet we added more books to our library than many other libraries our size. We managed this efficient use of funds in part because of our high reliance on a large group of dedicated volunteers — which we plan to continue to rely on in our new building.

The interlibrary loan services which Mr. Friedman laments is one of the most popular services offered. Not only does it serve book clubs that want multiple copies of a title but also offers quick and efficient access to millions of titles throughout the province for any member of the community. In 2008 approximately 2308 interlibrary loan requests were made and of these 1,732 or 75 per cent were successfully filled.

As to the library's reference collection, Mr. Friedman would be aware that the introduction of the internet and electronic materials generally has made the need for a large print reference collection redundant in most small public libraries. The essential materials continue to be available in print and as always we are open to suggestions for purchase if a need is identified.

The Salt Spring Public Library operates under the Library Act (Bill 12) and is regulated financially and in respect to its governance under this Act. Currently the Ministry of Education is designated to oversee public libraries in the province through the Public Library Services Branch.

Having brought over 30 years of library experience and a Masters in Library Science to my position as chief librarian I can testify to the professional library standards under which the library operates. Our library provides exemplary service at a very reasonable cost and is committed to continuing to do so in the future. Among the many services are story times, summer reading clubs, services to the print impaired and the homebound, access to electronic databases, audio books

and e-books, computer internet and Wi-Fi access and of course wonderful collections of print materials.

Please come to visit us if you aren't already aware of all we do or visit our website at <http://saltspring.bclibrary.ca> for more information on our services.

BRIGITTE PETER-CHERNEFF,
SALT SPRING CHIEF LIBRARIAN

Facts, not politics

Regarding Kees Visser's Oct. 28 In Response piece, I would like to commend Visser on his thoughtful, factual article on sea level changes. As he correctly details, sea level is constantly changing, generally over a fairly narrow range. Much of what we read in the newspapers or hear on the evening news regarding sea level changes or dangerous anthropogenic global warming/climate change is not the median expectation but the alarming outside edge of the prediction range.

Fortunately, for those interested in the facts and not the politics of climate change there is the internet. For starters and general interest I can recommend Watts Up With That (<http://wattsupwiththat.com/>) For boring technical details there are Climate Audit (www.climateaudit.org/) and Climate Observations (<http://bobtisdale.blogspot.com/>).

For a lighthearted look and instructions on creating your own "hockey stick graph" there is Lucia's The Blackboard (<http://rankexploits.com/musings/>).

(I am a retired professional geological engineer and professional environmentalist.)

GORDON FORD,
SALT SPRING

Five-metre point

I want to clarify the purpose of the article which you published two weeks ago regarding a five-metre rise in sea level. This note applies equally to the climate change walk-about which I am responsible for that was in Ganges from Oct. 21 to 25.

Yes, the emphasis was on a five-metre rise in sea level, but that was for discussion purposes and was not to be understood as a particular ultimate level. My purpose was always to point out that if we continue to live as we do and do not bring about a serious reduction in our use of hydrocarbons then we, as certainly as the people of Bangladesh and the Maldives Islands, will one day live with huge problems — a lack of most of what we consider civilized life, of

our landscape and even of our survival. So, the point is — let's get to it.

And yes, the library is probably safe for at least 100 years.

IRENE WRIGHT,
MOUNT BELCHER

Raise the weir

In his "Don't raise the weir" letter in last week's Driftwood regarding the proposed raising of the weir on St. Mary Lake, Joel Shaver expressed his concerns regarding old septic systems on lake properties.

It should be pointed out that a study of existing septic fields has been done fairly recently by VIHA. The NSSWD is aware of this study and presumably has taken this into consideration. The waterworks are indicating that they wish to raise the weir for various good reasons.

If they do raise the weir and they have a licence to do so, the new anticipated water levels will be in line or slightly less than pre-weir heights. They have charts that show this. Raising the level by approximately one foot would increase the reserve of water over the summer months, a benefit in dry years and a benefit should their demands increase in the future.

Interestingly, only four lake residents have written to the NSSWD in response to the Sept. 15 letter from Trevor Hutton. I hope the St. Mary Lake stewardship group has more interest when it is revived in the near future.

GUS MITCHELL,
SALT SPRING

End of the line

Some years ago the Globe and Mail had a competition to complete the simile "as unlikely as . . ." I submitted 13 entries — #11 was published, but not #5 "as unlikely as a King Charles II of Canada."

I hope this is true. Charles as King of Canada and Camilla as his consort is unthinkable.

The CBC reported on a recent poll that 70 per cent of Canadians under 40 are indifferent to the monarchy. I hope some member of Parliament would have the guts to propose a private member's bill to the effect that when the reign of Queen Elizabeth II ends that Canada automatically becomes a republic with the Governor General as head of state. It could be a reappointed Michaele Jean or some equally admirable successor. I would love to see a First Nations person (woman or man) as head of state. They could even be two-spined.

JACK HALLAM,
SALT SPRING

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OPINION

Climate change: deal with reality

BY TOM WRIGHT

Kees Visser's In Response of Oct. 28 on the topic of global warming was welcome. The more we discuss climate change the closer we may come to understanding it. We've got to get it right. Misinformation is positively dangerous. Visser's admonition to "stick to the facts" is a wise one.

Alarm bells went off for me, though, to see "mere"

computer modelling

referred to as armchair fiction which is consistently proven wrong. Computer modelling is a widely used self-correcting scientific tool. By continually testing hypotheses, then rigorously correcting parameters, computer modelling becomes increasingly accurate over time.

Before satellite imagery, small changes in sea level were hard to measure. Shorelines continue to adjust to post-ice age melting, some rising, some falling. Tectonic movements also change land levels, sometimes gradually, sometimes suddenly. We know that sea level was 130 metres lower 20,000 years ago, but centuries of later sea level observations were compromised by our inability to separate sea level changes from land level changes.

This probably explains why I was quite unable to confirm Prof. Nils-Axel Moerner's four "facts" in the scientific literature. Current thinking is that sea level has risen an average of two mm/year for the last century, increasing to three mm/year for the past decade, and still increasing. Sea level rises partly due to thermal expansion and partly due to melting of land ice.

Kees is quite correct to say that neither melting Arctic sea ice nor floating Antarctic shelf ice will directly affect sea level. It is not correct to say that melting glacier ice (i.e. moving land ice) will have a negligible effect on sea level, however. It is a major contributor.

It is also wishful thinking to expect increased snowfall to negate the effects of melting ice across Antarctica. For millennia, extremely low temperatures have made Antarctica a near desert. Increased snowfall will result from warming, and thicker snow packs drive the flow of glaciers to the sea.

The three largest icecaps on Earth are on Greenland, West Antarctica and East Antarctica. Our understanding of how they melt has increased tremendous-

ly in the last couple of years. Melt water has been observed flowing deep into crevasses (moulins) on icecap surfaces, particularly on Greenland and West Antarctica, as well as on glaciers worldwide. Melting and sliding then occur at the base of the ice. Spectacular increases in outward flow rates of glaciers and also "ice rivers" within the icecaps are evident. You

have only to turn on your television to see massive blocks of land ice tumbling into the ocean. This is real sea level rise.

The huge East Antarctic icecap was long believed to be thick enough to insulate deep ice layers from rapid melting. Another shock! We now know that the thick ice blanket traps geothermal heat from below. Recent seismic exploration has located large melt water lakes beneath the ice, and areas of surface slumping in the order of tens of metres suggest substantial movements of deep water.

The potential for much-accelerated collapse of the icecaps should not be ignored. The three icecaps alone contain enough ice to raise worldwide sea level by over 70 metres should they melt completely.

Since observable atmospheric CO2 continues to increase, and faster than expected melting permafrost and mountain glaciers are widely evident, it seems logical to predict faster melting of the icecaps. We do not know how fast this melting will occur, or how fast sea levels will rise as a result. Educated estimates range between one metre and three metres this century. Either would be disastrous in low-lying countries of the world.

A disruption in the climate pattern should be anticipated when the dark Arctic Ocean waters become exposed to the long summer days when the reflective ice cover melts over the next few years. Releases of methane and CO2 will intensify the warming as permafrost melts and ocean temperature rises.

We certainly should not be so complacent as to think we can carry on as normal. If "keeping a cool head" means ignoring the evidence all around us, we are in for some rude shocks.

Incidentally, the actual wording of the 4th Assessment Report of the IPCC in 2007 (mentioned by Visser in his article) was:

Warming of the climate system is unequivocal and most of the

observed increase in global average temperatures since the mid-20th century is very likely due to the observed increase in anthropo-

genic greenhouse gas concentrations.

"Anthropogenic" means "caused by humans." That's us, folks!

The writer is a geologist and environmentalist who co-wrote the climate change piece Kees Visser responded to in last week's Driftwood.

Tom Varzeliotis

Booth Canal & More

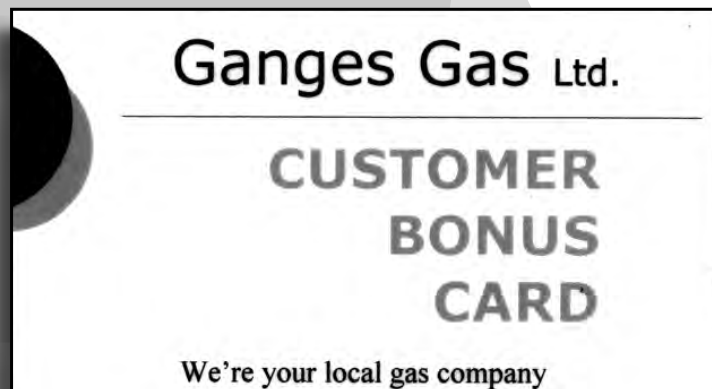
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OPINION



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IN THE ORACLE: Market vendor Fran Leask offers up a Halloween special last Saturday in Centennial Park.

LETTERS

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Invective

It's hard to leave this island without returning to discover surprising events such as the ill-natured "No insight on food policy" letter by Charles Breth on Oct. 21 — taking exception to comments by Elizabeth May about my new book, Trauma Farm, and our need to react to the climate emergency.

Nobody said that small farming is going to change the planet tomorrow, or that it will be easy. This is Mr. Breth's assumption. What Ms. May is talking about is changing the way we live and think. Living with climate change is not going to be easy either. Then Mr. Breth extols the virtues of the Tar Sands. The largest polluting project on the planet — an uneconomic madness that destroys more than it makes in order to fuel unnaturally created desires for excessive lifestyles. The Tar Sands are not a solution. They're a symptom of the current sickness that has led to potential catastrophe. Saving the planet and millions of lives isn't a topic that can be coherently covered in a short letter to the editor, but I did want to note how typical it is that the proponents of continuing our pillaging and looting tend to believe that personal invective is debate. It's not. Nor is exaggerating and distorting Ms. May's comments on the healthy benefits of local food. One of the first things we have to do to improve both the human and the world's condition is learn how to debate with a little common decency and less personal insults.

**BRIAN BRETT,
SALT SPRING**

RANTS and Roses

Rants

To the persons whose dog(s) was/were loose early Tuesday, Oct. 27 from about 4:30 a.m. on around North Beach and North End roads: your animal got into my pasture and ripped the throat of one of the sheep. Please show some responsibility and keep your dangerous animal in the house or penned up. People in the area be aware this dog is nearby, and protect your animals. Scott Merrick

Thank you to the extremely inconsiderate person who has been weeding their property on St. Mary Lake. You managed to spoil a great Sunday afternoon of fishing as my prop, my flies and my line were constantly tangled with your crap. When I returned in my boat to the north end, I then had to clean my dock and shore area as well. If anyone knows who the culprit is, please let me know as I would like to tell them what I really think. Gus Mitchell, 250-537-8730.

To the a-hole driving the van up Ganges Hill on Oct. 24 who had the nerve to throw his coffee cup out of the driver's side of his vehicle and into the oncoming lane. May Mother Nature get her revenge by stranding you and your vehicle in the deep south in a snowstorm. Tanya Van Schetsen

Roses

Salt Spring Elementary students wish to send 150 orange roses to Country Grocer for the free pumpkins. A great Halloween treat!

Roses to Maggie, Tamara and

Lillian, who guided our beautiful new daughter into the world. And to Janine, who never ceases to amaze me with her strength and grace. Richard Hayden

A gymnasium full of organic, fair trade roses to our community who showed its support for climate action at the Oct. 24 Climate Change Rally. Over 350 of us sent the message to Ottawa: "Don't let Canada sink at Copenhagen!" Special green roses to the 60 cyclists who joined in Salt Spring's largest critical mass ride ever!

A big bouquet of burgundy red roses to Salt Spring Vineyards for having the Harvest Grape Stomp at the vineyard. It was a great community event with lots of fun for all ages. We look forward to it next year. LL and SP

May I please put in a "roses" bouquet with salt water taffy to the master and crew of the Howe Sound Queen at Vesuvius for their kindness and consideration a week ago last Friday? Thank you, Driftwood too. Patricia and John Flannagan

A bucket of roses to Valdy for hauling his wife's sculpture of a giant horse made from "found" objects all over town in the back of his truck. With comments ranging from, "What the heck's that?" to "Oh my God," it took a certain amount of chutzpah to even leave Fulford! The garlic gonads were an especially aromatic touch. Thanks Valdy, we can always count on you to keep us entertained. Roger Brunt

Fragrant bunches of beautiful roses to all the people who

made Raffi's CD celebration such a success. Roses to David Wood and Thrifty's for donations of delicious refreshments, to Salt Spring Vineyards for their excellent wine, and to our many generous and hardworking volunteers. Maureen Moore

Many roses to the young man on Page 11 of the Oct. 21 Driftwood who was smart enough to wear a helmet during the Sunday program at the Kanaka Road Skate Park.

A dozen red roses, a box of chocolates and a bottle of wine for the person who found my wallet and turned it in at Country Grocer.

A doggy basket full of biscuits and roses to Malcolm, Harold, Lisa, Norah and Stephanie of Salt Spring Veterinary Services for not just saving our little Izzy's life but also giving her a quality life. Things just wouldn't be the same without her. Tanya & Mitch

A huge bouquet of thanks to Paint Plus, West of the Moon, Fables Cottage, Country Grocer, the Fritz Movie Theatre, Harlan's Chocolates, Pomodoro, Uptown Pizza, Island Star Video for their donations to Salt Spring Middle School towards their math contest.

Roses to the Salt Spring Volunteer Firefighters' Association for everything they do for our community. Thank you so much for donating your hard-earned money to buy our son an emergency stop device for his wheelchair. Salt Spring Island is that much safer because of your generosity. Chris & Faedra

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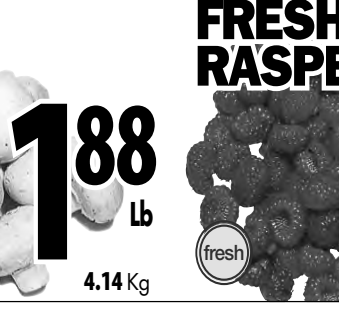
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NEWSBEAT

WISDOM

Harvard theologian offers intimate teaching on living and dying well

Stephen Jenkinson returns to Salt Spring for sessions this weekend

Those who missed this year's Our Island Our World Film Festival, might not have seen the NFB film Grief-walker, which was voted the top film of the festival.

In it, filmmaker Tim Wilson provides an extraordinary portrait of his friend Stephen Jenkinson and his work with dying people. On Friday, Nov. 6, Jenkinson will be back on Salt Spring for a public screening of the film at Salt Spring United Church at 7 p.m. It will be followed by a more intimate teaching weekend on living and dying well, on grief and the love of being alive.

After a year of presenting Grief-walker in communities across Canada, Jenkinson has participated in many spirited question and answer sessions following the film. According to press material, the film seems to detonate personal stories, memories and fears, and people seem to long for a chance to talk out loud with each other about what they have witnessed and heard, often for hours at a time.

"How we are with dying people

goes a long way to making or breaking our community life. Much is at stake at the death bed, and before and after," says Jenkinson. "We need to work hard on making a language for dying, and harder still on making for ourselves a stout willingness to be faithful witnesses to what dying does to us and what it asks of us all. The skill of dying is the same skill as deep living. I'm trying to teach people how to die well."

Members of the public are invited to the weekend-long teaching set for Nov. 7-8. Participants will explore with Jenkinson how to make meaning at the end of life, how to learn about our humanity through our capacity for love, praise and grief, and that the proper antidote to our longing to be from somewhere is learning about our spiritual ancestry. The thrust of Stephen's teaching is that grief is a skill of life and that we need to try to make a place for grief in our love of life, and learn why the end of life might be the greatest teacher of that love.

To learn more about Stephen Jenkinson's teachings, visit www.orphan-wisdom.com or contact Natasha Kong at 250-537-1817. To register for the weekend workshops, contact Kaz Amaranth at 250-537-1643 or kazamaranth@hotmail.com.

TRANSPORTATION

Cycling group gets rolling

Promoting safe and easy biking on the island

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission wants cyclists to roll up and offer input on ways to improve and encourage cycling on the island.

Commission member Kimi Hendess is trying to gather as many volunteers as possible ahead of the Salt Spring Island Bicycle Working Group's inaugural meeting on Thursday, Nov. 19.

She hopes the group will provide a venue for island cyclists to inspire the commission on how to improve the island's cycling infrastructure and promote biking as a way for more people to get to and from work or school.

The community-based advisory group will offer cyclists a laid-back setting to spread awareness of how cycling can improve the health and well-being of individuals and the planet. Hendess foresees monthly meetings where cyclists

can develop strategies to promote construction of cycling paths, education programs and other initiatives.

"I'm hoping to encourage new people to come out and get involved who may not have been involved in community issues in the past," she said. "We want a range of skill sets and areas of interest so people can work on whatever interests them, whether it be research and writing proposals to present to the transportation commission, doing bicycle safety education or whatever else the working group comes up with."

Group members will work in conjunction with the Ministry of Transportation, Island Pathways and the Salt Spring Transportation Commission.

"This group will pick up on things that have been done by other groups in the past and come up with priorities for the commission," she said.

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NEWSBEAT

SOLID

Young volunteers help out island non-profit

Pearson College students get taste of community service

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Salt Spring Island Organization for Life Improvement and Development has built its reputation on helping people living with HIV and AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa, but that doesn't mean it doesn't mind receiving a helping for itself every once in a while.

Thanks to a class at Victoria's Pearson College, four promising young adults were on the island last week to assist the organization with a number of ongoing projects and initiatives.

"They're so articulate, they're so involved and they're so present to everything," said Meron Moroz, a SOLID board member who showed young volunteers the ins and outs of island life last week.

Hieu Phan, a Vietnamese student in his second year at Pearson College, got the idea to volunteer with SOLID from one of his teachers.

In fewer than five days on the island, he said, volunteers have attended and participated in events

at Meadowbrook and Gulf Islands Secondary School, refurbished the crosses used in SOLID's annual Dec. 1 cross display and met with representatives from other island groups working with people in different parts of Africa.

In one of their final outings last week, the students joined local Girl Guides as part of SOLID's ongoing peace tile project. Hand-painted tiles adorned with messages of hope will grace the walls of the Salt Spring Coffee Company Cafe in the weeks leading up to World AIDS Day on Dec. 1.

Malaysian student Amirah Shahfudin said volunteers at SOLID and other island groups have taught her it's possible to hold down a full-time job and still contribute to the well-being of those less fortunate.

"I hope that wherever I work and whatever I do I can help in the ways that [SOLID volunteers] do," she said.

French student Levi Westerveld said he's "met a lot of really nice people and learned more about how a non-profit organization works."

Emmy Chahal, a Pearson College student from right here in B.C., commended the SOLID group for its work on numerous projects with people of all ages throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

"The organization itself is full of really inspiring people and people who care about the world," she said.

Experiences such as volunteering with SOLID, she said, pretty much sum up the type of education she

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AMIRAH SHAHFUDIN
Student, Pearson College

and other students at Pearson College receive.

"It's not a very well-known organization, but it's an incredible experience," Chahal said. "It's like living in a global village every day and any Canadian student can apply. It's not based on your financial ability because it's free. It's based on who you are as a person."

The college's International Baccalaureate program is a two-year program for students in Grade 12 and their first year of university.



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

SOLID board director Meron Moroz offered students from Victoria's Pearson College an inside look at the workings of a successful non-profit organization last week. From left are Moroz, Hieu Phan, Levi Westerveld, Amirah Shahfudin and Emmy Chahal.

TOASTMASTERS

First islander reaches district level

Bud Bowes propelled by first-place win

Salt Spring Toastmasters club member Bud Bowes is off to a district conference in Burnaby this weekend after winning first place in a District G humorous speech contest.

With his speech titled Friends and the Law, Bowes took top spot competing against five other toastmasters from Vancouver Island and Powell River. This honour was preceded by two first-place wins at the area and Salt Spring club levels.

Bowes will compete against Toastmasters from all over B.C. and Washington at the district conference, which spans three days of workshops and educational sessions.

It's the first time a Salt Spring Toastmaster has reached the district level of competition and many Salt Spring Toastmasters will be attending to support and cheer on Bowes, said club publicist Dana Pennington.

Salt Spring Toastmasters meet every Monday at 7 p.m. in the Harbour House Hotel's Crofton Room, where guests are welcome to attend.

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Notice Of Application to Volunteer as a Scrutineer and Voter Registration Salt Spring Island Public Library Referendum

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"Are you in favour of the Board of the Capital Regional District adopting both of the following Bylaws:

(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?"

Scrutineers

Applications to act as a scrutineer for those organizations for and against Bylaws Nos. 3613 and 3612 shall be received at the offices of the Capital Regional District (CRD), P. O. Box 1000, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2S6 between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm from **Tuesday, November 10, 2009 until Thursday, November 19, 2009**. Application forms and information on the requirements and procedures for making an application are available at the CRD by telephoning toll free 1.800.663.4425 local 3129 or 250.360.3129 or at the address noted above.

List of Registered Electors

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Notice of Advance Voter Registration

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MEN'S SOCCER

Alumni FC still searching for win

Old Boys move up in standings

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring's Alumni FC fell to ninth place in its division after losing a close 2-1 contest to visiting Gorge FC on Sunday morning.

"It was a hard-fought game," said player Eamon Murphy. "Gorge is just a skilled team."

Gorge FC took the lead off a penalty kick that followed a "questionable call" early in the first half.

Murphy delivered the equalizer minutes later, but a sustained attack earned Gorge FC another goal before the half.

Teams played a scoreless second half, although Alumni FC dominated possession for much of the game's latter stages, said Murphy.

The loss is Alumni FC's third defeat in as many games. The team is 11 points out of first place with a 2-6-0 record.

Murphy said the recent losing skid is a result of the team's growing injury list and the Masters-A division's highly competitive teams.

Despite the string of losses, he said, players are still confident they are playing some great soccer.

Alumni FC takes on the sixth-place Cowichan Craig St. Brew Pub (2-4-2) on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Island soccer fans will have to wait until Nov. 22 before they get the chance to watch their team play on Salt Spring.

In other Vancouver Island Soccer League action, the Salt Spring Old Boys won their second game of the season on Sunday.

"A very solid defensive performance laid the foundation for the victory," said player Richard Steel.

Mike McCormick scored the winning goal in the team's 1-0 victory over Juan de Fuca.

Old Boy Jim Witherspoon stood his ground in goal to earn the shutout.

The victory gives the team a 2-4-0 record and puts it in a three-way tie for third spot in the Masters-C division.



PHOTO BY JOHN CAMERON

Lyall Brown and Ken Marr defend the Alumni net during a corner kick.

The Old Boys tied up its season series with Juan de Fuca (2-3-0) at one win apiece.

"The spirit in the camp is very positive following two good and determined performances back to back," Steel said.

The Old Boys get a chance to climb further up their division standings on Sunday, Nov. 8 when the team travels to the Victoria area to take on Vantreights (2-3-0).

In Div.-4C action, Ganges Gremio is still undefeated after playing to a one-all tie against Juan de Fuca on Sunday afternoon.

Ryan Smith scored Gremio's one-and-only goal and the team's defence did all the rest to lock up the draw.

Gremio has won two games and tied a division-leading five matches so far this season.

The team plays at home on Sunday, Nov. 8 at Portlock Park against Gordon Head SK (3-2-2).

The team is in a four-way tie for third spot in the VISL's Division 4C.

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SPORTS & RECREATION

HOCKEY

Former islander finalist in cheer contest

Joshua Hillier now in Toronto

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A former Salt Spring resident has found himself in the national eye this fall because of his love for hockey.

Twenty-four-year-old Joshua Hillier is one of three finalists in a contest to create a new, official cheer for Hockey Canada, the organization in charge of the country's national teams.

The contest jointly sponsored by Hockey Canada, Pepsi and Gatorade saw 1,100 entries pour in over five weeks. Hillier, a graduate of a university program in film post-production work, said he first heard about it on a television ad during a Maple Leafs game.

"I had some ideas in my head and after the game I went into my room and started working things out on my computer," Hillier said on the phone from Toronto. "I consider myself to be very patriotic as it

is and hockey is my favourite sport, so it just kind of made sense."

Hillier was surprised to hear from contest organizers less than two weeks after submitting that his cheer was a top-three finalist. Canadians were able to vote for their favourite cheer on Pepsi's website from Oct. 19 to Nov. 1.

One day after the voting closed, Hillier was beginning his wait until the results are announced on Sunday, Nov. 8.

"The anticipation's pretty huge, but win or lose, I'm just glad I made it this far. If I win it will be a dream come true, and if not it was really cool to come up with something that represents the team. Hockey's such a beloved sport," Hillier said. "I'd just like to thank everyone that voted."

Hillier's cheer riffs on spelling Canada, but replaces the 'a's with 'Eh's, running: "C-Eh-N-Eh-D-Eh-N-Eh, We say . . . Go Canada Go!" If Canadian fans choose it as their favourite, it will become Team

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JOSHUA HILLIER
Cheer finalist

Canada's official cheer, led by the official Ambassador of Cheer, Cameron Hughes.

If he wins, Hillier will also receive a trip to the World Junior Championships in Saskatoon next May and a trip to the three final Men's World Championship games in Cologne, Germany.

Hillier attended school on Salt Spring in Grade 3 and Grade 6.

GISS VOLLEYBALL

Senior boys Scorpions take 5th at tourney

Look forward to alumni game on Saturday

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

GISS' senior boys volleyball team is following up its stellar 2008/09 season with a solid start this fall, said longtime coach Kellie Booth.

The team participated in a tournament at G.P. Vanier Secondary in Courtenay over the weekend, taking fifth place.

"We had a particularly strong team last year that finished eighth at the provincials," said

Booth, who described that team as the strongest she's coached in her 18-year coaching career.

"This year's version is a solid team. We have some rookie players, but they're very good."

Last weekend's tournament saw strong play from veteran players Graham Wrigley, KC Knight, Drew Storey and Evan Henshall.

Booth noted consistent serving from Charlie Holmes and Aaron Kyle.

Luc Comeau as libero gave some "terrific back-row play."

Davis Grasky did a good job as setter.

"He's a rookie player and the setter has a lot of responsibility on a volleyball team. He did a terrific job," said Booth.

Booth also noted the positive contribution made by "junior phenom" Jackson Sweetnam, a Grade 9 student who filled in for a missing senior player for the tournament.

Booth had seen Sweetnam play with the junior team a number of times and felt he was able to make the step up.

Salt Spring players have shown to good advantage in recent years.

Chris Howe, who played with the senior boys as a starting middle player last season,

is now playing with UBC's Okanagan campus team.

Current GISS senior Knight has already received a number of offers to play at the next level when he goes to college or university.

This coming weekend the Salt Spring boys will travel to Parklands Secondary in Sidney on Friday and then host an alumni game against last year's GISS seniors.

The game takes place from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and is open to the public.

GISS then hosts the North Island Championships over the weekend of Friday, Nov. 13 and Saturday, Nov. 14.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Div.-2 players relish some tough competition

Quality play also commended for Over 30s

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring United's Div.-2 women fought another hard battle at Portlock Park on Sunday, but kept their footing against Vic West in a 1-1 tie.

"It was a tough game," team spokesperson Sue-Anne Donaldson reported. "They had a large squad and we had a full team. We started strong and we finished strong."

Vic West scored first with a goal that came through a penalty shot. Salt Spring tied it up with "a really brilliant shot" by LeeAnn Norgard, whose kick grazed

Joanne O'Connor's head, ensuring the ball went into the net.

Donaldson said the team played well through defence up to mid-field, where Karla Copeland-Rice had a good game. Carol Adam was also a valuable player, jumping in net after the regular keeper was injured in the second half.

The team looks forward to playing Lakehill Reds in Victoria on Sunday.

"It's nice to be playing in this division because it's good soccer and that's what we're all looking for," said Donaldson. "Hopefully we'll keep moving up in the standings."

• Salt Spring United's Over-30s women received high praise from competitors Vic A following their Sunday match.

The team at the top of the league praised

Salt Spring as being the best team they've played so far, while the referee also commented on the team's quality play.

SS United travelled to Victoria with a team of only nine players. Sue Spencer stepped into net and for the first half hour the team bravely faced a full and healthy team from Vic West. Victoria managed to put the ball in the net four times before a 10th player arrived on the field for Salt Spring.

Despite the unbalanced teams, Salt Spring's Over 30s played an excellent defensive line with lots of passing from the defensive end, through the wings and up to the strikers, said spokesperson Louise Doucet.

Late in the first period, Carolyn Flam scored Salt Spring's only goal.

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OPINION

SOCIAL CHANGE

Living life live through us part of Macy's advice

The Work That Reconnects workshop offered by islander through RRU

BY ROWAN PERCY
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

I get up in the morning, put the kettle on, clear away last night's dishes, and watch the bronze ball of fire rise behind a strand of cloud. With a jolt, the thought of global warming incites its offspring thoughts and I wonder how many easy, secure mornings are left, to those of us who still have them.

While global warming is usually presented in hard-to-swallow facts about ice-melt, emissions, acidifying oceans and lists of changes we should make, it's not the particulars so much as the whole terrible damage to planetary systems and the undoing of evolution that breaks my heart.

How does one move from a broken heart into action? What motivates us to start or to keep taking action, especially when the situation we face gets more complicated or worse? It might not be global warming, it might be violence, or viruses or how to heal a difficult conflict.

Maggie Ziegler, who has studied with the internationally known activist and thinker Joanna Macy and now facilitates The Work That Reconnects, says, "Connecting to our gratitude for all of life and the beauty of the planet supports people finding a heart-felt

direction to contribute to change. Hard facts can be motivators but can also lead to being overwhelmed and withdrawn."

This process from gratitude to action is "a spiral movement in which gratitude grounds our ability to honour our pain for the world, which in turn shifts our way of seeing, and moves us toward deepening action."

Ziegler says, "When we find out that we can survive our pain we experience a big shift in how we see ourselves. Since our pain is also our love for the world, our relationship with the world is sustaining."

Since we are only alive because of the web of life, Joanna Macy says, we are like a nerve cell in a neural net. We can't control or see the long-term outcome of our actions and no single person or group can repair the whole world.

By releasing ourselves from grandiose goals, we relax into what we can do as a small part of a gigantic living system. This way we take part in self-healing, ours and the world's.

In The Great Turning, the shift that leads to a globally life-sustaining society, Macy says, there are three mutually interdependent spheres of human activity.

The first sphere is activism or "holding actions" (such as the recent 350 rally on Salt Spring), which include protest and opposition to laws and practices that undermine life systems.

The second sphere is sustaining actions such as saving seeds, local food production, governmental and corporate decisions that support

the healing of life systems, and the like.

The third sphere is the deep shift in consciousness based in interconnectedness. It can keep us centred as we work toward a life-sustaining world. Instead of shrinking from it, Macy affirms the power of facing the uncertainty of the future. People everywhere are uncertain, at all times, whether it is the outcome of a pregnancy, planting a garden or starting a new project.

No one knows either, whether our planet will devolve before we can return it to adequate health. We don't know if self-interest at governmental and corporate levels will outstrip the basic human will for viable life systems.

This very uncertainty, Macy says, inspires and moves us. It makes us rely on intention more than outcome, it makes us live in the moment rather than rely on nebulous hope, it opens us to a sense of the bigness of our lives and our capacity to respond, and the immensely creative synergies we can apply to the future of a healthy planet.

Synergy, working together, is a different form of power than the old hierarchical model where energy flows vertically. Synergy gives rise to new patterns, which in turn create new evolutionary possibilities.

We may experience synergy when we "let life live through us." Chloe Straw, who was at Macy's recent workshop, says, "As a young person I felt I had a huge weight to carry, simply for having been born in a time of cultural collapse. Joanna's phrase, 'life is living through us,' struck a deep shift in my perspective. I have been able to go beyond

"The breathing exercises, valuing my emotional reactions to the world's suffering, and having access to a network of people who also feel this pain has been a beautiful gift."

CHLOE STRAW
Workshop participant

feeling paralyzed. I am finding my way. The breathing exercises, valuing my emotional reactions to the world's suffering, and having access to a network of people who also feel this pain has been a beautiful gift."

By speaking the truth of our experience, trusting that our responses are shared by others, being willing to take risks with new behaviours and actions, dropping old roles, we can regain the rhythm of life that can heal the well-being of the whole.

A link to Ziegler's workshop, which runs Nov. 14-15, can be found at www.royalroads.ca/continuing-studies/certificate-programs/ecological-literacy-competency-framework.htm

OPINION

Consider cat's plight

Last Thursday we heard a plaintive mewing at the front door and there was a stray cat. He was small, thin, and black with a white bib and white feet and white moustache and green eyes, with a purple collar and no tag. He or she was desperately hungry, so we supplied food and milk and the cat stayed outside on the mat, or keeping warm by the dryer vent.

The SPCA advised us not to feed it and to place a poster at our mailbox, which we did. We called all of our neighbours and nobody was missing a cat.

The cat had an abscess that started to drain by Monday and eventually the SPCA allowed us to take the cat in for treatment and potential adoption.

A garland of white roses for the people and volunteers that help make SPCA tick.

For the person or persons that deliberately drove their cat to Sarah Way and then left it to its own devices, just consider this.

If you were sick or no longer fitting in, how would you feel if I drove you to nowhere and then dropped you off to fend for yourself, most likely to starve or die of exposure? Your karma has now changed and only several good deeds of paying forward will ever come close to restoring it.

JACK YENSEN,
SALT SPRING

Series appreciated

I would like to thank Denis Russell and Community Education for the Wednesday morning lecture series on "how Salt Spring works."

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the program on education but the previous two presentations, on the Islands Trust with George Ehring and PARC with Kees Ruurs were both very informative, well presented, in an appropriate venue and with interesting question periods. My only concerns were the cancellation of the health care program and the poor turnout of islanders.

SUE MOUAT,
SALT SPRING

Clearing the way

I read your article on beach access ("Residents speak up to preserve beach access" in the Sept. 23 Driftwood with interest and alarm.

Beach accesses are public property under the remit of the Ministry of Transportation and, if access is being denied or limited under threat by others, it is up to us to protect our rights. We can do this by not only pressing the relevant authorities but also by our personal actions.

This issue is as old as the hills in places like the U.K. which is criss-crossed by public paths and bridle-ways. Farmers are notorious for skulduggery in militating against public access (misleading signage, barbed-wire, locked gates, bulls in fields, etc).

They are countered by various hiking and special-interest groups who make it their business to "walk" the access ways periodically, maintain signposts (often replacing "missing" ones), "arrow" the routes, dismantle improper "Keep Out"

MORE LETTERS

and "No Trespassing" signs, clear any imported obstructions (like felled trees and junked cars) and keep them clear and open. Would any such groups on Salt Spring like to step forward and take an interest in this, either formally or informally?

If threats are explicitly (or implicitly in this particular case) made against members of the public, this is serious stuff (I think maybe a criminal offence) and the police have to get involved.

Last I heard (albeit in Alberta) was of a farmer who with his shotgun threatened a hunter who strayed; the shotgun was confiscated, he was heavily fined and banned from using weapons for two years.

That was in Wild West Alberta where one would expect that as an everyday event, a matter of norm, and our response in B.C. should be at least as forthright.

ROSS KING,
SALT SPRING

Pathways gratitude

On behalf of Greenwood's Eldercare Society, I wish to convey appreciation to Partners Creating Pathways for resolution of significant safety issues.

Completion of paved pathways on Blain and Crofton roads creates safe areas for pedestrians, with and without mobility aides, to access amenities in this busy neighbourhood.

Initiation and organization by PCP to plan, then amass funding, demonstrates commendable cooperation in our community. Donors' remarkable generosity allowed project completion to proceed quickly.

Specifically, GES is grateful for improved safety for residents of Braehaven and Greenwood's as well as clients, families, volunteers and staff assisting delivery of GES residential/community programs.

Community respect to keep designated pedestrian areas of Blain and Crofton roads free of parked cars is anticipated.

Congratulations and sincere thanks for another PCP success.

JEAN TAYLOR,
BOARD CHAIR, GREENWOODS ELDERCARE SOCIETY

Timely gathering

For people feeling overwhelmed by talk of global warming and climate change, a recent gathering of islanders gave hope for positive community action.

Over 135 residents from all 13 islands in the Islands Trust met Oct. 24 at Gulf Islands Secondary School to share experiences and ideas on community responses to climate change. The event coincided with the International Day of Climate Action.

Sponsored by the Gulf Islands Alliance, a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to upholding the "preserve and protect" mandate of the Islands Trust Act, the meeting was held to connect people working separately

on each island who share a common vision.

Guest speakers included Guy Dauncey, Neil Dawe, Sheila Malcolmson and Karen Lanphear. Dauncey talked about the climate crisis and the birth of a new solar age. This event marked the launching of his latest book called The Climate Challenge: 101 Solutions to Global Warming.

Islands Trust chair Malcolmson described the Trust's response to new provincial requirements for all local governments created by Bill 27.

This bill requires local governments to include plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions by next May.

Stating that "sustainable growth" is not possible, Dawe pulled no punches. He outlined measures to achieve a steady-state economy with consumption and waste production levels brought back to 1950 levels.

Lanphear, a co-founder of the Sandpoint Transition Initiative in Idaho, invited people to work towards turning Salt Spring or the entire Gulf Islands into a "transition community." Currently, she said that there are 267 transition communities worldwide and many more considering it.

Following the presentations, islanders reported on innovations for "transitioning" to sustainable communities on their islands.

We heard about the Community Energy Strategy and Area Farm Plan on Salt Spring, the Community Food Program on Galiano, a heritage seed preservation and promotion society, the West Coast Climate Equity website, the Integrated Water Systems Society on Mayne, green burial and shoreline sustainability initiatives on Denman, and several transportation projects on Mayne, Lasqueti, Salt Spring, Pender and Hornby.

Small groups then spent some time focusing on key topics, followed by a wrap-up session with all the speakers reflecting on a wide-ranging review of the day's activities. The day ended with a new song from Phil Vernon, inspiring us all to "Be the Change."

All in all, it was a valuable and timely gathering of islanders, providing a wealth of great ideas. For more information, check out the GIA website at www.gulfislandsalliance.ca

DAVID DENNING,
HARRISON AVENUE

Eyes on the prize

The prize: \$4.55 million of federal and provincial funding for the building of the new library.

Could this be a whack of dough, particularly in these "interesting" financial times? You bet.

A "yes" vote in the Dec. 5 referendum required for the remaining one-third of project funding to secure the deal and get on with getting on? You bet.

I recall the eye-grabbing ads extolling a "one-day-only sale." Didn't work for me: I went on Wednesday. This time I think I'll show up before everything worthwhile has been sold.

Eyes on the prize.
MADELAINE ATKINS,
GANGES

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ALL ARE WELCOME

The Artist in the Class Program is looking for literary, performing and visual artists who have the passion and skill to share their knowledge with students in our school community. Our purpose is to give the arts a stronger presence in the everyday lives of students by bringing the artists of Salt Spring Island into the classroom to share their skills and to create an awareness of arts in our community. Interested? For more information please call Rineke Jonker @ 250-537-1923. Or, pick up your application at the Arts Council Office located in Mahon Hall. If you would like an application form emailed to you as a word document you can do so by emailing Rineke at rineke.jonker@gmail.com. **Deadline for applications is November 11, 2009.**

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BCNDP
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Lest We Forget: Canada's War in Afghanistan, a presentation by one of our newest residents, Michael Byers, who holds the Canada Research Chair in Global Politics and International Law at the University of British Columbia. He is the best-selling author of War Law (2005), Intent for a Nation (2007) and Who Owns the Arctic? (2009).
Date: Remembrance Day, Nov. 11
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This Week's Horoscope

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Tip of the Week:

The deep dark of the season is ever mysterious. Psychologically, darkness can bring forth fears and depression. At best, we seek profound insight at this time. Turning inward to rest and retreat as we can, there is a definite shift in consciousness. Between the beautiful colours of autumn and the snows of winter, Scorpio time is truly a reflection of the themes that the scorpion symbolizes. Not surprisingly, Scorpio is the sign of depth psychology. Penetrating to the deeper layers of anything is Scorpio's domain. Research, investigations, espionage, murder mysteries, quantum physics, plumbing, mining, deep sea divers and other such fields of human endeavour are symbolically linked to Scorpio. With Sun and Mercury and Venus (November 7) in the sign of death and rebirth and cyclic renewal, it will seem that much darker this year. Travel to exotic places where the sun is bright and temperatures are hot, will prove extra tempting. On the other hand, this can prove to be an excellent time to focus on needed healing, rest and retreat that the adventures and stresses of travel may not be able to satisfy. Surrender to the flow and allow the deep healing of Scorpio to do its work.

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

You are hot on the trail to get some real answers. Investments, adventure, games and social networking are all likely areas of focus. Other players are demanding more from you, commitments. You may be surprised to discover how ready you feel to comply. Desires for more depth, intimacy and passion could prove to be the deciding factor.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21)

Desires for intimate exchange and passionate embrace are growing steadily now. As much as this may include romantic relationships, it may also apply to your career as well. Gaining more knowledge may lead you to seek teachers and mentors now. You are ready to take risks in your career to overcome stagnation, confusion and uncertainty. Commit to change!

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

A deep healing process has begun for you. Education and new knowledge and possibly travel is implied. This is a good time to clear out the old to make way for the new. Concentrate and follow through and you will feel rejuvenated. Perhaps it is your closets or basement or perhaps it is a body cleanse or maybe simply clearing debts whether financial or personal will lift your spirits.

Cancer (Jun 22 – Jul 22)

You are in a very creative cycle now. It will only last a couple more weeks so act on it. You may feel inventive. With growing ambitions to support your focus, you have reason to succeed. You may be experiencing fears. These may be financial or they may include issues of mortality and death. Seeking assurance and insurances is common. Seek your soul, mate!

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 23)

The lion's roar may sound louder than usual now. Why not let our some of your passions? Repressing them will only depress you anyway. On the other hand, can you roar with out biting and scratching others? Summon your feline prowess to enchant as well as to entertain and impress those you love with your natural powers.

Virgo (Aug 24 – Sep 22)

Exploring new territory in more ways than one should be keeping you busy now. Investigating strategies to stimulate new streams of income is likely. This is a good time to initiate the process, at least by getting good answers. You may have to do most if not all of the work yourself, however. Avoid leaning on others but do be open to expert advice.

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22)

A new resolve is being born in you. You are ready to exercise new disciplines to achieve greater measures of power. Since even great wealth and fame and achievement and so on is of little value without health to enjoy it, make sure your priorities are clear. Do push through and beyond resistances, especially those coming from within. Associate pain to bad old habits with the power of your imagination.

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21)

The time has come to take some pioneering leads. Desires for true love may be your goal. This is a good time to learn new skills as well. What tantric secrets might you uncover? Flirting with all kinds of new possibilities will keep you busy starting this week. At worst, you will feel divided between objectives. Take your time, if you can. Be willing to get out of your own way and try something new.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21)

Taking the time to loom within continues. You may feel brass and bold and courageous to explore. Nurturing new attitudes and visions is also likely. These may well be linked to new modes of knowledge. Returns for past efforts or lack thereof will become apparent now. Hopefully, you have been listening within and making sincere efforts.

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19)

You may feel like you are at the top of the mountain now. The question is; do you feel the glory or do you simply feel the cold, or both. Enduring a long climb and achieving the peak is certainly a symbol of success, whatever the mountain may be. Staying there is the other consideration and climbing back down is yet another. Each phase has its time and place and somehow all three are on your mind.

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 19)

The paradox of power for you is the realization that unless it serves a higher good, it is actually not power at all. There are many who vie for power to control but your lesson it to harness it to serve. If you do not do so, you will suffer sooner or later. Don't be fooled by elitist attitudes and goals – it is just ego in its triumph. Yet, you must make use of your ego to succeed. Strike the true balance!

Pisces (Feb 20 – Mar 20)

You are entering into a metamorphic process. If you are wise and listen within and heed the signs without, you will emerge rejuvenated, empowered and freer. In the now, aim to cultivate a healthier rhythm and routine; associate pleasure to a deep commitment to health. Don't think 'should' act on it as soon as it emerges and do not point it at any one but you. Outline your goals and objectives with words and clear pictures.



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Lime: a small citrus fruit, whose skin and flesh are green in color and which have an oval or round shape with a diameter between one to three inches. Limes can either be sour or sweet, valued both for the acidity of their juice and the floral aroma of their zest. Lime is a very common ingredient in authentic Mexican and Thai dishes. I love using limes both for their juice as well as their zest. Add flair to your favorite recipe in a flash by adding a hint of lime.



Grate **1 cup cheese**. Set aside. In a small bowl combine **1 diced chicken breast, zest and juice of one lime, 2 tablespoons chili powder, 2 cloves garlic minced, ¼ teaspoon cracked black pepper** (optional, **1 minced chopped pickled jalapeno** for extra heat.) Set aside covered for 15 minutes. De-cob **1 cob of corn**, or use **½ cup drained canned corn**. Mince **1 green pepper**. In **2 tablespoons oil** pan fry the chicken and vegetable mixture until cooked through. Heat a large pre-oiled skillet on medium high heat. Place **1 of 4 tortillas** in the skillet. Place **¼ grated cheese** on half of the tortilla, at least ½ inch from the edge. Add ¼ cup of the mixed filling. Fold the tortilla over like an omelet, and press down on the folded tortilla with a spatula. Lower the heat to medium. When the cheese inside the quesadilla has melted, remove the quesadilla to a cutting board. Cut into 3 triangles. Repeat with remaining tortillas. Serve with **sour cream and salsa**.

Shopping list:

- Cheese
- Chicken Breast
- 1 Lime
- Chili Powder
- Garlic
- Cracked Black Pepper
- Pickled Jalapeno
- 1 Cob of Corn
- 1 Green Pepper
- Oil
- Cooking Spray
- Tortillas
- Sour Cream
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Crew of the HMS Ganges in the Royal Navy in World War II, portrayed in a Christmas card. Harry Bolland, the uncle of Pat O'Neill of Salt Spring Island, was a member of the crew.

WORLD WAR I

An island man's story of the First World War



At top, the Canadian National Vimy Memorial overlooks the Douai plain in France, as described in the piece by Malcolm Bond; above, Salt Spring Islanders gather at the first cenotaph in Ganges, erected to commemorate WWI vets from Salt Spring and Galiano Islands; above right, that cenotaph up close.

Salt Spring son keeps the memories alive

BY MALCOLM BOND
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

All but one Canadian from World War I have died and many of the sons and daughters of these veterans have too.

I was born when my father Jesse Bond was 48, so I still have the memory of his recollections of 1915 to 1919 (his serving time), often told at dinner with other vets or at his battalion reunions in the 1960s.

People like Ted Barris and Pierre Burton have so vividly recalled the stories of soldiers such as Will Bird, Gregory Clark, Victor Odium, Cy Peck, George Peakes and so on, but the vast number of stories remain untold and unknown. When my generation is gone, these stories will almost all be gone too.

The first contingent of Canadian volunteers signed up at the outbreak of war in 1914.

Many were recent immigrants from the U.K. expecting a free ride home, a bit of adventure and showing support for a conflict that was supposed to be over by Christmas.

When it was obvious that there was a stalemate in France, the call went out throughout the British Empire for volunteers to serve for king and country. Jesse Bond was in that group. He, Vic Jackson, Bev Ackland and Dudley "Tiny" Seymour all enlisted together.



They probably caught a boat to Sidney, then took the "cordwood" railway to Victoria.

Thence they went to the Armory and were assigned to training at the Willows Barracks and formed the 48th Battalion of the Canadian Army. That summer they boarded a ship in Victoria and sailed through the Panama, stopping at Royal Navy bases in Kingston, Jamaica and Bermuda and finally landing in Plymouth, England.

They encamped on the Salisbury Plain and underwent further training.

The 48th never went into battles as a unit.

Due to severe casualties in the Canadian 1st Division, suffered especially during the first gas attacks at the battle of Second Ypres, some of the battalion, 1 and 2 companies, were sent to France

as replenishments in the fall of 1915, while 3 and 4 companies were kept in Britain and put to work harvesting timber that was sent to the front. Jesse was in 3rd company.

The 3rd and 4th companies were assigned, I believe, to the Edmontons in early 1916 and became part of the 3rd Canadian "Pioneers" Division.

Their first assignment on their first night in battle in France was to restore communication trenches to the front line trench.

These trenches had been severely damaged by artillery and as a result it was difficult to get supplies to the front line.

Jesse's platoon had no sooner gotten out into No Man's Land in the dark when the enemy lit up the area with starshells and in the brilliance they swept the area with machine gun fire. Jesse and his best friend spotted a nearby bomb crater and they jumped into this for cover.

The shelling went on for hours. Jesse's pal decided they would try to get back to the Canadian line. Jesse felt it was safer to stay put "below the horizon." In a brief lull his pal got up and made a run for it in the dark. He had only a few seconds before the next starshells illuminated the field.

To his horror Jesse saw his friend 30 feet away tangled in barb wire. Worse still, he saw him cut in half by machine-gun fire.

JESSE BOND continued on B3

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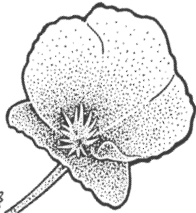
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Andrew Hepburn on Radar Hill near Kandahar. Following his deployment to Afghanistan, Hepburn was promoted to captain and served three years with the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) Headquarters in Colorado Springs, CO. He is currently assigned to the Canadian Special Operations Forces Command in Ottawa. Capt. Hepburn is the son of Duncan and Emily Hepburn of Salt Spring.



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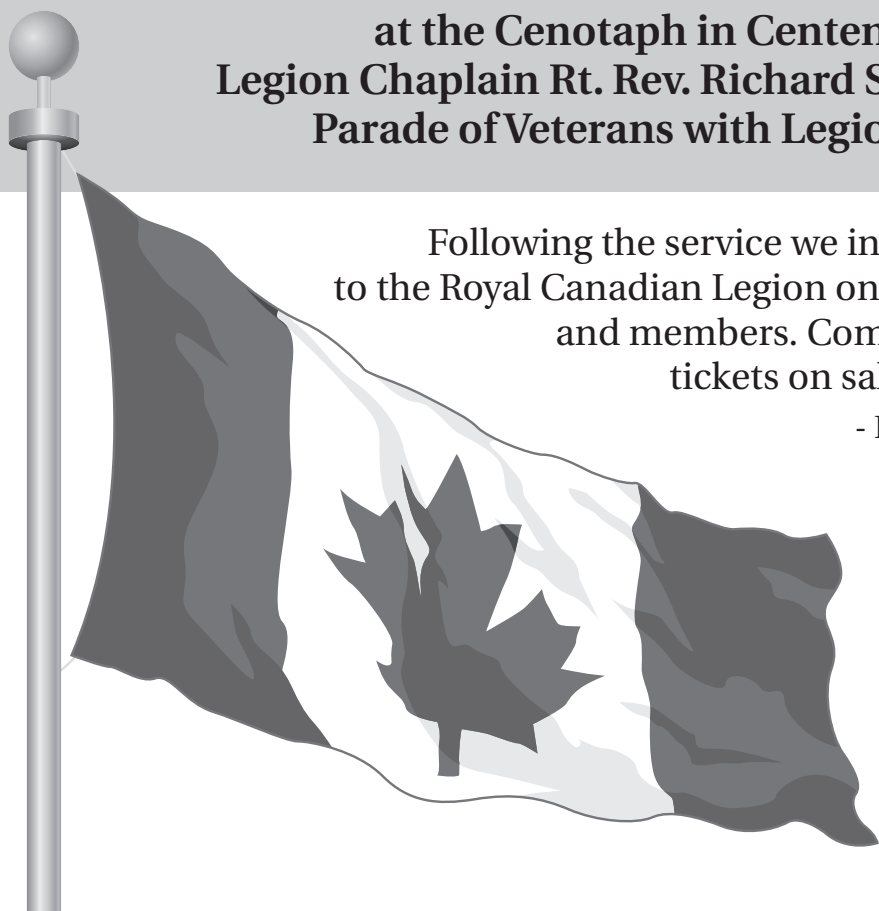
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Emotion remained for survivors

JESSE BOND
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Jesse stayed put. He was sure his end had come. He said, "I decided to take as many Germans as I could before they got me." The 21-year-old from Salt Spring Island took his Ross rifle apart, cleaned it, put it together and waited for the end. Then he realized he was alone and in the shock and confusion as well as the pitch-black night he also realized that he was lost. He did not know where the Canadian jump off point was.

He didn't dare light a match to check his compass for direction, so he just stayed put. Then for what seemed like forever, the shelling stopped. And a little while later the faint glow of sunrise in the eastern sky gave him the clue he needed to get back to his base. He crawled out and was soon "safe."

At muster that morning, only two men in the platoon of 30 were unharmed. The rest were either dead or wounded in No Man's Land. Jesse recalled, "For the next three or four days I was in a daze, doing my duties much like a robot . . . I thought the odds of surviving were small."

After six months of front line action, Jesse



From left, Jesse Bond, with friends Ian Halley, Dun Halley and Bill Evans in Bull-ock's Lake, 1913. Bond and Ian Halley volunteered to serve in WWI.

got a lucky break, which "I think saved my life." While stretcher bearing one day, he found himself at a medical clearing station right next to the officer's mess about 800 metres behind the front. An officer came out and asked, "Can any of you fellows cook?" Jesse's hand went up. He had learned to cook at Mr. Bullock's on Salt Spring before the war. The officer said, "Private, you're to stay here and cook." Jesse said, "One of the rules in the army was to follow the last order."

He didn't know that his predecessor had been killed by an incoming shell the previous night, but it was still a lot safer than assaulting machine guns.

Six months later he was transferred to the Light Railway. It was there he met a future life-long friend. After Vimy Ridge, a group of soldiers were sitting around in the sunshine looking out over the Douai Plain from the top of the ridge. To this one fellow with a Scottish accent he said, "Where are you from?"

The fellow replied, "West Coast."

Jesse said, "I'm from the West Coast. Where on the coast are you from?"

The fellow replied "Ach, it's a little island ou' there. You'd never know it."

Jesse looked at him and asked, "You didn't play football for the Pender Island team?"

They suddenly realized they had something in common. The man was Jimmy Bradley, whose descendants still live on Pender and Salt Spring. Jesse and Jimmy visited back and forth for years.

There are more stories to tell. At reunions in the 1960s, which were father and son get-togethers in Victoria, the vets would reminisce: "Paschendaale was the worst"; Aug. 8, 1918 was a day Dad never forgot. Every year he would get up and proclaim "Aug. 8, today is Amiens day. It's the day we broke the German line."

The Canadians had come of age. They had finally become the "Storm Troopers" of the British Empire. They

were the spearhead of the Allied attacks in the "blackest 100 days," as German General Ludendorff proclaimed. They were the first Allied troops to break through the German lines and into open country.

Jesse and his pals were proud of their achievements, but emotion never left the voices of these old men at their reunions. They were the survivors of the world's worst cataclysm to date.

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A boy's memory of World War II

The following piece was submitted by Robert O'Neill of Salt Spring Island, describing his experiences as a child during World War II in England.

World War II started on Sept. 3, 1939. Robert was just past his 10th birthday, born June 6, 1929. The children of Great Britain's major cities were evacuated from Acton, London to the southern coastal area of Dorset to a village named Chickerall, where Robert was to live for close to three years.

But village life was far different from the crowded populace of Good Old London Town. He was also to be caned in front of the other school children to learn a lesson for "scrumping" apples. So the previous night he had packed a small bag with food and tied it to the end of a stick, just like the hobos did. Then early the next day he walked the three miles to Weymouth railway station. There he purchased a one-penny platform ticket, boarded the train discreetly and locked himself in the toilet. The sign said "Occupied" for the next three hours.

Arriving in London, he waited until the passengers alighted, then went down onto the platform and made for the exit where he was approached by a tall policeman in the characteristic Bobbies' tall hat.

"Just a moment there son," the policeman said. "Where do you think you're going?"

Robert showed him his platform ticket and answered, "Going home!"

"So, where is home," he asked.

"Why, here in London of course!" said Robert.

The policeman examined the ticket. "So you think you are in London then?"

Robert replied in the affirmative.

"Can you read then?" he was asked. "If so, then read that sign!" He pointed to the other side of the tracks to the opposite platform.

"Temple Meads," Robert read out for him.

"So where is that then?" questioned the Bobbie.

"Why in London, of course," was the reply.

"Well my lad, you had better come with me, for you're in Bristol."

Robert had not noticed that in the station of Weymouth were two trains side by side—one going east to Lon-

don, scheduled to leave at 0900, while the west-bound train was due out to Bristol at 0855. So arriving at the Bristol Police Headquarters he was taken down to the below ground cells, then given a soft mattress for the hard bunk bed, while the cell door was left open. The same policeman then informed Robert he was to be taken next morning back to his foster parents. Meanwhile he was told to get some sleep after he was brought some food and goodies, for there was the annual police ball that evening.

"You'll be all right, so get some sleep and we will drive you back bright and early."

That night, although Robert did not hear a thing since the cell was below ground level, there was a massive blitz on Bristol, for the Bristol Channel was also the assembly area for convoys to and from North America and Canada, with food and war supplies. The first wave of the German Luftwaffe was to level the area close to the police headquarters and the Bristol Cathedral, leaving them as markers for the next wave of heavier bombers to bomb the ships assembled in the Bristol Sound.

Next morning little did Robert know that all around him had been attacked and levelled. The constable who had brought him there said they could not get him back for a while, as all the roads to the outskirts and back to Weymouth had been blocked with wreckage and had to be first cleared and that would take a few days. Meanwhile, he was to accompany him, on the back of his horse, since they could not get cars on the roads.

So Robert had the unusual experience for the next three days of riding with him while he toured and policed the area, prior to driving him back to the Chickerall village.

On the fourth morning, Robert was driven the four-hour journey back to his foster parents. They welcomed him back and the next day he returned to school.

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He was not caned and the principal was cordial and welcomed him back to join the other school children who all believed he had been through a rough experience. He was, in fact, the hero of the day for the adventure he had undergone.

The foster family gave him all the attention he needed and he settled back into the life of the village community. He no longer scrumped apples, but helped to harvest them, so all could enjoy them, particularly since there was a rationing system and food in any form was important. Merchant ships coming with foods from outside the UK were often sunk by German U-boats, even if in a protected convoy.

After three years in the country he returned to London and shortly after enrolled at the

Acton Technical College, until his 15th year, when the war came to an end. When he began his working and professional life, he became an apprenticed airframes fitter at the RAF Halton Camp in Buckinghamshire. He later became a navigator and trained in what was then Southern Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe.

He had seen, during the war, what the Germans could do with their Junker 88 bombers and had watched the Battle of Britain unfold at close range. Many of these battles were conducted over their heads, for Portland Harbour was just four miles distant and was a dock for British submarines and naval shipping.

The Stuka dive bombers actually started their almost-vertical dives over the village. Once, a German bomber, trying to get back across the English Channel after receiving anti-aircraft fire and being hit, crashed in the fields nearby. Robert and other children went to view the scene where the army soldiers had removed the burnt bodies from the wreckage, the first time in his life he was to see actual dead and burnt corpses.

War was not a pleasant thing to witness. Some village houses were also destroyed and civilian casualties resulted. When he did return to London he saw too the wreckage and damage to his home city. Later, he also experienced the German "Doodle Bugs," a rocket-propelled, unmanned, flying bomb, and the V2 rockets that could not be shot down, as they plummeted in from high above British cities to inflict major damage to civil populations.

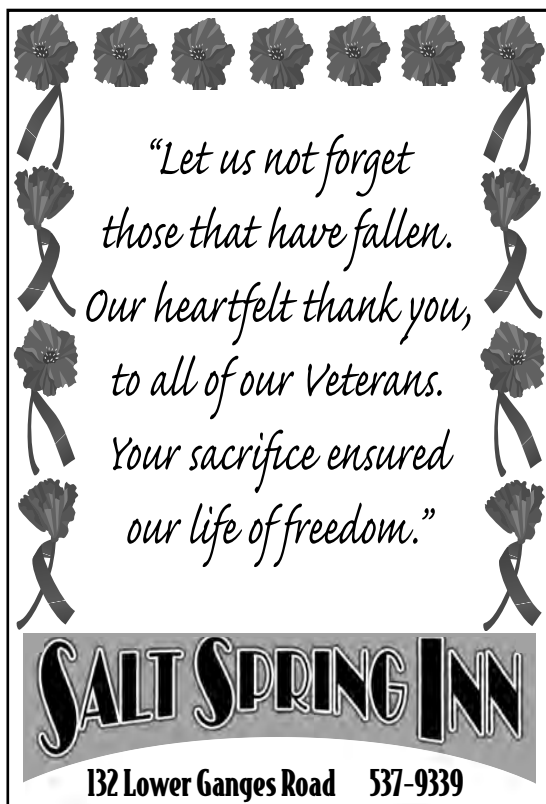
The adventure that war promised in his younger years was now a stark reality. The toll increased and by the war's end in 1945 over 57 million lives had been sacrificed to bring about its termination.



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Remembrance, survival and renewal

Islander recommends visit to Canadian War Museum

BY JANE HORSBURGH
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Until the Canadian War Museum opened its doors in 2006 on LeBreton Flats, an unremarkable piece of ground west of and below Parliament Hill, Canada had no war museum worthy of its fighting forces. Now it does.

From the hill above, the building appears to be built into the ground, having a grass sod roof. While the 10,684 square metres of this roof assist the energy efficiency of the building, it also replicates the living hell of life in trenches in the First World War. Inside, all the wars that Canada has ever fought, from earliest times long before Canada was even thought of as a country, through to Canada's outstanding peacekeeping role, are depicted in panoramas with weaponry, tactics, winners, losers, all movingly portrayed.

More remarkable than the exhibits is the building itself, designed by Raymond Moriyama, who said, "While nature may be ravaged by human acts of war, it inevitably survives,



PHOTO BY JANE HORSBURGH

The Canadian War Museum is worth visiting in Ottawa.

generates and renews itself." It is a place of regeneration, of contemplation and above all of remembrance. Remembrance comes with aching clarity when a visitor enters the Memorial Hall. A narrowing, high concrete wall with sloping sides and floor leads via a small entrance to a stark room. One window high up on one wall lights the plain concrete walls; a quiet pool lies below. There is one stone bench. And on the wall opposite the window, lower down but in line with it, is affixed the tombstone of the Unknown Soldier who was brought home from France a few years ago. The Unknown Soldier himself lies in a grave just below the War Memorial on Elgin Street in Ottawa. But his gravestone is here

in the War Museum and this quiet room honours him and his fellow soldiers and is a place of comfort for the living who come to remember the beloved dead. For on Nov. 11, if the sun is shining, a beam through that window will travel across the floor and up the opposite wall to light the tombstone at exactly 11 a.m.

Remembrance and hope are everywhere. In Regeneration Hall, a visitor descends the stairs to be surrounded by replicas of all the statues that grace the Vimy Memorial in France. There are no finished walls here, just bare steel girders that rise and twist upward and inward to resemble a blasted cathedral. At the end is a long window, slanted not straight, and when you climb the stairs again

up from the ruined cathedral and turn to look through the window, what greets you is the Peace Tower. Inside is a constant humming and sighing — the

wind in the steel — and beyond there is hope, the symbol of the Peace Tower and all it represents for Canada.

A third unforgettable image is the stark wall of what appear to be small windows set into the pointed wall. They are not strange to anyone who knows Morse Code for they read in English and French: "Lest We Forget."

Canada waited long for a worthy museum to honour its forces. This stunning and unforgettable building is a remarkable addition to our heritage. If Canada's military history matters to you, go to Ottawa and visit the museum.

Seen left to right are Lawrence McFadden, Antony Hedger, Millard Cantrill and William McFadden.

Laurie Hedger (baby), Agnes Hedger and Alan Hedger.

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Wed. Nov. 4

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Music, The Memories. Music and Munch at All Saints church. Songs and poetry to commemorate Remembrance Day. 12:10 p.m.

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.

Swing Dance Class. For beginners. Every Wednesday at Mahon Hall, 7 to 9 p.m., until Nov. 18.

Pleasure Craft Operator Card Courses.

Prepare for your PCOC test with Auxiliary Unit 25. Room S107 at GISS. 2:30-6 p.m. Info/registration: Tom McKeachie, tymck@telus.net or 250-537-5637.

Thurs. Nov. 5

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Geoff Horrocks & Patti Lamoureux. Fiddle champion and piano house concert, fundraiser for fiddle camp bursaries. 175 Kanaka Rd. 8 p.m.

Light & Metal. MovEnt & Tara Cheyenne Dance team up for an exciting double bill of new dance. ArtSpring. With curtain raisers The Lobby Dancers. 8 p.m.

Stack Sisters with Andy Hickman. Blues at Moby's. 8-11 p.m.

Open Mic. Hosted by Stephanie Rhodes at The Local. 8 p.m.

Fulford Open Mike Night. With Dale and Dave at the Fulford Inn on Thursdays.

ACTIVITIES

Painting Classes. Watercolour & Acrylics with Val Konig run Thursdays through Dec. 10 at 218 Byron Rd. Time negotiable. Info: Val Konig, 250-537-4660 or vkonig@telus.net.

Climbing Wall. Open on Thursdays and Sundays behind Community Services. 6:30-9 p.m. Info: 250-537-8970.

Bingo. Meaden Hall. 7 p.m. Early bird games at 6:30.

Fri. Nov. 6

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Having Hope at Home. SS Community Theatre comedy at Mahon Hall. 8 p.m.

Clinton Fearon. Jamaican roots reggae legend plays acoustic concert at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

Alan Miceli. Guitarist performs at Harbour House Hotel. 7:30-10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Library StoryTime: G is for Green. Listen to "White is the Moon" and other surprises as Erin explores colour. For children in early grades and preschoolers. 1 p.m. at the library.

Griefwalker. NFB film screening with Stephen Jenkinson. United Church. 7 p.m.

Elements of Magic Workshop. First session in weekend workshop begins. Info: farmboy@uvic.ca or 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. Nov. 7

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Having Hope at Home. SS Community Theatre comedy at Mahon Hall. 8 p.m.

Turandot (The Met Live in HD). Met Opera production of director Franco Zeffirelli's production of Puccini's last opera. ArtSpring. 10 a.m.

Hommage. American jazz and classical pianist Chris Jarrett performs at All Saints. 7:30 p.m.

Jose Sanchez Cuban Party & Fundraiser. Benefit for Terralingua. Fulford Hall. 8 p.m.

Alan Moberg. Performs at Harbour House Hotel. 7:30-10 p.m.

Paxton Bachman. Moby's. 8-11 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Val Haigh Book Signing. Salt Spring author signs copies of *Tryste* and *The Sea* at Salt Spring Books. 10:30 a.m.

Greenwoods Eldercare Societies' Christmas Craft Sale. First annual sale at Braehaven. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

End of Money & Future of Civilization. Talk and book signing with author Thomas Greco. Central Hall. 2 p.m.

How It All Could Be. Study group teaching with Stephen Jenkinson. 380 Wright Rd. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register: Kaz. 250-537-1643.

Sun. Nov. 08

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

QuintEssential. Jazz at Moby's. 7-10 p.m.

The Barley Brothers. Still alive and un-plugged. Every Sunday at the Fulford Inn. 6:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Cougar Annie Revisited. Song & slide presentation by Katrina Kadoski. Lions Hall. 7:30 p.m.

Making a Village Whole. Study group teaching with Stephen Jenkinson. 380 Wright Rd. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Register: Kaz. 250-537-1643.

Self Care for Colds and Flu. Presented by homeopaths Karin Beviere and Tami Dos Santos. Arbutus Therapy Centre. 2 p.m.

Register: Tami, 250-537-4728, ext. 1.

Salt Spring Badminton Club. Sundays for age 12 and up at GISS gym. 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Climbing Wall. Open Thursdays and Sundays at Community Services. 6:30-9 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 09

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Connie Kaldor. Salt Spring Folk Club performer, with opening act KC Kelly and Sandi Proffitt. Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

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.

Tues. Nov. 10

ACTIVITIES

Taoist Ti Chi. New beginner class at All Saints on Tuesdays. 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Wed. Nov. 11

ACTIVITIES

Remembrance Day at the Legion. Pancake breakfast, 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Meat draw at 2 p.m.

Remembrance Day Ceremony. 10:45 a.m. at Centennial Park.

Clarity & Radiance, Pt. II SSI Painters Guild workshop with Suzanne Pendergast. ArtSpring, 9 a.m. to noon. See www.sspaintersguild.com for details.

Let's We Forget: Canada's War in Afghanistan. Salt Spring resident Michael Byers speaks on the mission in Afghanistan and why it has failed. Lions Hall. 4 p.m.

Swing Dance Class. See last Wednesday's listing.

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- 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.
 - Salt Spring Artists' Gallery of Fine Art is now open at 135 McPhillips Avenue.
 - 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.

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OLYMPIC ART:

Finn Hughes gets into the Olympic spirit with a little face paint as he — and many others — participate in an Olympic torch party held Saturday in Centennial Park. The event coincided with the arrival of the Olympic torch in Ganges.

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Terralingua fundraiser all set to make community-to-community exchange

Cuban dance party helps bring group close to goal

BY LUISA MAFFI
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

A fun evening of hot Cuban rhythm and dance with the Jose Sanchez Cuban Party — plus enticing traditional Mexican food and a silent auction of about 50 items generously donated by local businesses and individuals — aims to make a unique community-to-community exchange a reality on Saturday, Nov. 7 at Fulford Hall.

Press material explains that Terralingua, an international non-profit group based on Salt Spring, has been working worldwide for nearly 15 years to help preserve and protect the diversity of life in both nature and culture. Since 2000, the organization has developed a partnership with the Rarámuri people, an indigenous community in northern Mexico. The Rarámuri have lived for many centuries in their ancestral lands in the Sierra Tarahumara of the State of Chihuahua. Their livelihoods and their way of life are now threatened by logging, mining, ranching and other development activities that have caused serious environmental degradation in the region

and social disruption in their communities. Soil depletion and loss of water resources are putting their food sources at risk, and younger people are leaving their communities in search of other ways to sustain their families. To make things worse, climate change is hitting their region hard. The elders are worried that all these changes will lead to the loss of Rarámuri culture, language and identity.

A Terralingua team has been working with the Rarámuri to support their efforts to recover the health of their landscape and the well-being of their people. At the Rarámuri's request, the initial focus of Terralingua's work was on bringing drinking water to their homes, creating tree nurseries and home gardens, and assessing their health and nutritional status. Now the Rarámuri have expressed a desire for assistance with realizing their dream of an alternative education curriculum centered on Rarámuri language and culture. They also wish to continue to build capacity to restore a thriving agriculture and a healthy landscape in their communities. A group of Rarámuri is eager to visit our island in the spring of 2010, to work with the Terralingua team on the educational curriculum and to learn more about

ecosystem health, permaculture, ecoforestry and other sustainable practices. This visit will also offer a unique opportunity for an intercultural exchange and mutual learning experience with the Salt Spring community.

Terralingua has been fundraising since November 2008 to make this visit possible. Thanks to the generosity of Salt Spring Islanders and of Terralingua members, the fundraising effort is about two thirds complete. Terralingua is deeply thankful to all those who have contributed so far, and particularly to the Ometepe-Gulf Islands Friendship Association group for its exceptionally generous donation. OGIFA members as well as a number of GISS students have also offered to be on hand to help with the upcoming fundraiser, which is expected to bring this fundraising effort to a close.

The Nov. 7 event starts at 8 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and people can come in early for a free salsa class.

The silent auction will feature items offered by Antonio Alonso, Salt Spring Soapworks, Blossom Botanicals, Alvaro Sanchez, Coco Loco, Andrea Sanchez Aguila, David Rapport and Luisa Maffi, Rainbow Trading, Nature in Form by Daniel Flores,

Dawne Fennell and Don Monteith, Salt Spring Adventure Co., Foxglove, Country Grocer and Fables Cottage, among others. The auction will also include a small selection of Rarámuri handcrafts.

Tickets, \$20, are for sale at Acoustic Planet Music and Salt Spring Books. They will also be

available at the door.

For more information, interested people can call 250-538-0939, or e-mail taguila@terralingua.org. People can also donate on Terralingua's website (www.terralingua.org), where they can find additional information about Terralingua and its work with the Rarámuri.


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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Youth gathering highlights peaceful hearts, creativity

Mayne and Pender children join Peace Works! event for first time

BY CHERIE GEAUVREAU
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Amidst all the busyness, stresses, conflicts and conundrums we islanders are subject to, there are often small miracles and synchronicities of joy unfolding behind the scenes that serve to lift the spirits and give future hope to those lucky enough to be there to participate.

Such an event occurred on Oct. 17 at the Pondome behind Salt Spring Centre of Yoga. It may seem like old news now that November is upon us, but it has taken some time for us at Peace Works! to absorb the meaning and beneficial effects of the annual Children and Youth Peace Assembly.

Attending were classes from Salt Spring Centre School, Fernwood, Fulford and Salt Spring elementaries, Global Awareness representatives from GISS, Raging "Peace Activists" Grannies and, for the first time, children from Mayne and Pender islands.

The circle opened with a warm welcome, a call for peace and an invitation to have a good time.

The Fernwood choir began with a song called Deep Peace asking for peace and understanding.

Oona McOuat led Salt Spring Centre School and the Fernwood choir in a co-performance of songs about love of nature and of each other.

Two classes came from Fulford. One brought a colour-

fully painted map of Salt Spring Island. Circling the island were all the things about Salt Spring that the children were grateful for, such as "natural," "amazing," "playful" and "friendly."

The other class performed a tender and moving rendition of The Rainbow Connection, from Kermit the Frog. By this time, there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

The Raging Grannies gave us three songs of conscious encouragement.

The class from Salt Spring Elementary spoke out their wishes for peace. No more pollution, no more wars, poignant wishes to get along better with sisters and brothers, wishes for the end of disease and poverty.

At this point we all reached up as far as we could to grab our own wishes for peace and all at once we planted those wishes deep in our hearts.

Now, when we say "I love you" to a friend or pat someone on the back or smile at a stranger, we are ending war and spreading peace.

Children are teaching us to start peace here at home. The three young women from GISS' Global Awareness group told us of their wonderful work raising money so that children in Africa can go to school, something we take for granted.

At last, for indeed the ferry was late, the children and adults from the outer islands arrived. Each child from Mayne had created a beautiful symbolic mandala to express their feelings about peace. Many oohs and ahs followed their course around the circle.

The children and adults from Pender sang, and we joined in Where Have All the Flowers

Gone?, because war is still a reality on Earth.

We closed with the Painted Peace Stick.

The stick is painted all the colours of all the flags of all the nations, regions, territories and paradise islands of the world and therefore symbolically represents everybody.

Each child from Mayne had created a beautiful symbolic mandala to express their feelings about peace.

Peace Works! asked everyone to stand up for peace and hold their breath while the facilitator tried to stand the stick up so that it stood on its own.

No luck. The floor was shaking, the facilitators' hands were shaking, others offered to help — and then the call went out.

Anyone have a piece of gum? Silence, then: "I do." And in less time than it takes to sign a peace treaty, the Peace Stick stood proudly on its own, proving that getting to peace needs cooperation and innovation. Everyone cheered and clapped their hands.

The buses arrived to return the student peacemakers to their schools.

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Patti Lamoureux will be joined by Ottawa native Geoff Horrocks on piano and voice for a fun and vibrant concert to raise funds for the Vancouver Island Fiddle Camp Bursary Fund.

It begins at 8 p.m. at Zav RT's straw bale house at 175 Kanaka Road (behind the high school), in Ganges. The suggested donation for tickets is \$15 to \$20.

People should e-mail zav@zavrt.com to reserve a seat, or leave a message at 250-538-1919.

Last-minute guests will be welcomed at the door, which opens at 7:30 p.m.

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LANTERN FEST: Kip, Raphael, Nayah and Budai Sprungman join the Tales from Beyond the Veil lantern parade as it winds through Ganges on Halloween.

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CONCERTS

Legend headlines folk show

Connie Kaldor back by popular demand

A legendary performer whose music reflects her early life on the Canadian prairies will appear on Salt Spring for the next installment of the folk club at Fulford Hall on Monday, Nov. 9.

For close to three decades, Connie Kaldor has entertained audiences with original songs that contain elements of gospel, rock, country and western, folk, bluegrass and adult contemporary. She's also recorded music for children, for which she has won Juno Awards in 1989, 2004 and 2005.

Born in Regina in 1953, Kaldor sang in the church choir every Sunday and grew up listening to Patsy Cline and the Beatles. She performed at the Regina Folk Festival as a teenager, but went on to study theatre in university. After four years performing with an avante garde theatre troupe in Toronto, she returned to music as her life's focus.

According to Kaldor's official website, in 1979 "she experienced an epiphany. She loved theatre but could live without it. She could not imagine living without making music."

Kaldor then "packed her suit-

case full of theatrical wisdom and independent spirit and set out to blaze a trail on the Canadian folk music scene.

"In a time when a female singer and songwriter was a rare bird indeed, Connie sang solo and played guitar and piano. She spoke directly to her audience, breaking down the wall that often separates spectator from performer with a seamless combination of musical skill and repartee," her website states.

Dressed in leather skirts and cowgirl boots, Kaldor was part of a wave of Canadian talent, along with Stan Rogers, Ferron, Heather Bishop, Valdy, Roy Forbes and Stringband, that was forging a distinctly Canadian sound.

Kaldor has toured India, China, Europe and the United States and has appeared at most major concert venues in Canada. She has shared the stage with artists including Shawn Colvin, Sylvia Tyson, the Chieftains, Daniel Lanois and Tracy Chapman.

With her theatrical training, Kaldor's stage performances are known as much for her engaging personality and keen sense of humour that emerges between songs as for her skilled musicianship.

Her dedicated fan base includes other folk musicians

and critics as well as music lovers everywhere.

"Connie's a great performer," Canadian folk music matriarch Sylvia Tyson (of the '60s with duo Ian & Sylvia) is quoted in Billboard Magazine. "She's had acting training, and she really puts drama into her performances. She also has a wicked sense of humour."

"She's tough and she's tender. She sings with love and with anger . . . indecently talented," says the Toronto Star.

The Boston Globe has called Kaldor a "masterful performer, wildly funny one moment, deeply personal the next."

Opening for Kaldor are local musicians KC Kelly and Sandy Proffitt. Proffitt's sultry vocals combine with Kelly's steel slide guitar for an authentic blues sound that consistently delights audiences.

Reviews of Kelly's 2009 release, Wild Care, have called him "a fabulous blues musician...a highlight and definitely a crowd favourite" and "a bluesman with a delta feel . . . a consummate songwriter as well as instrumentalist."

Doors open at 6:15 and the show starts at 7 p.m.

Kaldor was invited back to the Salt Spring Folk Club by popular audience demand following her previous shows here.

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WEST COAST CULTURE

Cougar Annie revisited

Music, story and slides at Lions Hall event

The legendary Cougar Annie will be brought to life on Sunday, Nov. 8 at Lions Hall as Katrina Kadoski brings her original songs, stories to the island.

As caretaker at Cougar Annie's Garden, in its spectacular setting of coastal rainforest in Clayoquot Sound, Kadoski has in many ways inhabited the persona of Cougar Annie since she arrived there two and a half years ago.

"She has been living on the land in a way similar to Annie, and has a personal connection to what it might have felt like to be a young woman, on the land, with all the work, in all kinds of weather," states press material. "Her show will provide a deeper sense of both the land and the pioneers who lived there."

The stories of Cougar Annie, who survived in the wilderness by her wily ways, having arrived on these forbidding shores almost 100 years ago, have been the subject of a huge repository of folklore. Kadoski has drawn upon many sources as she composed her more than 30 songs and narrative about this colourful character and her unconventional life.

Having won a Rotary Music youth vocalist scholarship at age 9, she has since become a skilled guitarist and songwriter, and has studied piano and banjo to accompany many years of vocal training in jazz, musical theatre, opera and more. Her voice has been described as powerful, sweet and unapologetic.

Her debut CD of orig-

inal songs, Whirlpools, was recorded in Calgary and released independently in 1998. She has since performed in Canada, the USA, Ireland and England.

Kadoski will be accompanied by Hugh Fisher on guitar and back-up vocals. Fisher's music career has spanned 35 years in which he has played in many bands from acoustic folk to big band swing jazz and worked with many creative artists on original music, playing New York's famed New Music Seminar in 1989 and CBC's Brave New

Waves with 3 O'Clock Train. Fisher released his debut CD of original songs — Civil Tongue — in 1999 and is working with Kadoski toward producing a new CD of their Cougar Annie tales and pioneer ballads in early 2010.

Cougar Annie's Garden is now owned by the charitable organization Boat Basin Foundation — www.boatbasin.org. The foundation works to maintain the heritage site where Ada Annie Rae-Arthur (Cougar Annie) eked out an existence for herself and her family, and steward the sur-

rounding 177 acres of remote west coast forest that has become the site of an educational retreat facility.

As well as drawing from her original songs on this topic, Kadoski will show a series of slides, both new and old, of the area, accompanied by narrative drawn from her considerable research on the area and Cougar Annie.

Doors for the Nov. 8 show open at 7 p.m. with the performance at 7:30.

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Talking with Patricia Reichert, Coordinator of Growing up Organic - a project of Island Natural Growers

WHY WAS THE ISLAND NATURAL GROWERS (ING) ORGANIZATION CREATED AND WHAT IS IT?

The ING is a group of farmers who come together to support each other in the interest of local food production. It's a diverse membership, consisting of farmers committed to organic practices and people interested in supporting local farmers. It started about twenty years ago by a small group of certified growers and has grown to about 65 members. We are a branch of the national organization, Canadian National Growers.

WHAT IS ING ACTIVELY DOING ON SALT SPRING NOW?

Growing Up Organic is a large project that arose from the National organization wanting to help communities develop a distribution structure and generate more interest in eating organic food. Our objective is to get more organic food into institutions - we're doing this already with the high school and Meadowbrook.

One of the key initiatives in our island's Area Farm Plan was to develop a food distribution system, storage facilities, value-added processing, and preserving. Many people don't realize how difficult it is to build a distribution system, not just here but Canada wide. Imported foods, on the other hand, have a huge, organized infrastructure at great cost to us and our environment.

Seedy Saturday is a very important annual event that emphasizes seed saving and exchange. People are coming to understand that the diversity of our seeds is being threatened by multinational companies controlling and patenting seed production.

Education/Outreach - workshops such as "Farm Food Safety" and "Breaking New Ground" are open to everyone throughout the year.

Tuesday Market in the Park - every week in the summer in the United Church park people can shop for local produce.

WHAT IS ING'S RELATIONSHIP WITH FARMERS AND RESTAURANTS?

We're trying to create a link between them, to make it easier and more efficient for them to connect. Both the farmers and the restaurant owners are busy so we want to create a central point where deliveries can happen at the same time. Whatever we set up has to be sustainable. Right now, we provide a list to the restaurants with what produce is available on Salt Spring, and, in turn, restaurants have access to fresh, high quality ingredients.

WHY SHOULD SALT SPRINGERS CARE ABOUT ING INITIATIVES?

Food security affects everyone. If we ask the questions: what is the quality of the food we eat? Do we have enough to provide for this community? What damage is entailed by importing food from all over the world? The answers are dismal. Salt Spring Island is not sustainable right now... but it has great possibilities because much of the land is currently not being farmed.

Our focal point in the community is addressing, educating, and taking action on these issues. We have some really good growers on this island, and they need moral and organizational support. People have high expectations of farmers and don't know what needs to be done to farm well. If the community places value on farming, then farmers have the hope and desire to increase their yields - which moves us toward sustainability.

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Steve Ward from Yoga Farm and Food Forest Farm holds a basket of beautiful eggplants at the Tuesday Market in the Park.

BRIGHT FARM: JUDY EAGLE'S ORGANIC PUMPKIN PIE

- 1 1/2 cups pumpkin, seeds removed, cubed, steamed, then skin removed and pulp mashed.
- 1 1/2 cups unsweetened soy milk
- 3 eggs, well beaten
- 1 1/2-2 tsps. vanilla
- 1/2 cup sugar, white or light brown - taste for sweetness
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp powdered ginger
- 1/2 tsp powdered cloves
- 1/4 tsp fresh grated nutmeg

Combine all ingredients in a blender at high speed & blend 3-4 minutes. Beating air into the ingredients will make the filling velvety and light like a custard. Pour filling into an unbaked pie shell (place pie dish on cookie sheet to avoid spills). Bake at 425 degrees for 15 minutes. Turn the oven down to 350 degrees for 45 min. to an hour longer or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Lightly cover the crust with foil if the crust is getting too dark. Cool on a wire rack.

PIE DOUGH

- 1 cup unbleached white flour (1/2 white, 1/2 pastry works well)
- tiny pinch of salt
- normal pinch or two of sugar (optional)
- 1/3 cup frozen, grated, unsalted butter
- 4-6 tbsp. ice water

Sift together flour, salt, & sugar. In a medium bowl, grate the butter and pour the sifted ingredients on top. Blend with a pastry cutter. Add 4-5 tbsp. of ice water and mix with a fork until the dough starts to come together. Add a little water to the flour and butter that is not mixed together at the bottom of the bowl and mix together with the rest of the dough. Pat into a disk shape. Wrap in plastic wrap and place in fridge for 15 minutes to 1/2 hour before rolling out.

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Innovative pianist showcases mix of styles from classical to jazz

Salt Spring treated to amazing Chris Jarrett concert

Saturday, Nov. 7 will bring a unique opportunity to see pianist and composer Chris Jarrett play an exclusive concert at All Saints By-the-Sea.

In a program named Hommage, Jarrett will present music written in honour of great composers like Scriabin, Byrd and Mozart, as well as other original compositions.

Press material for the event states that Jarrett's music does not specifically target either lovers of classical music or jazz. His listeners are the centre of his live performances and he wants to excite them, provoke thoughts in them and communicate with them.

Jarrett mixes all the styles between classical and jazz, revealing their contents through exciting contrast. He combines the love for forms of development with jazz energy.

Jarrett's music derives from an urge to communicate, with outcomes as diverse as his ideas. The spectrum of his expression is wide: wild, rhythmical, ironic, epic, melancholic, bizarre, mystical and jazzy. Since he started his career in Germany in 1985, he has signed operas, oratorios, ballet music, symphonic pieces, music for film and theater and numerous piano compositions. Today, one of his most appreciated projects is Battleship Potemkin, where he performs live a piano score he composed for Sergei Eisenstein's famous silent movie.

Jarrett has recorded nine CDs and has performed all over the world. In 2005 he created a piece written especially for performance during the world championship in soccer in Germany. Viertelfinale (semifinal) for 11 strings and conductor/referee consists of motifs translating a soccer game (and not without humour) into the language of contemporary music.

"His music absorbs moods, feelings, passions



Chris Jarrett in concert Saturday.

and catastrophes and sets them directly to sound and all this in breathtaking tempo. His technique is grandiose!" says Kolner Stadtanzeiger of Germany.

Tickets to the concert are available at Salt Spring Books. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, visit www.chrisjarrett.com or www.artesmusic.org.

DANCE

Community dance project proposes to heal local waters

First workshop set for Nov. 13

BY MAGGIE SCHUBART
AND CAFFYN KELLEY
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Imagine living on a planet that provides its inhabitants with an abundance of life-sustaining food and water furnishes the materials for shelter and displays the beauty of the universe to be enjoyed and investigated.

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Most Salt Springers are painfully aware that our lakes are threatened: unwanted chemicals are permeating our soils and leaching into our lakes. Engineers, politicians and concerned citizens have been working earnestly to find remedies for the problems but the outcome is uncertain. This is where art and culture come in to help raise awareness and arouse islanders' inner feelings of connectedness with our environment, making it a pleasure and a part of all of us to remedy and protect our soil and our waters.

Seonagh Odhiambo is a choreographer, professor of dance and, through her art, a skilled communicator. She is organizing a community dance project focused on healing the waters

of St. Mary Lake, with the cooperation of island groups such as the Gulf Islands School of Performing Arts program, the Lobby Dancers, Water Preservation Society, Land Trust Alliance, Waterbird Watch Collective and Islands Institute.

"I consider the creation of dance to be a 'contact zone,' which provides an opportunity for community building, research and education around issues," says Dr. Odhiambo.

"In this particular contact zone the community participants and I will explore stories about water. This will include research into the issue of contaminated water that affects Salt Spring Island, as well as various 'histories' — both personal and cultural — of water on the island. Histories derived from interviews and workshops with community participants are developed into movement through a process that brings together researchers and activists, dancers and non-dancers, young and old. Interested participants contribute to the creative process, learning to create movement that reflects meaning about the stories and themes. Often these processes lead the community to instigate further activism around an issue."

Local dancer Anna Haltrecht is taking a leading role in the project.

"When people can feel something on a visceral level, it has a major effect on their whole being," she said. "They then can have a whole new understanding of a challenging situ-

ation like the trouble St. Mary Lake is in. Their understanding then is not only coming from their intellect, from looking at graphs or reading reports. They experience something else, something without words, from watching dance, from performing dance, about healing the waters of St. Mary Lake."

Odhiambo is inspired by the work of Japanese researcher and best-selling author Dr. Masaru Emoto, whose work indicates that human thoughts directed at water can physically transform its structure.

Emoto finds that changes in water can be achieved through prayer, music, or by attaching written words to a container of water. So perhaps bringing artful attention and healing intent to St. Mary Lake can help to physically transform and heal the threatened water quality of this most important ecosystem.

Nov. 13 marks the date when Seonagh Odhiambo will be on Salt Spring with a movement development workshop for dancers and non-dancers. The project will evolve over the coming year, culminating with a grand presentation in June 2010.

Maggie Schubart and Caffyn Kelley are on the advisory council of the Islands Institute. The Islands Institute hosts an online space where people can explore the intersections of art, ecology and community, and gather thoughts, images and ideas for healing water. See www.islandsinstitute.com, or e-mail direc-

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PROFILE

Salt Spring man signing on for long-term assignment in Africa

The deepening road to Jamie Squier's overseas humanitarian work

BY PAT GOULD
 DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Jamie Squier led a privileged life as a schoolboy in Montreal in the 1950s: doting parents, summers at the family's lakeside home, private school education, all of which seemed an unlikely background for a future activist who later embraced a lifestyle very different from those early years.

That school, nonetheless, imbued lasting ideals in his impressionable young mind. He was taught early on that "he could participate; he could be socially responsible; he could make a difference."

Now 52, the self-described aging hippie (he says this with a grin) has the appearance and manner more of an academic than a placard-waving protester, yet both descriptions would be appropriate.

After finishing secondary school he attended Bishop's University in Lennoxville, majoring in



Jamie Squier, relaxing while on an MSF assignment.

economics. There he met his soon-to-be wife Jane, another "privileged," who was studying horticulture. They shared the same outlook — a fervent desire to make a difference, someplace where they could put their combined talents to work. Technical college followed Bishop's for courses in soil culture and hydroponic gardening. CUSO then provided the venue for their talents just one year after their marriage and birth of daughter Anna.

New Guinea was the assigned destination, not in the relatively

comfortable confines of Papua, but a remote mountain village where the spoken language was Pidgin English and where the word "primitive" took on a whole new meaning. Witchcraft and head-hunting were still practised, albeit the latter surreptitiously.

Jamie took over management of a fledgling coffee co-op. The beans, grown by the locals and hand picked were, he insists, the best in the world. Jane, meanwhile, addressed what she perceived as serious dietary shortcomings in the community. Each role met real needs, CUSO's mandate. Soon a small store was added to the co-op, providing tools, as well as sundry staples and foodstuffs such as protein-rich canned meats and fish — all at fair prices, which paid for storage facilities, transportation costs, etc. Profits were reinvested in the co-op.

Jamie rhapsodizes about their time in New Guinea. Anna thrived with playmates and the attention from the many grandmotherly village women. As for her parents, their work was demanding, if invariably rewarding. However, after two years and disturbing weight loss, they agreed it was time to return to Canada to regroup — this time to Calgary.

They settled into serious farming; growing vegetable crops, much of which they preserved. They raised hogs for meat and Angora goats

for wool, which Anna skilfully turned into wearing apparel. Jamie set to work to design and build a hydroponic garden, concentrating on lettuce, which soon became a viable business. They welcomed a second daughter, Julia, and two years later son Kipling joined the family.

In 1992 the family moved to Salt Spring Island, largely because of its temporal climate and farming opportunities. Participating in protests against logging of Texada Land Corporation on Salt Spring and Clayoquot Sound — hot-button issues — established their credentials as dedicated environmentalists. All these years later Jamie remains impassioned and eloquent on the subject of clear-cut logging and somewhat cynical about government responses. Political engagement, however — and perhaps regrettably — is not on his "to do" list.

The couple separated. (We leave it there, unquestioned.) Jamie speaks admiringly of his former wife and, though now divorced, they remain on friendly terms. Jane continued hydroponic lettuce gardening, an enterprise that flourishes on her Mansell Road property. Jamie bought a small lot on Long Harbour Road and began building a modest house for himself — confident in his carpentry smarts. It would, however, be a long while before it

could be said that the house was well and truly finished, due to a brief newspaper item about an upcoming Medicins sans Frontieres meeting in Vancouver.

The house tools were put aside. Over the next four years Jamie would spend time in nine different countries: Kashmir, Somalia, Niger, Chad, Congo, Sudan, Somalia, Kenya, with stays lasting from three to nine months. His administrative assignments — all related to logistics involved in establishing medical facilities — were varied: communications, transport, energy sources, water, sanitation.

Between assignments, he returned to Long Harbour Road and re-donned his carpenter's apron. Slowly the house neared finishing, but meanwhile was enough for his needs. He points out that what one would consider comfort necessities can change dramatically after months of living a third-world lifestyle. (I visited his house, briefly and was suitably impressed with the "less is more" edict.)

Four more years passed. By now the intrepid traveller was weary of the back and forth of short stays and was anxious to establish himself in a long-term project, doing his own thing. He spoke fondly of his time singing in a church choir during his Nairobi assignment with MSF. That church is still there and the choir would, he knows, welcome him back. And he recalled a B.C. acquaintance living in Kenya — now a man in his '80s — e-mailing about his work there and the immense satisfaction of being a listened-to, respected purveyor of advice. Jamie knows in Africa there is much need for everything, including advice.

As of this writing, the house rental is a done deal. Jamie knows where he's going, he knows what he's aiming to accomplish. He just doesn't know how long it will take.

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Community currency expert and author Thomas Greco will address these and other issues in a free community talk and book signing organized by the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation. The event is being held this Saturday, Nov. 7, 2 p.m. at Central Hall.

According to press material, Greco's latest book, *The End of Money and the Future of Civilization* (available at Salt Spring Books), demystifies money and banking systems.

It presents a new model for regional economic community development that will challenge assumptions about what money is and how we can take control of our collective economic future.

Greco is a community and monetary economist, educator and consultant.

A former tenured college teacher, he has for more than 30 years been studying and writing about ways to achieve greater harmony, equity and sustainability through business and economics.

As a recognized authority on monetary and financial innovation he has been invited to give presentations around the world.

Among other books and articles, he is also the author of *Money: Understanding and Creating Alternatives to Legal Tender* (2001), and *Money and Debt: A Solution to the Global Crisis* (1990).

He is also a featured speaker at the upcoming Economics of Peace Conference in Sonoma, CA on Nov. 18-23, along with Riane Eisler, David Korten, Vandana Shiva and others.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Salt Spring's Richard Murakami was named Citizen of the Year at the recent Chamber of Commerce awards.

The business of helping others

Murakami named Citizen of the Year

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Richard Murakami has a poem by Mother Theresa hanging on the wall of his Rainbow Road garage.

It speaks of hard work, modesty and dealing with adversity.

The words pretty much sum up Murakami's philosophy and character.

Perseverance helped him rebuild his life on the island after the federal government seized Japanese-Canadian owned assets during the Second World War.

Kindness and generosity have encouraged him to help other islanders overcome hardships of their own.

And success has helped him become a member of the island's business elite.

Of course, Murakami is way too modest to tell you any of that himself.

The panel of judges for this year's Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce Business Awards, however, aren't as predisposed to let the good deeds go unnoticed.

During a gala event at Salt Spring's Harbour House Hotel last month, the chamber awarded Murakami with the Citizen of the Year Award.

The distinguished prize is among nine awards provided

to island individuals and businesses in recognition of their contributions to various facets of island life.

The Citizen of the Year honour is given to the islander in recognition of his or her personal contributions on Salt Spring Island through volunteerism, building community spirit, advocacy and showing a continuing interest in the wellbeing of the island and its residents.

Fellow nominees for this year's award included such well-known islanders as Jeff Outerbridge, Bob Oudenaarden, Sue Mouat, Mafalda Hoogerdyk, Darin Craig, Harry Burton, Jim Spencer, Dorothy Cutting and George Sipos.

In an interview at his garage a few days after the awards ceremony, Murakami said he was shocked when he learned that he had received the award.

"Basically I just try to be as community minded as I can," he said. "I'm sure there's lots of other people who could've gotten it."

There's that modesty again. Winning this year's award is the latest event in what has been a fairly eventful couple of years for Murakami.

Earlier in 2009, he was on hand for the official opening of the Heiwa Peace Park, a Japanese-style garden across from ArtSpring.

During the summer, Muraka-

mi and his sister Rose were invited to meet the emperor and empress of Japan at Government House in Victoria.

All this has taken place as Murakami continues to recover from a serious respiratory illness following a workplace accident in the spring.

Perhaps the greatest contribution Murakami has made during the past few years was the donation of land that cleared the way for the island's first significant affordable housing project.

Murakami Gardens on Rainbow Road represents the positive things that can be accomplished when individuals and government officials put their minds to something.

For Richard and Rose, it just felt like the natural way to thank islanders who helped them get re-established on the island following the Second World War.

"Our goal was to provide a quality, safe place to live for families and for people who could contribute to the positive welfare of Salt Spring Island," he said.

Murakami Gardens is but one among a series of community initiatives that include sponsoring sports teams, donating funds to student sports and supporting school fundraising campaigns.

As for what lies ahead for Murakami now that he's received the Citizen of the Year Award, "It's business as usual," he said.

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CHAMBER AWARDS

Agricultural/Farm Business of the Year: **Foxglove Farm**



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Michael, left, and his son Aaron Ableman at the Saturday market in 2007.

Foxglove Farm topped a list of three nominees for this year's Agricultural/Farm Business of the Year Award.

The award is presented to a company that shows consistent quality and excellence in its service and product.

Fellow nominees were the Salt Spring Island Cheese Company and Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply on Atkins Road.

Judges deemed the newly revital-

ized Foxglove Farm on Mt. Maxwell Road played an integral role as a supplier to other local agricultural operations and demonstrates an environmentally friendly focus within its operations and procedures

The 120-acre heritage farm is owned and operated by Michael Ableman and his family. The farm offers seasonal classes that focus on organic agriculture and sustainable lifestyles.

Market Vendor of the Year: **Alvaro Sanchez**

Vendor of the year Alvaro Sanchez beat out a wide variety of eclectic Saturday marketeers to earn the inaugural Market Vendor of the Year Award.

During his acceptance speech, Sanchez called the artisans, craftspeople and farmers who make up the Saturday Market an integral reason for Salt Spring's popularity with visitors.

"It's what makes the island what it is," he said, urging the chamber to do more to promote island artists.

Judges determined that Sanchez' Unusual Jewellery topped the list of nominees due to the business' inspiration to other market vendors.

To qualify for the award, nominees must be present for at least 20 of the 30 market Saturdays over the course of a year, make, bake or grow a superior product, and promote the market's co-operative and collaborative nature.

Fellow nominees



Alvaro Sanchez of Unusual Jewellery.

were Bite Me Treats, Knitwits. The award is sponsored by Salt Spring Island Cheese.

Business of the Year



From left, David Griffiths of Mouat's, Mickey McLeod and Chamber of Commerce manager Donna Powell.

Business of the Year (8+ employees): **Salt Spring Coffee Company**

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Year Award is awarded to the island-based business that demonstrates sound business practices, leadership, involvement in the community and exceptional employee relations.

During his acceptance speech, owner Mickey McLeod said he is honoured to receive the award and recognition from fellow business owners on the island.

He said he intends to keep working to strengthen

the company's island roots.

The chamber's panel of judges determined that the Salt Spring Coffee Company's level of community involvement, excellent business practices, commitment to safety, above-par customer service relations and great all-around working environment helped it top the category's seven other nominees.

Fellow nominees included Auntie Pesto's Cafe, Salt Spring Air, Salt Spring Island Cheese Company, Salt Spring Inn, Slegg Lumber, Thrifty Foods and TJ Beans.

The business of the year award is sponsored by Mouat's Trading.

Business Ambassador of the Year - **Salt Spring Air**

It was a tough contest, but this year's Business Ambassador of the Year Award was given to Salt Spring Air.

During the ceremony, co-owner and pilot St. Clair McColl spoke eloquently of the island he calls home and the pleasure he has had serving travellers since he started Salt Spring Air in 2003.

Working on Salt Spring, he said, has offered him a one-of-a-kind opportunity to work with and live among a wide array of folks who "probably wouldn't fit in anywhere else."

Judges determined that the airline has managed to attract positive attention and interest to Salt Spring Island through its product and service.

The winning business must actively sell its product on and beyond Salt Spring, develop interest in the "Salt Spring" brand and promote potential opportunities and quality of life on the island.

The Salt Spring Coffee Company was also nominated for the award.

The Business Ambassador of the Year Award is sponsored by Salt Spring Air.



Salt Spring Air co-owners, from left, St. Clair McColl and Philip Reece.



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Mickey McLeod

Green Business of the Year: Salt Spring Coffee Company

The Green Business of the Year Award represents one of two awards for the Salt Spring Coffee Company.

On an island where many businesses and individuals pride themselves on a commitment to environmentally friendly practices, the Salt Spring Coffee Company impressed judges with its ability to set a new green standard for local businesses.

Award winners must show judges that they practise water and energy conservation techniques, practise recycling, reducing and reusing in their daily business and make an effort to reduce their carbon footprint.

Fellow award nominees were Salt Spring Air and the Salt Spring Refund Centre. The award is sponsored by Islands Savings Credit Union.



From left, Zoe Cullen-Lahay and her mom Clare Cullen.

New Business of the Year: Gecko Green Living

Co-owner Clare Cullen received the 2009 New Business of the Year Award for her efforts to provide Salt Springers with a wide selection of environmentally friendly products.

The award is presented to an island business that has been in operation for no more than three years.

The winning nominee was selected because of its initial growth and success within the first three years of operation, new employment opportunities and future growth potential, as well as the company's sound employee relations and customer service. Gecko Green Living topped an impressive list of nominees that included the Market Place Café, Del Vecchio Pasta Fresca, Café Talia, Salt Spring Inn, Flow Day Spa, Bruce's Kitchen and Salt Spring Catering by Kelly. The award is sponsored by Thrifty Foods.



John Quesnel

Small Business of the Year (under 8 employees): Salt Spring Island Metal Recycling

John Quesnel, the owner of Salt Spring Island Metal Recycling, was as surprised as anyone to learn that he had won this year's Small Business of the Year Award.

"This is amazing," he said during the Oct. 22 awards ceremony at the Harbour House Hotel. "I wasn't expecting anything like this."

The award is presented to a small business operating on the island for at least three years. The company must demonstrate a high level of community involvement and make an effort to purchase supplies locally.

Judges determined that Salt Spring Metal Recycling stood out in a list of criteria that included having the owner present at the workplace during day-to-day operations, excellent customer service and a commitment to safety.

Fellow nominees were Angel Cottage Studio (Julie's Pantry), Del Vecchio Pasta Fresca, Fables Cottage, Gulf Islands Vet Clinic, Jana's Bake Shop, Meron Moroz Bookeeping, Dr. Lorraine Machell and Monsoon Coast. The award is sponsored by Island Star Video and TJ Beans.

Building or Construction Trades of the Year: Joe Toutant Construction Ltd.



Joe Toutant with his award.

One of two new awards offered at this year's event, the Building and Construction Trades Award is the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce's attempt to acknowledge the building sector's importance to the island's economy.

The award is presented to a building or construction trade business, including contractors, sub-trades, excavators or landscapers, that is based on the island. The winner must practise business exclusively on Salt Spring.

This year's winner is Joe Toutant Construction Ltd. Judges look for companies and business owners who offer a service or product when volunteering for a community project, make an effort to buy the majority of their supplies locally, have a reputation for quality workmanship, are registered with WCB and provide career growth or apprenticeship opportunities to employees.

Also nominated were Salt Spring Interiors (Brian Little), Wayne Michener Plumbing, Tuxedo Painting and Wallcovering (Wayne Repp) and Rick Andrews Excavating.

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NATURAL PHENOMENON

Hiker and mushroom fan shares gigantic prize

Wild discovery ends up at Bruce's Kitchen

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

For some people, finding a basketball-sized fungus resembling a yellow brain would make a walk in the woods turn into a nightmare. For hiker and semi-amateur mycologist Linda Quiring, the recent discovery of *Sparassis radicata* was reason to celebrate.

Quiring is a devoted member of Salt Spring's Trail and Nature Club and has been hiking on the island for 30 years. Her late October find was only the second Western cauliflower mushroom she's seen in that time.

"We're in the woods constantly, so this is quite rare," Quiring said.

According to the website mushroomexpert.com, the Western cauliflower mushroom is typically found under conifers, especially pines and Douglas firs.

"The physical appearance of *Sparassis radicata* is pretty much unmistakable and it is one of only a few mushrooms that can be successfully identified with comparison photos," the write-up states.

At 18 inches long by 12 in ches high, the mushroom was not only unmistakable but too big for the Quirings to eat, although Linda's husband Bill fried up a small section when they got home.

The rest was donated to Bruce's Kitchen, a restaurant devoted to serving local fare and one that Quiring's been known to gift with over-sized produce in the past, including a cabbage as big as "a torso."

"We kind of love Bruce's Kitchen and we love Bruce. I think he's a real resource on Salt Spring," Quiring explained of her decision.



Bruce Wood holds Linda Quiring's find, which fills an entire plate.

"I really like his philosophy — you know the big truck isn't coming with asparagus from Argentina."

Bruce Wood, a chef and restaurant owner, reported he was "overwhelmed" by the gift.

"I thought it was quite wonderful and I was very flattered they brought it to us," Wood said.

He described the mushroom as having an earthy, fragrant and lovely taste.

Although its many folds take a lot of cleaning, Wood said "the fact that Linda thought of us is wonderful, and we're going to treat it with as much respect as we can."

Plans for the fungus are still in development, but Woods

will most likely feature it during his upcoming communal dinner on Friday night, perhaps in a barley risotto. He said barley has the advantage of being a Canadian grain that also makes a good accompaniment to local meats as well as the earthy wild mushroom.

Mushroom enthusiasts hoping to enliven their own meals with discoveries from the wild will likely have more luck in the coming weeks — Quiring said so far there hasn't been enough rain to produce a good crop.

She also warned amateurs to get educated on their sport, as several poisonous varieties exist locally.

A former member of one of the world's largest mycology organizations in California, Quiring has participated in a half-dozen walks with experts and typically cross references discoveries between several books.

She's even been known to take spore samples before making a positive identification and eating a tiny sample of her finds.

Alex Olchowecki, a qualified mycologist living on Salt Spring, agreed that becoming educated is a good idea for mushroom newbies. He recommends the South Vancouver Island Mycologist Society, a group he belongs to that leads a major foray every fall.

Olchowecki said that people who have grown up hunting mushrooms generally "know the good ones," but that information can change depending on location and culture.

One tip for this area and time of year is to avoid any pure white mushrooms, especially those with white spores.

As for the giant cauliflower mushrooms, Olchowecki said two were found during his group's recent outing near Lake Cowichan.

"They're considered quite a prize, but they're not rare."

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Sorting out recyclables

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 .Scott Harris

A: Due to the changing nature of what the depot accepts, the depot has been reluctant to publish a brochure or flyer of any kind. They do have a website they try to keep up-to-date www.saltspringcommunityservices.ca/recycling, but at times the website is not up-to-date.

With the help of the depot, the Driftwood has put together this list (right hand side of this page) of what is accepted at the Rainbow Road Recycling Depot.

Print it, clip it, stick it on your fridge and sort away. A downloadable PDF is on the blog at www.gulfislands.net/wordpress.

Just keep in mind that these categories may change over time, but at least you've got a list that's current, right now, to work with.

In other Salt Spring Recycling Depot news:

• To-go coffee cups are a go! The depot asks that paper coffee cups be placed in their tetra-paks bin and NOT in with paper or cardboard. This helps ensure paper coffee cups get recovered and recycled

Have a question related to life on the Gulf Islands? E-mail Amy at ageddes@gulfislands.net. See the blog at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com or www.gulfislands.net/wordpress



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when they arrive at METRO Waste Paper Recovery Inc. in Victoria.

Doug Stevens, plant manager at METRO, confirms that paper coffee cups that arrive from Salt Spring are, in fact, recycled. Even if they have a latex or plastic lining on the inside, they are still able to extract the paper part of the cup to recycle.

"Paper cups get pulped at a mill and the latex lining is skinned off the top and rest is recycled," he said in a telephone interview in October.

Stevens urges that people rinse out their cups so they are "100 per cent clean," otherwise the depot could end up with a rejected bin; enough dirty coffee cups in one bin and the depot gets slapped with a "contaminated" label that will force them to dispose of the entire bin as garbage.

The best solution of course, Stevens says, is to buy a reusable mug.

• The depot no longer accepts plastic grocery bags. However, most local retail outlets' grocery bags are biodegradable and could not be recycled anyway.

• Wine box protocol. Wine boxes with liners can be recycled at the depot. Keep the liner inside (it's necessary for the depot to get the refund) and place in the tetra-pak category, NOT in the cardboard category.

• CRD Recycling Hotline: 1-800-663-4425.

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Wisdom of Menopause workshop gives unique opportunity for women

Community Ed session led by Jamie Capranos

Nurturing one's well-being through menopause is the focus of a Community Education workshop being offered on Salt Spring on Wednesday, Nov. 14.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Community Gospel Chapel, homeopath and herbalist Jamie Capranos will lead The Wisdom of Menopause, where women can learn about a wide variety of natural options, particularly the use of herbs, diet and homeopathy.

"I will be encouraging women to think of menopause as a process during which she'll be creating the healthy body she needs

and desires for the rest of her life," said Capranos.

What a woman experiences during this period of her life depends upon a multitude of factors, from her heredity, her expectations, her cultural background to her self-esteem and her diet, she said.

Capranos' philosophy is that the path to optimal health exists by drawing on the best of western medical knowledge when needed, and then to apply the wealth of ancient herbal and homeopathic wisdom that can manage a vast scope of ailments and symptoms, and often prevent diseases from advancing.

Class participants will sample hormone balancing teas, learn

how to make an herbal infusion, learn about the most valuable homeopathic remedies to manage excessive bleeding, hot flashes and other uncomfortable symptoms, and walk away understanding the essentials of women and nutrition. To register for the course, contact Community Ed at 250-537-0037 or info@ssicommunityed.org. Course fee is \$45.

Registration forms can be picked up from Community Ed binders located at Salt Spring Books, the library, school board office, the Driftwood and the PARC office.

They can be dropped off at the school board office or mailed to Box 329, SSI, V8K 2V9.

In the dark about what can be recycled on SSI?



tin cans		Flattened foil, spray cans (except paint).
aluminum cans		The depot appreciates your donations of pop and beer cans – collected in plastic bags in front of the "tin can" bin.
scrap metal		No paint cans. Charge of 20¢/pound for scrap metal. No charge for non-ferrous metals.
glass bottles and jars		No window glass, no drinking glasses, no light bulbs, no ceramics, no mirrors.
glass beverage bottles		Wine, liquor, juice and milk bottles are collected in a separate bin next to the "glass bottles and jars" bin.
paper		Old newspapers and other paper such as office paper, magazines, junk mail, phone books – no Kleenex, no carbon paper, no multi-layered material, no tetra-paks, no milk cartons and no contents of bathroom waste containers.
cardboard		Flattened cereal boxes, paper bags, all cardboard except boxes coated with wax (these are usually produce boxes).
tetra-paks		Milk cartons, clean juice boxes, all gable-top cartons are collected in three categories: 1. juice, paper coffee cups 2. milk, soy, etc. and 3. broth, ice cream, etc.
plastic containers and lids		Plastic containers and lids: all plastics #s 1 –7. No Styrofoam or motor oil containers. CDs not accepted.
plastic drink containers		The depot thanks you for donating returnables. They get the full deposit, which is part of their operating budget. OK to leave lids on.
cell phones		The depot now accepts used cell phones and accessories.
electronics		Televisions, computers, printers, cables, keyboards and other computer related devices.
pesticides, poisons and flammable liquids		There are some restrictions. Check with staff.
batteries		Household, automotive and marine batteries.
car and light truck tires		No charge up to 16.5" (larger tires at a fee). No tires on rims accepted.
large appliances		\$25 drop-off charge per item.
corks		Separate corks from bottles etc. in the container provided.
wood shakes		Can be re-used or split into kindling.
paint		Leftover household paint in original cans, spray paint cans, and empty paint cans. Leave label on. If no label, must fill out form at depot. Please check with staff as we get penalized for non-program materials.
printer cartridges		Inject cartridges. Toner cartridges now accepted.
drywall		Banned from CRD and GVRD landfills. The depot charges 20¢ per pound to accept.

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NEWSBEAT

Salt Spring sisters in Tofino leg of run

TORCH RELAY
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after celebrations held on the Howe Sound Queen.

While no Gulf Islands residents participated in the Ganges part of the relay, two Salt Springers acted as torchbearers on Sunday in Tofino. They were sisters Kya Dalton, 16, and Bailey Dalton, 14, who were recognized by the Go Active program for their volunteer activities at Salt Spring's climbing wall facility.

Suzanne Reeves, spokesperson for the Olympic torch relay, said torchbearers were chosen through Coca-Cola and RBC Royal Bank contests, which made the "best effort to get folks from the region."

An interactive map of the torch relay is available at www.vancouver2010.com/ under "More 2010 information."



Professional golfer Dawn Coe-Jones takes the Olympic flame to the torchbearers after it arrived on Salt Spring via Harbour Air floatplane. PHOTO BY SUSAN LUNDY

BC Olympic Torch Relay By the Numbers

- 27 days
- 50 community celebrations
- 268 communities/places of interest
- 50 aboriginal communities
- 4,113,487 - provincial population
- 92 per cent of population within one hour's drive of the relay route
- 9,750 - total kilometres through the province
- 1,150 - total kilometres by torchbearers
- 2,100 - total kilometres by air
- 5,750 - total kilometres by land
- 750 - total kilometres by water
- 3,500 - total number of torchbearers involved in this leg of the relay

See related video footage at www.gulfslandsdriftwood.com



Red paint chucked at torchbearer as flame taken through Ganges

A female protester interrupted Darian Sport-Maxwell's leg of the torch relay on Saturday.

The woman threw red paint from a yogurt container at the torchbearer, but the paint splattered instead on a Vancouver Organizing Committee security guard who was running alongside the torchbearer.

Photographers and some spectators were also splashed with paint and paint tracks smeared the road at the intersection by Mouat's and Grace Point Square.

"As far as [this incident] goes, we don't have any charges pending yet," said Corp. Darren Lagan, spokesperson for the Vancouver Island RCMP on Tuesday.

Lagan said the individual was allegedly dressed like a witch, but a nearby eyewitness told the Driftwood the paint-thrower was not dressed up at all and was certainly not the same person photographed

holding an "Olympics=debt" sign in a witch's hat.

Lagan said while police don't typically reprimand protesters or demonstrators, the paint-throwing incident on Salt Spring could be considered an assault.

"When you throw something on someone, that's an assault," he said.

Salt Spring police are in the process of identifying the paint-thrower.

"We will need to discuss with that person what they were thinking."

A male protester laid across Fulford-Ganges Road by Harlan's Chocolates with a pillow in his shirt.

"No one is going to run over a pregnant man," he was overheard saying to spectators.

He obliged when a police officer asked him to get off the road.

Lagan said in the grand scheme of the relay, the Salt Spring protests were considered "minor."

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Newsbeat

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Path leading to governance study rejection outlined

BY GARTH HENDREN,
CHRISTINE TORGRIMSON
AND GEORGE EHRLING

As candidates in last year's local government election, all three of us pledged to initiate a review of governance on Salt Spring. We have consistently followed through on this commitment, but economic conditions and provincial decisions outside our control have made such a review impossible at this time.

On Nov. 17, 2008, newly elected CRD director Garth Hendren wrote to Minister Blair Lekstrom about his interest in a governance review on Salt Spring.

The two Islands Trust trustees, George Ehring and Christine Torgrimson, wrote to the minister on Dec. 4, 2008, outlining their concept of a broad review of governance. While Garth received a reply from the minister in February indicating a willingness to have a meeting in the new year, the trustees did not receive a reply from the minister until April 1, 2009.

That letter, from new minister Kevin Krueger, suggested that "As a first step . . . all three elected officials meet to discuss issues facing Salt Spring Island residents. I would like to work with all three of you and I would welcome a joint meeting once you have a consensus."

As recommended, the three of us began regular meetings very shortly after to plan a mutually agreeable governance review process.

These meetings were consistently productive and cooperative. We met eight times from late April through early September to design a constructive process that would involve broad community consultation and that would have allowed for a local referendum prior to the next local government elections in November 2011. We had that plan reviewed by three independent, off-island people experienced in governance and public consultation, and modified our plan in response to their recommendations.

Following the provincial election in May, yet another minister was appointed and was



Salt Spring's elected officials, from left, trustee Christine Torgrimson, CRD director Garth Hendren and trustee George Ehring learned last week from Ministry of Community and Rural Development staff that no funds are available for a governance review for the island.

reportedly unavailable until the fall. In September, with a plan in hand, we requested a meeting with the ministry to discuss our proposed process. We had all been told, unofficially, that the province was unlikely, given the economic downturn and provincial budget deficit, to have funding for a governance review — the restructure study in 2002 cost roughly \$100,000 — but we wanted to present our plan in any case and ask the ministry to support our moving forward with it.

We also decided that it would be inappropriate and perhaps counterproductive to communicate with the community about the plan before we had input and a definitive response from the ministry.

The requested meeting took place on Oct. 26, with two ministry staff. At that meeting, we were advised of several things. The

most important of those is that, because of extreme budget restrictions and ongoing financial commitments, the minister will not approve any new governance restructure studies until at least 2012 — after the next round of local government elections. (A local governance review must have the support of the Minister of Community and Rural Development in order to proceed and be a legally recognized process.)

We were also told that even if we received outside funding for the study, the ministry would not support it. Further, we were told that as far as the ministry is concerned, the 2002 restructure study was "recent," that the 70 per cent rejection of incorporation at that time was "a resounding no," and that since 2002, "nothing significant had changed" on the island that would convince the ministry that another review was appropriate.

At the meeting, the three of us agreed to write back to the ministry summarizing our understanding of their position, and ministry staff agreed to respond in writing, expressing their position. We also felt that until we had their position in writing, it was best not to communicate verbal comments. However, since reports of the outcome of the Oct. 26 meeting have already become public, we now feel that it is necessary to let the community know what has transpired.

The bottom line is that the ministry will not support a governance review in our current term of office.

Nevertheless, we will all continue to explore methods of improving local governance under the authority that is currently available to us. When we have the ministry's response in writing, we will publish that letter and consider next steps.

News briefs

Tryste book event

Salt Spring resident Val Haigh has published a sequel to her popular *Chasing the Dream* book and will be at Salt Spring Books on Saturday morning to sign copies.

Tryste and the Sea, the Last Two Voyages, describes adventures experienced while she and husband Ernest went sailing "in the good old days" when all navigation was celestial, and after their children had grown up.

As explained in a press release, "They could not resist 'just one more voyage'

aboard *Tryste* — well, two — a year's voyage to New Zealand and back in 1977, and their second circumnavigation in 1981 — this in spite of the fact that *Tryste* was now showing her age and that they would probably come to a bad end.

"On these voyages they found that they missed the family badly, but still there were the joys of *Tryste's* tan sails filling, of new friends made and countries visited, of the company of dolphins and albatrosses and of swimming off *Tryste* a thousand miles from luxuriating in lucent blue water."

Haigh will be at Salt Spring Books from 10:30 a.m. on Nov. 7.

Trust plans party

The Islands Trust's 35th anniversary will be celebrated on Salt Spring with a special event during the Islands Trust Council quarterly meeting in December.

The Wednesday, Dec. 9 event will showcase local foods from the islands with culinary creations prepared by island chefs. The evening will start with a gourmet dinner, followed by an island-themed dessert bar, then a live auction of unique island offerings hosted by raconteur extraordinaire Arthur Black.

Auction proceeds will be donated to assist island

conservancies in protecting fragile ecosystems on the Gulf Islands through the Islands Trust Fund's Opportunity Fund.

"We hope people will join us in celebrating our island communities, culture and environment while enjoying our fabulous local foods and gourmet cooking by our wonderful island chefs," said Trust Council chair Sheila Malcolmson.

The Dec. 9 dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. with tickets at \$35, including the desserts and live auction. Tickets for the dessert bar and live auction starting at 8 p.m. are \$12. All events are at the Gulf Islands Secondary School.

Advance tickets to the

limited seating event, available through ArtSpring, are on sale from Nov. 4 to 30.

Fire destroys school bus

A live-aboard school bus was completely destroyed in a Tuesday morning fire that broke out on a Thomas Road property.

Twenty members of the Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue Department were called to the scene at 8:18 a.m., only to discover the bus fully engulfed by fire.

Fire chief Tom Bremner said a person living in a nearby structure played a critical role in helping the bus' occupant escape the

structure.

"Another occupant [on the property] was aroused by the smell of the smoke, got up and went to the home and got him to get out," Bremner said.

The man was taken to Lady Minto Hospital and treated for burns. No further information about his condition was available.

Fire crews spent one hour and 45 minutes on the scene but were unable to salvage much from the site.

"Crews did a great job," Bremner said. "What was savable was saved."

Bremner said the cause of the blaze cannot be identified due to the severity and scope of the damage.



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NEWSBEAT

ISLAND GOVERNANCE

No money for incorporation study

Lack of funds stalls governance review hopes

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Springers must wait at least two years before funding of an incorporation study and subsequent referendum will even be considered.

Provincial government representatives told the island's locally elected officials last week that no funding is currently available for governance or incorporation studies.

Nothing short of a revolution will prompt a study before local elections in November 2011, according to Salt Spring's Capital Regional District director Garth Hendren.

"I don't know what else there is," he said on Monday, one week after provincial officials explained their decision in a private meeting with Hendren and Salt Spring trustees George Ehring and Christine Torgrimson in Victoria.

"We as a community have to continue demanding [a governance study] through whatever way we possibly can," Hendren added. "Obviously an election wasn't a big-enough stick as far as the rest of the world was concerned, so I don't know what other tools we've got to push forward."

Determining how to push forward is

further complicated by the province's unwillingness to sanction any independently commissioned governance study.

"We could follow every hoop and follow it through, but their bottom line is that they wouldn't support it and wouldn't accept the findings of it," Hendren said.

Hendren called the turn of events a "grave disappointment."

Last Thursday, Ministry of Community and Rural Development spokesperson Marc Black said funding for the ministry's governance structure program is "fully committed for this cycle."

Agreement from the island's locally elected CRD and Islands Trust officials would be needed before the ministry agreed to proceed with a study in the future, he added. Black said the estimated cost of the incorporation study done on Salt Spring before the June 2002 referendum was \$100,000.

Hendren said he is undecided as to whether he will seek a second term as Salt Spring's CRD director.

Trustee Torgrimson said she looks forward to working with Hendren on other important issues.

"We did what we committed to do — initiate a governance review process — and circumstances beyond our control prevented its completion," Torgrimson said. "Let's now accept the current economic reality, build on the strengths of our current governance system and focus on critical community needs."

Torgrimson said she intends to work on the creation of more affordable housing, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving food security and developing a collaborative Ganges Harbour management plan.

"This is a tremendously talented and energetic community," she said. "Let's stop criticizing and instead join hands to do some constructive work."

Hendren ran for the CRD position in the November 2008 election on a platform of getting an incorporation study for Salt Spring. During the campaign, Torgrimson and Ehring said they would support some kind of governance review.

Islanders for Self Government president Ken Marr expressed disappointment when he heard of the government's decision.

He said he prefers not to comment until ISG members have discussed the government's announcement at the pro-incorporation group's next meeting.

"We want to see what options exist," he said.

Torgrimson, Ehring and Hendren have penned a joint column on the process and outcome, published on Page A3 of this issue of the Driftwood.

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CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT

CRD director mulls septic monitoring plan

Island lacks phosphorus data, says Hendren

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Island's Capital Regional District director wants more data about phosphorus sources entering the island's drinking water lakes before implementing legislation targeting the maintenance and performance of septic systems.

"We don't really have any hard information about it in relation to our water sources. I mean you can find stuff in terms of the scientific literature, but we don't know what happens in St. Mary Lake, we don't know what happens in

Cusheon Lake," said Garth Hendren. "We don't know how much [phosphorus] goes in."

Hendren wants more information in the run-up to the CRD's plans to develop legislation intended to promote cleaner, safer and more modern septic-system technology.

The regional director's statement comes in spite of last month's highly anticipated release of the St. Mary Lake Watershed Management Plan.

The plan's authors identified septic tanks around the lake as the source of approximately 29 per cent of all phosphorus entering St. Mary Lake.

Phosphorus leachate from septic tanks around the lake contributes to the occurrence of potentially toxic algal blooms.

The plan identifies several objectives needed to preserve the long-term quality of the island's main source of drinking water.

Included among these is the need to reduce inputs of phosphorus from domestic sewage disposal systems.

Soon after he was elected CRD director in November 2008, Hendren opted Salt Spring out of a proposed CRD-wide septic monitoring program that would have covered tanks and fields in sensitive watershed areas.

"The legislation was punitive as opposed to supportive or would direct people to improve the management of their septic material," he said.

"That we do need to regulate it is sort of a given, it's just how we are going to do it and how

we are going to support it."

Hendren said new legislation, anticipated by the spring of 2010, will cover septic tanks and fields across the entire island.

"It will be effective and it will do things like encourage people to use the latest technology, because the better the technology the less likely of regular inspection unless there's a malfunction," he said.

"If we can make sure to improve the quality of water that we are putting into wherever, it will be a benefit to everybody."

Any new legislation, Hendren added, would "be effective and encourage us, as owners of fields, to improve the quality of our field and to regularly inspect it."

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M-F Trip operates Monday to Friday only.
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NEWSBEAT

PATHWAYS

Walkways celebrated with balloons



Aubrey Watkins cleans off the new walkway on Blain Road.

Blain and Crofton roads ready for safe travel

Meeting residents of Braehaven, Heritage Place, Greenwoods and the hospital has been part of the fun for Partners Creating Pathways members lately.

As main users of PCP's two new pedestrian walkways, they were in a celebrating mood when the paving and line marking was completed on Blain and Crofton roads last Tuesday.

According to Jean Gelwicks of PCP, the group brought balloons to celebrate after one Heritage Place resident said about the path, "I am so happy I want to carry a balloon on my walker."

Gelwicks said the two pedestrian walkways have been needed for a long time.

"Now pedestrians — a number of whom need the assistance of canes and walkers — and motorized wheelchairs have a safe path set aside just for their use that will make their trips a whole lot safer.

"The hospital receptionists are

overjoyed, as they saw daily how dangerous their end of Crofton was for pedestrians."

She also said PCP was thrilled with the work of Capital City Paving, which subcontracted some of the work to local business, and to Scho's Line Painting from Victoria.

PCP is a partnership between Island Pathways, the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club, the island's transportation commission and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Gelwicks thanked the project's many donors, including the B.C. government, the CRD director's grants-in-aid budget, PARC, Salt Spring Island Foundation, BC Transmission Corporation, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92, TD Friends of the Environment Fund, Van City, Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Salt Spring Lions Club and the Salt Spring Transportation Commission.

There is still a bit of work to do, said Gelwicks.

She invites anyone who would like to help at the next work party or to join the PCP committee to call her at 250-537-4859.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY TALK

Speaker: it's time to bring soldiers home from Afghanistan

Remembrance Day is once again drawing people's attention to how much gratitude they should show to Canadian Armed Forces personnel fighting on their behalf in Afghanistan.

"Since 2002, 133 Canadian soldiers have been killed in Afghanistan," states a press release about a Nov. 11 event. "Hundreds more have suffered permanent and disabling injuries. Often these injuries are

emotional and leave them unable to work or have normal family relationships."

Community members are invited to Lions Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 4 p.m. to hear Salt Spring resident Michael Byers explain why he believes the mission has failed — and why it's time to bring our soldiers home.

"Come and join in the discussion and stay for the NDP-sponsored potluck din-

ner following the talk."

Byers holds the Canada Research Chair in Global Politics and International Law at the University of British Columbia. He is the best-selling author of War Law (2005), Intent for a Nation (2007) and Who Owns the Arctic? (2009).

Byers, his wife Catherine and their two young sons are recently established residents of Salt Spring.

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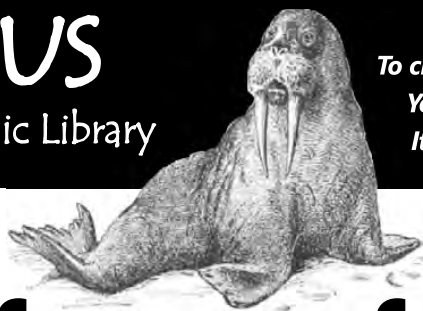
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Are you in favour of accepting a federal/provincial grant of \$4.55 million?

The referendum ballot wording:

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(a) Bylaw No. 3613, "Salt Spring Island Public Library 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?

The Referendum must pass in order to secure the grant.

Are you in favour of accepting a federal/provincial grant of \$4.55 million?

If so, vote **yes**.

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NEWSBEAT

H1N1

Hospital, school district: ready, set, waiting

It's been an education in planning

BY SUSAN LUNDY
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

On a recent visit to Salt Spring Elementary School, local schools superintendent Jeff Hopkins watched young children carefully sneezing into the crooks of their arms and chuckled quietly at "all the little girls, telling all the little boys to 'go wash their hands.'"

If nothing else, Hopkins says, preparing for the flu season this year has "been an educational experience" — both for the district and the students.

"The kids have been great — we're showing them 'here's how to sneeze' and then telling them why. They love that; they are so interested in it."

And whether or not the much-discussed swine flu floods Salt Spring with ill people, those in charge of preparations say they are ready for it.

"I think Lady Minto should be able to handle whatever comes our way," says OR supervisor Dona MacKie, the person in charge of swine flu planning at the hospital. "And if not, we will have to reach out to VIHA [Vancouver Island Health Authority] for help."

Gulf Islands School District 64 is similarly poised: it has developed a detailed "pandemic response plan" (available at www.sd64.bc.ca), is keeping close tabs on all school absences and maintaining regular communication among Gulf Islands schools, as well as between neighbouring districts.

But ultimately, at this point, with school absenteeism actually lower than normal, it is business as usual with just a few visible changes.

"We are using more soap than ever," Hopkins says. The district installed hand sanitizers a few years ago in areas such as computer labs that are not located close to washrooms with soap and water. But now hand sanitizers are being placed on school buses as well.

Another change involves absent students. Parents keeping children home from school due to illness must describe symptoms to the district. If they don't, their school will contact them.

"People have been great about being specific," Hopkins says, adding that the small nature of island schools allows for a lot of "anecdotal information" that larger schools don't have.

"We are lucky here that we can look at things on an individual level."

Should H1N1 flu virus actually hit the



PHOTO BY SUSAN LUNDY

Dona MacKie demonstrates use of a portable respirator called an ambu bag.

schools, Hopkins says, the district is ready. About eight students district-wide, as well as a pregnant staff member, have been identified as "high risk." These students are suffering from serious respiratory illnesses to immune deficiencies or recent cancer treatment.

Any decision to close a school does not belong to the district alone; it would be made in conjunction with the medical health officer based on absentee levels or "if they know something we don't know," says Hopkins.

Should the flu circulate through the teaching staff, he adds, the district is in the healthy position of having administrators who can and will step into the classroom, as well as access to numerous teachers on call.

The only staffing area identified as problematic is bus drivers. The district would not be able to replace ill drivers and would have to make alternate transportation plans.

Similarly, at Lady Minto Hospital, swine flu pandemic planning is well in place, and so far "business" has been higher than usual, but not overwhelming.

"We are definitely seeing more people coming in than normal," says MacKie, but

"We do not have the capacity to care for people with acute complicated symptoms."

DONA MACKIE
Lady Minto OR supervisor

she believes this is due more to the high visibility and concern surrounding H1N1 than an actual increase in the severity of flu symptoms.

"The concern is that it's bigger and the fact people in peak condition are being struck down," she said last Thursday. "We are seeing one or two people a day with flu-like illness. They are feeling awful and are concerned."

As of Tuesday, "a few patients" (specific numbers were not available) had been admitted with "suspected H1N1 as part of their diagnosis."

The area at Lady Minto Hospital normally set aside for OR recovery has now become "H1N1 central," allowing sick people to be "cohorted" from the front entrance to an

area separate from the rest of the hospital.

Those presenting themselves at the admitting area with flu-like symptoms are given a mask and asked to follow the signs to the ER overflow area and wait until an emergency nurse can see them.

They are triaged in order of priority based on symptoms like any other emergency patient.

Acute swine flu symptoms usually involve severe respiratory distress. Should this occur with a patient at Lady Minto, MacKie says, steps will be taken to aid his/her symptoms. However, the patient would have to be intubated and airlifted off-island to a larger facility.

"We do not have the capacity to care for people with acute complicated symptoms." The hospital has one ventilator in the OR overflow area and two in the operating room.

However, the OR equipment can only be operated by the island's two anesthetists.

The hospital does have hand-held, portable respirators called ambu bags, which could be used in ambulances when a patient is transported off-island.

MacKie says ambulance paramedics are not qualified to handle intubated patients and anyone hooked up to a ventilator would have to be air-lifted to a bigger centre.

Lady Minto also does not have ICU (intensive care unit)-trained nurses and is chronically short of nurses at all levels of training.

"If we started losing staff to H1N1, we would be 'up the creek,'" MacKie says, adding that the hospital would have to appeal for help from agency nurses, retired staff and casuals.

Somewhat alarming, she adds, is the fact that Salt Spring health care workers had not yet been vaccinated as of Tuesday. However, they are scheduled for inoculation sometime this week.

Islanders wondering whether or not they should go to the hospital with flu-like symptoms are advised to call the provincial health line at 8-1-1 or their local doctor's office.

In an effort to keep people at home, MacKie says, doctors have been approved for phone consultations.

"The potential [for swine flu illness here] is huge . . . but we just don't know. It will be interesting to see the numbers when it's all over."

In the meantime, people everywhere are benefiting from the "learning potential" of the swine flu frenzy, discovering, like students in the schools, how to wash their hands and avoid spreading germs.

"It's all been very educational," says Hopkins.

VACCINATION PROGRAM

Older population puts Salt Spring lower on vaccine list

VIHA doling out 1,500 doses per day region-wide

BY SUSAN LUNDY AND SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Most Salt Spring residents have another few weeks to debate the pros and cons of swine flu vaccinations.

Islanders unwilling to travel off-island to a mass vaccination clinic, or who do not qualify for a vaccination from their family doctor, will have to wait until Nov. 19 to get their shots.

The island's first mass vaccination clinic will be open to everyone who wants to get the H1N1 vaccine. Subsequent island clinics will be held on Nov. 24 and Dec. 10.

Clinics are set to run in three island schools, including the gymnasiums at Fernwood and Fulford elementary schools and in the high school's multi-purpose room.

Gulf Islands School District superintendent of schools Jeff Hopkins said the district has already received phone calls from a few angry parents, suggesting the schools should not be supporting the H1N1 vaccination program.

But he supports use of the schools as "public buildings" capable of "keeping people out of the rain while they are waiting."

"But I also understand there are lots of different points of view about vaccinations."

On Salt Spring, which is well-known for its aversion to inoculation programs, it remains to be seen how many people will line up for H1N1 shots.

"We have no idea what the uptake will be — maybe no one will show up," Hopkins says.

But Dr. Shane Barclay, chief of staff at Lady Minto Hospital, hopes that isn't the case.

"I was initially sketchy on the vaccine," he says, "but now I think it is good, and most people who get it will develop an immunity to the virus."

He says it is important to slow down the spread of the virus to keep it from devastating at-risk parts of the world where populations do not have access to clean water, good nutrition and advanced health care.

"The vaccine is not some off-the-wall conspiracy that some people would have it," he says.

Hopkins says children under the age of 14 must attend a vaccination clinic with their parents if they wish to be inoculated against H1N1.

Therefore, these students will have to be taken out of school.

He says students aged 14 or older can "consent for their own health decisions" and will be able to get the vaccination without their parents' consent.

High school students will have easy access to the clinic running at Gulf Islands Secondary School.

For islanders wondering why Salt Spring's clinics are scheduled so much later than clinics in other areas — such as Chemainus, Duncan and Victoria — Sandra Herbison, manager of child, youth and family community health for VIHA, says it comes down to a matter of "optimizing resources."

"We just can't be everywhere at one time," she says.

Salt Spring's relatively higher number of senior citizens, she adds, means the island has a lower proportion of people at risk of contracting the H1N1 virus relative to other communities.

H1N1 vaccination clinics held on North Pender and Saturna islands last week, she says, were small enough to incorporate with those islands' already scheduled seasonal influenza clinics.

Any islander who falls under VIHA's high-priority criteria should contact their physician to determine if they are eligible for a vaccine.

Herbison says nine physicians on Salt Spring and the outer Gulf Islands have each received 60 doses of the vaccine to administer according to need at their discretion.

VIHA has administered an average of 1,500 vaccines per day since the first mass vaccination clinics opened on Oct. 26.

According to Herbison, that's well below the health authority's estimated capacity of 2,500.

"We are doing our best to make this vaccine accessible to the people who need it most," she says, adding that the health authority currently has enough vaccines on hand to supply clinics scheduled over the next two weeks.

Herbison did not know how many cases of H1N1 have been diagnosed in the health authority's jurisdiction or on Salt Spring.

NEWSBEAT

FUNDRAISER

Island gears up for mammoth book sale

Quality and quantity will stun book lovers

For the third annual Community Education fundraising book sale, the operative word is "giant."

This year that word is front-and-centre in the event's title, with year-round book collecting having amassed an incredible inventory for sale on Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 14-15.

"It's an understatement to say we've been impressed and overwhelmed by people's

generosity when it comes to donating books for the sale," said Community Ed chair Lynne Johnson.

Books were collected at two special drop-off days at Country Grocer, for several months in handmade wooden boxes set up at Salt Spring's three financial institutions and from individuals who knew the sale was coming up.

With sorting and culling of those books — more than 400 large boxes at last count — occurring in advance of the sale, the quality and organization of the Nov. 14-15 event

will be first-rate, assures Johnson.

It's also moved to a larger venue at the Farmers Institute on Rainbow Road, with hours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

Islanders who still have books to donate can bring them to the site during the two days before the sale (Nov. 12-13), also from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Only books in good condition should be offered, since Community Ed must dispose of books it cannot sell.

Magazines, DVDs, videos, old textbooks, or Reader's

Digest publications are not accepted.

Quality of the books on hand is so high that many would make excellent Christmas gifts, as will the contents of a silent auction table.

Shoppers are encouraged to bring their own bags or boxes.

Michelle Kay, the event's volunteer coordinator, could use some helpers for moving the boxes on either Nov. 11 or 12, and to work on the Nov. 14-15 sale days.

Call her at 250-537-0809 or e-mail info@saltspring-accommodations.com.

Wading through the facts and fiction of swine flu

H1N1

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Shane Barclay. "But I can guarantee I have confirmed cases [of H1N1] in my practice."

Having seen swine flu in full swing earlier this month in the North West Territories — where he is medical director for the Fort Simpson area — Barclay knows what is coming.

"They were hit first. We are behind, but we will catch up."

Up north he was seeing four to five flu victims a day out of a population about one-tenth the size of Salt Spring's. Here, he's currently treating similar numbers, most of whom are put on Tamiflu antiviral medication and "feel yucky for a few days, but get better."

Most businesses on Salt Spring are reporting nothing outside of normal absenteeism — so far it appears to be a typical flu season, which traditionally starts in late September and peaks sometime from November through January.

"The numbers [of flu patients] should start increasing," says Lady Minto OR supervisor

Dona MacKie, who has been put in charge of swine flu planning.

"Most people who get H1N1 will have a fever and a cold and terrible muscle pain. They will stay in bed for a few days and get better," she says. "Most will be fine, but it is the unknown that is concerning."

And it is the unknown that has everyone talking, planning and taking more precautions than usual.

Sales of hand sanitizer has soared at Pharmasave stores locally and across Canada, sparking a national shortage of the product used to make it.

Island parents keeping children home from school must report symptoms to school offices. Anyone arriving at Lady Minto with a cough is handed a mask, and people are learning to sneeze into their arms rather than risk spreading germs on their hands.

The media is showing everything from people panicking in vaccination line-ups to polls that indicate only half the population plans to be inoculated.

Trying to wade through all the con-

"This is not the plague to end the world. Yes, this is a flu and you will feel very unwell.

But it is just a flu."

DR. SHANE BARCLAY
Chief of staff, LMH

flicting information is, again, like looking at that offshore storm that could strike with full force or peter out to nothing.

Should it blindside Salt Spring with its full potential, the effects could be devastating: the hospital is not equipped or staffed to handle severe respiratory symptoms associated with acute cases of swine flu and the difficulty of getting off-island amid a full-blown pandemic would be mammoth.

Some reports are alarming — a U.S. Centre for Disease Control release indicates flu-related pediatric deaths

rates rose 20 per cent last week — while other reports, like one from the Globe and Mail, states, "so far, H1N1 is not proving more deadly than run-of-the-mill flu."

"I think there has been over-coverage," says Barclay. "This is not the plague to end the world. Yes, this is a flu and you will feel very unwell. But it is just a flu."

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada website 101 people had died of swine flu in Canada as of Tuesday, Nov. 3. Fourteen of those deaths occurred in B.C.

Although some people are making comparisons between the current situation and the Spanish flu pandemic of 1918-20, Barclay says that is a tricky game to play.

The Spanish flu — also a subtype of H1N1 — infected one third of the world's population and killed more than 50 million people. Like today's pandemic, a high proportion of Spanish flu victims were healthy young adults, and not the elderly or health-compromised people usually associated with flu mortality.

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EDITORIAL

Getting the 'jab' done

The problem isn't so much that someone has to go last, but rather that the "someone" is us.

According to the Vancouver Island Health Authority's latest flu vaccination schedule, Salt Springers will have to wait until Nov. 19 before the first of three island vaccination clinics takes place at the Fernwood Elementary School.

And we're not just last in line, we're last by a long shot.

By the time this paper hits newsstands on Wednesday, 32 of 36 communities across VIHA's jurisdiction will have each hosted at least one day of vaccination clinics.

By the end of the week, only Gabriola and Salt Spring residents will not have had the opportunity to get jabbed at clinics on their respective islands.

From that point, it's still almost a two-week wait.

The official VIHA line is that a higher proportion of people over the age of 65 on Salt Spring means there are fewer people here who are susceptible to contracting H1N1.

THE ISSUE:
H1N1 vaccine

WE SAY:
It's not easy being last

For the many Salt Spring residents who will undoubtedly choose to avoid the vaccine altogether, the timing of flu clinics is moot.

For islanders who are among the estimated 51 per cent of Canadians who intend to get vaccinated, on the other hand, the delay opens the door to yet more anxiety. For them, it's another two weeks of compulsive hand washing, frantic sterilization and fear of public gatherings.

VIHA's struggle to optimize the resources needed to hold an estimated 220 clinics between Oct. 26 and Dec. 31 is a monumental task. The job's difficulty is compounded by reports of vaccine shortages, lineups and a rising number of H1N1 cases.

VIHA reps ensure us that, in time, everyone who wants and needs a vaccine will have a chance to get one. It's just a matter of waiting our turn.

Unfortunately, people wanting the good old seasonal influenza shot will also have to wait an extra couple of weeks because their clinics (originally set for Oct. 26) were delayed to coincide with the H1N1 dates.

According to the Public Health Agency of Canada, between 2,000 and 8,000 people die from seasonal influenza every year. The vast majority of those people are more than 65 years of age.

Unlike H1N1, it may not be a pandemic but it seems a far greater cause for concern — especially given our island's demographics.



Current library building: RIP

BY ELMA RUBRIGHT

Our library is partly housed in a building that was originally a residence and boat shed, and at one time claimed the dubious distinction of being the only library in B.C. with a bathtub!

As the population grew over the years, the building was expanded, repaired and adapted to accommodate increased activity. By 2007, we were the ninth busiest library in B.C. and had obviously outgrown our space. It took some imaginative rearranging to make things continue to work. An extra shelf was added on top of the stacks and, when that wasn't enough, new stacks were squeezed in.

A portion of the basement was remodeled to become the children's section. Magazines were moved into the vacated children's area, and the magazine area, in turn, became home to books on tape and CDs. The non-fiction section was culled and consolidated to free up some space for the fiction and mystery sections.

It has been rob Peter to pay Paul over and over again, until now we have the Salt Spring Archives in a back corner of the basement with no climate control; the board room has been revamped to house the teen section, which means we have no meeting space, large or small.

The bindery has become a multi-purpose room, home to the cataloguers in one corner, inter-library loan (ILL) in another, our computer techies in a third corner, with the fourth corner now the bindery.

The bindery room is hot and crowded, and it has only one window. It does have a long table down the centre, which provides some extra work space, but different groups must share that space. The inter-library loan team can't use the table to package up books while the bindery volunteers are re-binding

VIEWPOINT

books, and the cataloguers can't stack books on the table when ILL is preparing their mail-outs.

The library board members now have no place to meet unless they schedule meetings during school hours when they can use the teen section. Ditto for the book-buying committees and others who need a meeting room (writer's groups, second language practice, etc.).

It's the same thing upstairs. We now have an office for our librarians, but they must share it between themselves and with the bookkeeper.

The computer section has been expanded which meant juggling the reference section. The staff room is also a storage area, cloakroom, mail-room and workroom for individuals.

Two cannot work together in that room; it isn't large enough. Reading tables have been tucked into remote spots and their use often blocks access to the shelves

Our desk training is done on the job, which means that space for two, check-in and check-out, now has three people milling about, stepping on each other's toes and tripping over the backpacks of patrons.

Fortunately, the volunteers are a sociable bunch and somehow we make it work.

However, there is just so much juggling and fixing that can be done, and we have done all that and then some.

We need a new building with space for current activities, for future expansion of the collection and for new programs. We can have such a library if a majority of island residents vote yes on Dec. 5. Can we count on you?

The writer is a Salt Spring library volunteer.

It has been rob

Peter to pay Paul

over and over

again....

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

Are you disappointed in the governance study decision?

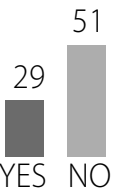
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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Will you attend any Olympic torch events?



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:
"Let's stop criticizing and instead join hands to do some constructive work."

TRUSTEE CHRISTINE TORGRIMSON, ON GOVERNANCE

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: How do you feel the government is handling the H1N1 vaccination process?

JESSE HOLLINS

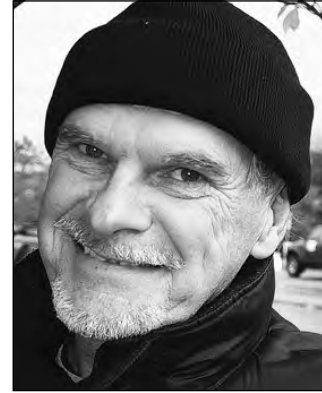
I think we are all misinformed about what this is. It's a pandemic to create money for the pharmaceutical companies.


ILLE KAGLIK

Badly. My husband has asthma and there's no vaccine available for him yet. There should be more screening so people who need it most get it first.


MARK TRUEMAN

It's okay. It's not the government's fault that the company [that makes the vaccines] is late in delivering the goods.


DENNIS RANGER

I think they are blowing it out of proportion. It's easier to control people when they are afraid.


MURRAY SHOOLBRAID

It's trying its best to make us think it is doing a good job, but I'm not too sure what it's doing.

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.**

Voting yes this time

The problems of our present library have been listed many times and, as an occasional shelver, I can verify some of the books are shelved so tightly I sometimes wonder how the words are not squeezed right off the pages.

The library board has acted properly in accepting the decision of the majority expressed in the referendum as well as in the official community plan and its diligence and skill has brought us close to success. What is important now is the library board needs our help. The democratic system needs to be made to work and the minority accept the decision of the majority.

Passing the next library referendum will bring over \$4.5 million into our local economy at a small cost to

each taxpayer and the library will be where a majority of the islanders voted to have it. If the referendum fails, the economic position of islanders is not enhanced and there is no new library in the near future.

I voted no on the first referendum but I will certainly vote yes on the second with the profound hope that this time, at least, I will not be in the minority!

A. JEAN ELDER,
SALT SPRING

Best deal in town

As a published author and someone who has worked in numerous libraries I have a keen interest in the future of the Salt Spring library.

Education doesn't just happen in school, it happens throughout our lives at the library. Reading informs us about the world outside our own experience and keeps us

from having to learn everything from scratch. Walking a mile in someone else's shoes is what we do when we pick up a book. From making a will to fixing the kitchen tap, from the practical to the sublime, everything we need to know about the world is in a book.

A library is a basic service, a necessity in any community. The children of Salt Spring need and deserve the very best facility we can provide. And how wonderful to have \$4.55 million in government funding put back into our island. I've estimated that my tax share will cost a little less than two hardcover books per year. As someone who borrows many more items than this a week, it's the best deal in town.

I hope you vote "yes" in the library referendum on Dec. 5.

PHYLLIS SMALLMAN,
SALT SPRING

Same fiddle tune sours

I see that friend of libraries, Michael Friedman, is back at it. Having done his best to torpedo the 1999 library funding referendum, he's still sawing on the same fiddle. My volunteer library job on Monday afternoon put me in mind of him.

I was given a pencil and paper and asked to count all the people who came through the door (the first day of a weeklong survey for the Provincial Library Service). As the afternoon wore on I was reminded of the other guy who, some years ago, objected on two grounds to ArtSpring receiving any government money. Firstly, he said, nobody ever uses the place; secondly whenever he went for a ticket they were all sold out!

As more than 150 folks of all ages came through that door

in three hours time (about 350 all day), I wished that Mr. Friedman could have been there. That's well over 2,000 customers a week, bringing back bags and armloads of books and videos and CDs, coming to use the computers and the reference materials — they can't all be wrong, can they? This Monday bunch appeared happy and content to me. They seemed not only to be enjoying this "tired," "outdated," "deficient" and "unprofessional" facility and its collections but actually benefitting therefrom and coming back for more.

I don't know where Mr. Friedman is coming from or where he got his fiddle and bow, but his "music" is badly out of tune. He comes forth every 10 years to serenade us with sour notes and a tune full of accidentals in hopes if what? Converting us with his cacophonous concert of half-truths, exaggerations and downright falsities? Not

a chance, Friedman, not a chance; come on down some afternoon and see how ill-tempered is your clavier.

RICHARD MOSES,
BRINKWORTHY

Nerve commended

Thank the heavens that someone has had the nerve to write in the Driftwood what most of us think: that anthropogenic global warming is a scientific fraud. ("Sea level rise, global warming: keep heads cool, stick with facts," Oct. 28 In Response piece.)

Mitigation of this fiction will destroy the hopes of the poor here and in the developing world. Good for Kees Visser for sticking up his head, and for the Driftwood for publishing his letter.

ELIZABETH NICKSON,
SALT SPRING

MORE LETTERS continued on A10

Send my dose of vaccine back to Stephen Harper

It's only a dark memory, an ancient shard, a byte lurking somewhere in the back eddies. It's northern Alberta, winter. The little gymnasium in the elementary school is cool and damp. It smells of a thousand games of dodge ball, of old leather pommel horses, of fold-out bleachers. At one end, below the stage under the basketball hoops, are two banquet tables manned by matronly nurses in crisp white uniforms.

Some of the children in my line are crying. I was six years old. It was vaccination day — six small scratches to test for polio. A few days later, a quick jab, a faint bull's eye that remains today.

Everything was simpler then, black and white. Communists were bad. We were the good guys. We trusted our government.

Things are different today. Political scandal heaped on political scandal has left Canadians jaded and skeptical. The House of Commons is a raucous three-ring circus.

Past prime ministers find themselves defending their actions of accepting bags full of cash from German businessmen, as if there is a compelling defence for such behaviour.

Last week, the largest health board in Newfoundland paid out \$17.5 million to about 425 men and women in compensation for botched breast cancer tests. The ensuing public inquiry concluded there was a complete breakdown of testing accountability "at all levels" within that province's health care system.

Out here on the West Coast we have had our share of system breakdowns in the health care system. Everyone seems to have a personal story.

Is it any wonder that in national polls, less than 50 per cent of Canadians are planning to get the vaccine for H1N1? It seems that most Canadians would rather trust their own defences than depend on our underfunded, porous health system and its officials. It isn't that they haven't tried. But you can only cry "Wolf!" so many times before we just get tired of running for the exits.

The World Health Organization, an official yet vaguely spurious organization has declared the H1N1 flu virus a "pandemic." What remains underreported is that this organization actually changed its definition of "pandemic," omitting the usual parameters of high morbidity and high mortality rates. That means you no longer have to die or even get really sick anymore for a disease to be declared a pandemic. So what have you got? Basically, you've got the flu.

Remember the so-called "bird flu" non-event pandemic of 2005? How about the SARS "pandemic" in 2002/2003. That one killed 774 people in the U.S., a statistical yawner. When the government says "Trust me," more and more people are replying, "Why should I?"


Peter Vincent

HEAD TO HEAD

In a normal round of flu, about 250,000 people worldwide succumb to garden variety flu, and this year, H1N1 or no H1N1, the numbers rolling in are consistent with past years. As of October 30, about 5,000 worldwide have died of the H1N1 strain of flu, including approximately 100 Canadians. Chances of dying of H1N1 are 250,000 to one. You are 20 times more likely to die in a car accident than you are of dying of H1N1.

Still, the government and the mainstream press are doing their best to whip the population into a panic-stricken frenzy over this strain of flu, to the point where seemingly rational people are willing to stand in line for hours braving the elements, surrounded by fellow paranoids, many already sporting flu-like symptoms.

As Canadian icon Allan Fotheringham recently stated in the Globe and Mail, "No [I'm not getting the shot]. I've never been so healthy since I was 18. Besides, I almost died two years ago because of a [screw-up] in hospital."

And David Suzuki, warmly embraced by our government who honoured him with the Order of Canada, responded with a resounding "Yes!" in that same Globe article, adding "Do they [Canadians] think doctors, scientists and government are out to poison them or something?" Well, no. I am not

questioning the government's motivation, just their competence. Just their medical credibility.

Just for the record, Rick Mercer says "yes," Anne Murray says "no" and Sandra Oh is undecided, stating "I just went to Whole Foods and bought \$200 worth of vitamins." Good call. If this and all types of flu flourish in those with weak or compromised immune systems, wouldn't it make sense to bolster one's own natural defence systems?

The government insists that the H1N1 vaccine does this far more effectively than Vitamin C and the like. In keeping with this exhortation, the feds have ordered up over 50 million doses of the vaccine at a cost of \$405 million. That's for a population of about 33 million. Better safe than sorry. With half the people eschewing the needle, it looks like we'll have a nice stock pile, huh?

What's a poor boy to do? Do I trust the government or my intuition? When Doc Reznick comes at me brandishing a dripping hypodermic, I think I'll pass. I'll use hand sanitizers. I'll use salt water in my nostrils.

I'll gargle lots with Listerine. I'll stalk the supplement aisles. If I develop symptoms, I'll stay at home and catch up on my reading. Call it "Dr. Vincent's Chicken Soup for the Flu" cure. Send my vaccine to Mr. Harper.

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Christmas Story Writing Contest

The deadline for our annual writing contest is Thursday, December 3rd. Win a cash prize for a story of up to 500 words about Christmas or the Christmas Season.

- Write a story of 500 words or less whose topic relates to Christmas or the Christmas season.
- All Gulf Islands students in Kindergarten to Grade 12 are eligible.
- Stories will be judged by retired teachers and librarians on quality of writing, clarity of presentation and originality of theme.
- Winning entries will be published in the Driftwood in December.
- The name, age, address and telephone number of the writer must be written on the back of each entry.
- Send entries to the Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3, email to news@gulfislands.net or fax to 250-537-2613.
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OPINION

MORE LETTERS

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Excellent resources

I cannot agree with Mr. Friedman's view that the library houses a "tired collection." ("If island can afford library shell, can it pay for better contents?" Oct. 21 In Response piece.)

It may be that materials are tired, because they circulate so often, but certainly not because they lack currency or popularity, as he states. Each year the library adds thousands of print volumes and is also building a very popular audio book and DVD collection. The children's and teen collections have grown enormously in the last several years in a conscious effort to create a library collection to meet community needs.

In 2008 the library had a total circulation of 134,944 items and had roughly 2,020 in-person visits per week.

Circulation per capita averages 14 — a very respectable number when you consider this ranks Salt Spring as the ninth highest per capita circulation in the province out of a total of 71 public libraries. In addition, the library has a culling program that regularly weeds unused or outdated items from its collections.

Book selections are made by committees comprised of community members and result in a library collection that has a high level of community involvement and relevance. In 2007 our library was ranked the fifth lowest in the province in expenditure per capita — yet we added more books to our library than many other libraries our size. We managed this efficient use of funds in part because of our high reliance on a large group of dedicated volunteers — which we plan to continue to rely on in our new building.

The interlibrary loan services which Mr. Friedman laments is one of the most popular services offered. Not only does it serve book clubs that want multiple copies of a title but also offers quick and efficient access to millions of titles throughout the province for any member of the community. In 2008 approximately 2308 interlibrary loan requests were made and of these 1,732 or 75 per cent were successfully filled.

As to the library's reference collection, Mr. Friedman would be aware that the introduction of the internet and electronic materials generally has made the need for a large print reference collection redundant in most small public libraries. The essential materials continue to be available in print and as always we are open to suggestions for purchase if a need is identified.

The Salt Spring Public Library operates under the Library Act (Bill 12) and is regulated financially and in respect to its governance under this Act. Currently the Ministry of Education is designated to oversee public libraries in the province through the Public Library Services Branch.

Having brought over 30 years of library experience and a Masters in Library Science to my position as chief librarian I can testify to the professional library standards under which the library operates. Our library provides exemplary service at a very reasonable cost and is committed to continuing to do so in the future. Among the many services are story times, summer reading clubs, services to the print impaired and the homebound, access to electronic databases, audio books

and e-books, computer internet and Wi-Fi access and of course wonderful collections of print materials.

Please come to visit us if you aren't already aware of all we do or visit our website at <http://saltspring.bclibrary.ca> for more information on our services.

BRIGITTE PETER-CHERNEFF,
SALT SPRING CHIEF LIBRARIAN

Facts, not politics

Regarding Kees Visser's Oct. 28 In Response piece, I would like to commend Visser on his thoughtful, factual article on sea level changes. As he correctly details, sea level is constantly changing, generally over a fairly narrow range. Much of what we read in the newspapers or hear on the evening news regarding sea level changes or dangerous anthropogenic global warming/climate change is not the median expectation but the alarming outside edge of the prediction range.

Fortunately, for those interested in the facts and not the politics of climate change there is the internet. For starters and general interest I can recommend Watts Up With That (<http://wattsupwiththat.com/>) For boring technical details there are Climate Audit (www.climateaudit.org/) and Climate Observations (<http://bobtisdale.blogspot.com/>).

For a lighthearted look and instructions on creating your own "hockey stick graph" there is Lucia's The Blackboard (<http://rankexploits.com/musings/>).

(I am a retired professional geological engineer and professional environmentalist.)

GORDON FORD,
SALT SPRING

Five-metre point

I want to clarify the purpose of the article which you published two weeks ago regarding a five-metre rise in sea level. This note applies equally to the climate change walk-about which I am responsible for that was in Ganges from Oct. 21 to 25.

Yes, the emphasis was on a five-metre rise in sea level, but that was for discussion purposes and was not to be understood as a particular ultimate level. My purpose was always to point out that if we continue to live as we do and do not bring about a serious reduction in our use of hydrocarbons then we, as certainly as the people of Bangladesh and the Maldives Islands, will one day live with huge problems — a lack of most of what we consider civilized life, of

our landscape and even of our survival. So, the point is — let's get to it.

And yes, the library is probably safe for at least 100 years.

IRENE WRIGHT,
MOUNT BELCHER

Raise the weir

In his "Don't raise the weir" letter in last week's Driftwood regarding the proposed raising of the weir on St. Mary Lake, Joel Shaver expressed his concerns regarding old septic systems on lake properties.

It should be pointed out that a study of existing septic fields has been done fairly recently by VIHA. The NSSWD is aware of this study and presumably has taken this into consideration. The waterworks are indicating that they wish to raise the weir for various good reasons.

If they do raise the weir and they have a licence to do so, the new anticipated water levels will be in line or slightly less than pre-weir heights. They have charts that show this. Raising the level by approximately one foot would increase the reserve of water over the summer months, a benefit in dry years and a benefit should their demands increase in the future.

Interestingly, only four lake residents have written to the NSSWD in response to the Sept. 15 letter from Trevor Hutton. I hope the St. Mary Lake stewardship group has more interest when it is revived in the near future.

GUS MITCHELL,
SALT SPRING

End of the line

Some years ago the Globe and Mail had a competition to complete the simile "as unlikely as . . ." I submitted 13 entries — #11 was published, but not #5 "as unlikely as a King Charles II of Canada."

I hope this is true. Charles as King of Canada and Camilla as his consort is unthinkable.

The CBC reported on a recent poll that 70 per cent of Canadians under 40 are indifferent to the monarchy. I hope some member of Parliament would have the guts to propose a private member's bill to the effect that when the reign of Queen Elizabeth II ends that Canada automatically becomes a republic with the Governor General as head of state. It could be a reappointed Michaele Jean or some equally admirable successor. I would love to see a First Nations person (woman or man) as head of state. They could even be two-spined.

JACK HALLAM,
SALT SPRING

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OPINION

Climate change: deal with reality

BY TOM WRIGHT

Kees Visser's In Response of Oct. 28 on the topic of global warming was welcome. The more we discuss climate change the closer we may come to understanding it. We've got to get it right. Misinformation is positively dangerous. Visser's admonition to "stick to the facts" is a wise one.

Alarm bells went off for me, though, to see "mere"

computer modelling

referred to as armchair fiction which is consistently proven wrong. Computer modelling is a widely used self-correcting scientific tool. By continually testing hypotheses, then rigorously correcting parameters, computer modelling becomes increasingly accurate over time.

Before satellite imagery, small changes in sea level were hard to measure. Shorelines continue to adjust to post-ice age melting, some rising, some falling. Tectonic movements also change land levels, sometimes gradually, sometimes suddenly. We know that sea level was 130 metres lower 20,000 years ago, but centuries of later sea level observations were compromised by our inability to separate sea level changes from land level changes.

This probably explains why I was quite unable to confirm Prof. Nils-Axel Moerner's four "facts" in the scientific literature. Current thinking is that sea level has risen an average of two mm/year for the last century, increasing to three mm/year for the past decade, and still increasing. Sea level rises partly due to thermal expansion and partly due to melting of land ice.

Kees is quite correct to say that neither melting Arctic sea ice nor floating Antarctic shelf ice will directly affect sea level. It is not correct to say that melting glacier ice (i.e. moving land ice) will have a negligible effect on sea level, however. It is a major contributor.

It is also wishful thinking to expect increased snowfall to negate the effects of melting ice across Antarctica. For millennia, extremely low temperatures have made Antarctica a near desert. Increased snowfall will result from warming, and thicker snow packs drive the flow of glaciers to the sea.

The three largest icecaps on Earth are on Greenland, West Antarctica and East Antarctica. Our understanding of how they melt has increased tremendous-

ly in the last couple of years. Melt water has been observed flowing deep into crevasses (moulins) on icecap surfaces, particularly on Greenland and West Antarctica, as well as on glaciers worldwide. Melting and sliding then occur at the base of the ice. Spectacular increases in outward flow rates of glaciers and also "ice rivers" within the icecaps are evident. You

have only to turn on your television to see massive blocks of land ice tumbling into the ocean. This is real sea level rise.

The huge East Antarctic icecap was long believed to be thick enough to insulate deep ice layers from rapid melting. Another shock! We now know that the thick ice blanket traps geothermal heat from below. Recent seismic exploration has located large melt water lakes beneath the ice, and areas of surface slumping in the order of tens of metres suggest substantial movements of deep water.

The potential for much-accelerated collapse of the icecaps should not be ignored. The three icecaps alone contain enough ice to raise worldwide sea level by over 70 metres should they melt completely.

Since observable atmospheric CO2 continues to increase, and faster than expected melting permafrost and mountain glaciers are widely evident, it seems logical to predict faster melting of the icecaps. We do not know how fast this melting will occur, or how fast sea levels will rise as a result. Educated estimates range between one metre and three metres this century. Either would be disastrous in low-lying countries of the world.

A disruption in the climate pattern should be anticipated when the dark Arctic Ocean waters become exposed to the long summer days when the reflective ice cover melts over the next few years. Releases of methane and CO2 will intensify the warming as permafrost melts and ocean temperature rises.

We certainly should not be so complacent as to think we can carry on as normal. If "keeping a cool head" means ignoring the evidence all around us, we are in for some rude shocks.

Incidentally, the actual wording of the 4th Assessment Report of the IPCC in 2007 (mentioned by Visser in his article) was:

Warming of the climate system is unequivocal and most of the

observed increase in global average temperatures since the mid-20th century is very likely due to the observed increase in anthropo-

genic greenhouse gas concentrations.

"Anthropogenic" means "caused by humans." That's us, folks!

The writer is a geologist and environmentalist who co-wrote the climate change piece Kees Visser responded to in last week's Driftwood.

Tom Varzeliotis

Booth Canal & More

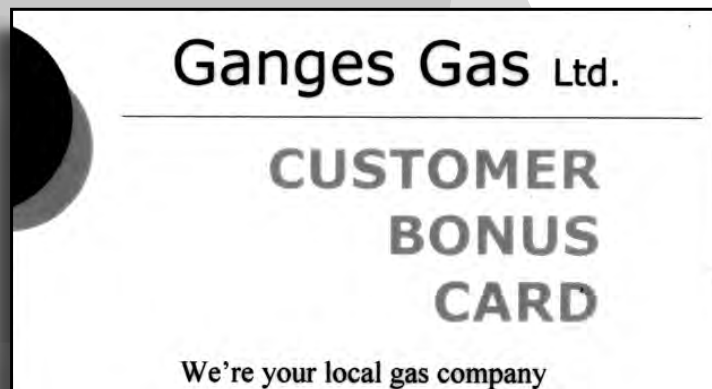
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OPINION



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IN THE ORACLE: Market vendor Fran Leask offers up a Halloween special last Saturday in Centennial Park.

LETTERS continued from A10 Invective

It's hard to leave this island without returning to discover surprising events such as the ill-natured "No insight on food policy" letter by Charles Breth on Oct. 21 — taking exception to comments by Elizabeth May about my new book, Trauma Farm, and our need to react to the climate emergency.

Nobody said that small farming is going to change the planet tomorrow, or that it will be easy. This is Mr. Breth's assumption. What Ms. May is talking about is changing the way we live and think. Living with climate change is not going to be easy either. Then Mr. Breth extols the virtues of the Tar Sands. The largest polluting project on the planet — an uneconomic madness that destroys more than it makes in order to fuel unnaturally created desires for excessive lifestyles. The Tar Sands are not a solution. They're a symptom of the current sickness that has led to potential catastrophe. Saving the planet and millions of lives isn't a topic that can be coherently covered in a short letter to the editor, but I did want to note how typical it is that the proponents of continuing our pillaging and looting tend to believe that personal invective is debate. It's not. Nor is exaggerating and distorting Ms. May's comments on the healthy benefits of local food. One of the first things we have to do to improve both the human and the world's condition is learn how to debate with a little common decency and less personal insults.

**BRIAN BRETT,
SALT SPRING**

RANTS *and* Roses

Rants

To the persons whose dog(s) was/were loose early Tuesday, Oct. 27 from about 4:30 a.m. on around North Beach and North End roads: your animal got into my pasture and ripped the throat of one of the sheep. Please show some responsibility and keep your dangerous animal in the house or penned up. People in the area be aware this dog is nearby, and protect your animals. Scott Merrick

Thank you to the extremely inconsiderate person who has been weeding their property on St. Mary Lake. You managed to spoil a great Sunday afternoon of fishing as my prop, my flies and my line were constantly tangled with your crap. When I returned in my boat to the north end, I then had to clean my dock and shore area as well. If anyone knows who the culprit is, please let me know as I would like to tell them what I really think. Gus Mitchell, 250-537-8730.

To the a-hole driving the van up Ganges Hill on Oct. 24 who had the nerve to throw his coffee cup out of the driver's side of his vehicle and into the oncoming lane. May Mother Nature get her revenge by stranding you and your vehicle in the deep south in a snowstorm. Tanya Van Schetsen

Roses

Salt Spring Elementary students wish to send 150 orange roses to Country Grocer for the free pumpkins. A great Halloween treat!

Roses to Maggie, Tamara and

Lillian, who guided our beautiful new daughter into the world. And to Janine, who never ceases to amaze me with her strength and grace. Richard Hayden

A gymnasium full of organic, fair trade roses to our community who showed its support for climate action at the Oct. 24 Climate Change Rally. Over 350 of us sent the message to Ottawa: "Don't let Canada sink at Copenhagen!" Special green roses to the 60 cyclists who joined in Salt Spring's largest critical mass ride ever!

A big bouquet of burgundy red roses to Salt Spring Vineyards for having the Harvest Grape Stomp at the vineyard. It was a great community event with lots of fun for all ages. We look forward to it next year. LL and SP

May I please put in a "roses" bouquet with salt water taffy to the master and crew of the Howe Sound Queen at Vesuvius for their kindness and consideration a week ago last Friday? Thank you, Driftwood too. Patricia and John Flannagan

A bucket of roses to Valdy for hauling his wife's sculpture of a giant horse made from "found" objects all over town in the back of his truck. With comments ranging from, "What the heck's that?" to "Oh my God," it took a certain amount of chutzpah to even leave Fulford! The garlic gonads were an especially aromatic touch. Thanks Valdy, we can always count on you to keep us entertained. Roger Brunt

Fragrant bunches of beautiful roses to all the people who

made Raffi's CD celebration such a success. Roses to David Wood and Thrifty's for donations of delicious refreshments, to Salt Spring Vineyards for their excellent wine, and to our many generous and hardworking volunteers. Maureen Moore

Many roses to the young man on Page 11 of the Oct. 21 Driftwood who was smart enough to wear a helmet during the Sunday program at the Kanaka Road Skate Park.

A dozen red roses, a box of chocolates and a bottle of wine for the person who found my wallet and turned it in at Country Grocer.

A doggy basket full of biscuits and roses to Malcolm, Harold, Lisa, Norah and Stephanie of Salt Spring Veterinary Services for not just saving our little Izzy's life but also giving her a quality life. Things just wouldn't be the same without her. Tanya & Mitch

A huge bouquet of thanks to Paint Plus, West of the Moon, Fables Cottage, Country Grocer, the Fritz Movie Theatre, Harlan's Chocolates, Pomodoro, Uptown Pizza, Island Star Video for their donations to Salt Spring Middle School towards their math contest.

Roses to the Salt Spring Volunteer Firefighters' Association for everything they do for our community. Thank you so much for donating your hard-earned money to buy our son an emergency stop device for his wheelchair. Salt Spring Island is that much safer because of your generosity. Chris & Faedra

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NEWSBEAT

WISDOM

Harvard theologian offers intimate teaching on living and dying well

Stephen Jenkinson returns to Salt Spring for sessions this weekend

Those who missed this year's Our Island Our World Film Festival, might not have seen the NFB film Grief-walker, which was voted the top film of the festival.

In it, filmmaker Tim Wilson provides an extraordinary portrait of his friend Stephen Jenkinson and his work with dying people. On Friday, Nov. 6, Jenkinson will be back on Salt Spring for a public screening of the film at Salt Spring United Church at 7 p.m. It will be followed by a more intimate teaching weekend on living and dying well, on grief and the love of being alive.

After a year of presenting Grief-walker in communities across Canada, Jenkinson has participated in many spirited question and answer sessions following the film. According to press material, the film seems to detonate personal stories, memories and fears, and people seem to long for a chance to talk out loud with each other about what they have witnessed and heard, often for hours at a time.

"How we are with dying people

goes a long way to making or breaking our community life. Much is at stake at the death bed, and before and after," says Jenkinson. "We need to work hard on making a language for dying, and harder still on making for ourselves a stout willingness to be faithful witnesses to what dying does to us and what it asks of us all. The skill of dying is the same skill as deep living. I'm trying to teach people how to die well."

Members of the public are invited to the weekend-long teaching set for Nov. 7-8. Participants will explore with Jenkinson how to make meaning at the end of life, how to learn about our humanity through our capacity for love, praise and grief, and that the proper antidote to our longing to be from somewhere is learning about our spiritual ancestry. The thrust of Stephen's teaching is that grief is a skill of life and that we need to try to make a place for grief in our love of life, and learn why the end of life might be the greatest teacher of that love.

To learn more about Stephen Jenkinson's teachings, visit www.orphan-wisdom.com or contact Natasha Kong at 250-537-1817. To register for the weekend workshops, contact Kaz Amaranth at 250-537-1643 or kazamaranth@hotmail.com.

TRANSPORTATION

Cycling group gets rolling

Promoting safe and easy biking on the island

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission wants cyclists to roll up and offer input on ways to improve and encourage cycling on the island.

Commission member Kimi Hendess is trying to gather as many volunteers as possible ahead of the Salt Spring Island Bicycle Working Group's inaugural meeting on Thursday, Nov. 19.

She hopes the group will provide a venue for island cyclists to inspire the commission on how to improve the island's cycling infrastructure and promote biking as a way for more people to get to and from work or school.

The community-based advisory group will offer cyclists a laid-back setting to spread awareness of how cycling can improve the health and well-being of individuals and the planet. Hendess foresees monthly meetings where cyclists

can develop strategies to promote construction of cycling paths, education programs and other initiatives.

"I'm hoping to encourage new people to come out and get involved who may not have been involved in community issues in the past," she said. "We want a range of skill sets and areas of interest so people can work on whatever interests them, whether it be research and writing proposals to present to the transportation commission, doing bicycle safety education or whatever else the working group comes up with."

Group members will work in conjunction with the Ministry of Transportation, Island Pathways and the Salt Spring Transportation Commission.

"This group will pick up on things that have been done by other groups in the past and come up with priorities for the commission," she said.

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NEWSBEAT

SOLID

Young volunteers help out island non-profit

Pearson College students get taste of community service

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Salt Spring Island Organization for Life Improvement and Development has built its reputation on helping people living with HIV and AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa, but that doesn't mean it doesn't mind receiving a helping for itself every once in a while.

Thanks to a class at Victoria's Pearson College, four promising young adults were on the island last week to assist the organization with a number of ongoing projects and initiatives.

"They're so articulate, they're so involved and they're so present to everything," said Meron Moroz, a SOLID board member who showed young volunteers the ins and outs of island life last week.

Hieu Phan, a Vietnamese student in his second year at Pearson College, got the idea to volunteer with SOLID from one of his teachers.

In fewer than five days on the island, he said, volunteers have attended and participated in events

at Meadowbrook and Gulf Islands Secondary School, refurbished the crosses used in SOLID's annual Dec. 1 cross display and met with representatives from other island groups working with people in different parts of Africa.

In one of their final outings last week, the students joined local Girl Guides as part of SOLID's ongoing peace tile project. Hand-painted tiles adorned with messages of hope will grace the walls of the Salt Spring Coffee Company Cafe in the weeks leading up to World AIDS Day on Dec. 1.

Malaysian student Amirah Shahfudin said volunteers at SOLID and other island groups have taught her it's possible to hold down a full-time job and still contribute to the well-being of those less fortunate.

"I hope that wherever I work and whatever I do I can help in the ways that [SOLID volunteers] do," she said.

French student Levi Westerveld said he's "met a lot of really nice people and learned more about how a non-profit organization works."

Emmy Chahal, a Pearson College student from right here in B.C., commended the SOLID group for its work on numerous projects with people of all ages throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

"The organization itself is full of really inspiring people and people who care about the world," she said.

Experiences such as volunteering with SOLID, she said, pretty much sum up the type of education she

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AMIRAH SHAHFUDIN
Student, Pearson College

and other students at Pearson College receive.

"It's not a very well-known organization, but it's an incredible experience," Chahal said. "It's like living in a global village every day and any Canadian student can apply. It's not based on your financial ability because it's free. It's based on who you are as a person."

The college's International Baccalaureate program is a two-year program for students in Grade 12 and their first year of university.



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

SOLID board director Meron Moroz offered students from Victoria's Pearson College an inside look at the workings of a successful non-profit organization last week. From left are Moroz, Hieu Phan, Levi Westerveld, Amirah Shahfudin and Emmy Chahal.

TOASTMASTERS

First islander reaches district level

Bud Bowes propelled by first-place win

Salt Spring Toastmasters club member Bud Bowes is off to a district conference in Burnaby this weekend after winning first place in a District G humorous speech contest.

With his speech titled Friends and the Law, Bowes took top spot competing against five other toastmasters from Vancouver Island and Powell River. This honour was preceded by two first-place wins at the area and Salt Spring club levels.

Bowes will compete against Toastmasters from all over B.C. and Washington at the district conference, which spans three days of workshops and educational sessions.

It's the first time a Salt Spring Toastmaster has reached the district level of competition and many Salt Spring Toastmasters will be attending to support and cheer on Bowes, said club publicist Dana Pennington.

Salt Spring Toastmasters meet every Monday at 7 p.m. in the Harbour House Hotel's Crofton Room, where guests are welcome to attend.

Capital Regional District



Notice Of Application to Volunteer as a Scrutineer and Voter Registration Salt Spring Island Public Library Referendum

Take notice that the assent of the electors is required with regard to Bylaw No. 3613, "Salt Spring Island Public Library Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2, 2009" and Bylaw No. 3612, "Salt Spring Island Public Library Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1, Amendment Bylaw No. 3, 2009". Qualified electors of the Electoral Area of Salt Spring Island will be asked to vote on the following question on **Saturday, December 5, 2009:**

"Are you in favour of the Board of the Capital Regional District adopting both of the following Bylaws:

(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?"

Scrutineers

Applications to act as a scrutineer for those organizations for and against Bylaws Nos. 3613 and 3612 shall be received at the offices of the Capital Regional District (CRD), P. O. Box 1000, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2S6 between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm from **Tuesday, November 10, 2009 until Thursday, November 19, 2009**. Application forms and information on the requirements and procedures for making an application are available at the CRD by telephoning toll free 1.800.663.4425 local 3129 or 250.360.3129 or at the address noted above.

List of Registered Electors

Beginning **Wednesday, October 28, 2009 until Friday, November 13, 2009** a copy of the List of Registered Electors for the Electoral Area of Salt Spring Island will be available, **upon signature**, for public inspection at the CRD offices listed below. You may also call the following offices between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Mon. to Fri. excluding holidays to enquire whether your name is on the List:

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Notice of Advance Voter Registration

Advance Voter Registration closes on Friday, November 13, 2009 for the List of Registered Electors for the Electoral Area of Salt Spring Island. Voter qualifications are set out below. You may also register on voting day if you meet these qualifications:

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Chief Election Officer

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Sports & Recreation

MEN'S SOCCER

Alumni FC still searching for win

Old Boys move up in standings

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring's Alumni FC fell to ninth place in its division after losing a close 2-1 contest to visiting Gorge FC on Sunday morning.

"It was a hard-fought game," said player Eamon Murphy. "Gorge is just a skilled team."

Gorge FC took the lead off a penalty kick that followed a "questionable call" early in the first half.

Murphy delivered the equalizer minutes later, but a sustained attack earned Gorge FC another goal before the half.

Teams played a scoreless second half, although Alumni FC dominated possession for much of the game's latter stages, said Murphy.

The loss is Alumni FC's third defeat in as many games. The team is 11 points out of first place with a 2-6-0 record.

Murphy said the recent losing skid is a result of the team's growing injury list and the Masters-A division's highly competitive teams.

Despite the string of losses, he said, players are still confident they are playing some great soccer.

Alumni FC takes on the sixth-place Cowichan Craig St. Brew Pub (2-4-2) on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Island soccer fans will have to wait until Nov. 22 before they get the chance to watch their team play on Salt Spring.

In other Vancouver Island Soccer League action, the Salt Spring Old Boys won their second game of the season on Sunday.

"A very solid defensive performance laid the foundation for the victory," said player Richard Steel.

Mike McCormick scored the winning goal in the team's 1-0 victory over Juan de Fuca.

Old Boy Jim Witherspoon stood his ground in goal to earn the shutout.

The victory gives the team a 2-4-0 record and puts it in a three-way tie for third spot in the Masters-C division.



PHOTO BY JOHN CAMERON

Lyall Brown and Ken Marr defend the Alumni net during a corner kick.

The Old Boys tied up its season series with Juan de Fuca (2-3-0) at one win apiece.

"The spirit in the camp is very positive following two good and determined performances back to back," Steel said.

The Old Boys get a chance to climb further up their division standings on Sunday, Nov. 8 when the team travels to the Victoria area to take on Vantreights (2-3-0).

In Div.-4C action, Ganges Gremio is still undefeated after playing to a one-all tie against Juan de Fuca on Sunday afternoon.

Ryan Smith scored Gremio's one-and-only goal and the team's defence did all the rest to lock up the draw.

Gremio has won two games and tied a division-leading five matches so far this season.

The team plays at home on Sunday, Nov. 8 at Portlock Park against Gordon Head SK (3-2-2).

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SPORTS & RECREATION

HOCKEY

Former islander finalist in cheer contest

Joshua Hillier now in Toronto

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A former Salt Spring resident has found himself in the national eye this fall because of his love for hockey.

Twenty-four-year-old Joshua Hillier is one of three finalists in a contest to create a new, official cheer for Hockey Canada, the organization in charge of the country's national teams.

The contest jointly sponsored by Hockey Canada, Pepsi and Gatorade saw 1,100 entries pour in over five weeks. Hillier, a graduate of a university program in film post-production work, said he first heard about it on a television ad during a Maple Leafs game.

"I had some ideas in my head and after the game I went into my room and started working things out on my computer," Hillier said on the phone from Toronto. "I consider myself to be very patriotic as it

is and hockey is my favourite sport, so it just kind of made sense."

Hillier was surprised to hear from contest organizers less than two weeks after submitting that his cheer was a top-three finalist. Canadians were able to vote for their favourite cheer on Pepsi's website from Oct. 19 to Nov. 1.

One day after the voting closed, Hillier was beginning his wait until the results are announced on Sunday, Nov. 8.

"The anticipation's pretty huge, but win or lose, I'm just glad I made it this far. If I win it will be a dream come true, and if not it was really cool to come up with something that represents the team. Hockey's such a beloved sport," Hillier said. "I'd just like to thank everyone that voted."

Hillier's cheer riffs on spelling Canada, but replaces the 'a's with 'Eh's, running: "C-Eh-N-Eh-D-Eh-N-Eh, We say . . . Go Canada Go!" If Canadian fans choose it as their favourite, it will become Team

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JOSHUA HILLIER
Cheer finalist

Canada's official cheer, led by the official Ambassador of Cheer, Cameron Hughes.

If he wins, Hillier will also receive a trip to the World Junior Championships in Saskatoon next May and a trip to the three final Men's World Championship games in Cologne, Germany.

Hillier attended school on Salt Spring in Grade 3 and Grade 6.

GISS VOLLEYBALL

Senior boys Scorpions take 5th at tourney

Look forward to alumni game on Saturday

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

GISS' senior boys volleyball team is following up its stellar 2008/09 season with a solid start this fall, said longtime coach Kellie Booth.

The team participated in a tournament at G.P. Vanier Secondary in Courtenay over the weekend, taking fifth place.

"We had a particularly strong team last year that finished eighth at the provincials," said

Booth, who described that team as the strongest she's coached in her 18-year coaching career.

"This year's version is a solid team. We have some rookie players, but they're very good."

Last weekend's tournament saw strong play from veteran players Graham Wrigley, KC Knight, Drew Storey and Evan Henshall.

Booth noted consistent serving from Charlie Holmes and Aaron Kyle.

Luc Comeau as libero gave some "terrific back-row play."

Davis Grasky did a good job as setter.

"He's a rookie player and the setter has a lot of responsibility on a volleyball team. He did a terrific job," said Booth.

Booth also noted the positive contribution made by "junior phenom" Jackson Sweetnam, a Grade 9 student who filled in for a missing senior player for the tournament.

Booth had seen Sweetnam play with the junior team a number of times and felt he was able to make the step up.

Salt Spring players have shown to good advantage in recent years.

Chris Howe, who played with the senior boys as a starting middle player last season,

is now playing with UBC's Okanagan campus team.

Current GISS senior Knight has already received a number of offers to play at the next level when he goes to college or university.

This coming weekend the Salt Spring boys will travel to Parklands Secondary in Sidney on Friday and then host an alumni game against last year's GISS seniors.

The game takes place from 2 to 5 p.m. on Saturday and is open to the public.

GISS then hosts the North Island Championships over the weekend of Friday, Nov. 13 and Saturday, Nov. 14.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Div.-2 players relish some tough competition

Quality play also commended for Over 30s

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring United's Div.-2 women fought another hard battle at Portlock Park on Sunday, but kept their footing against Vic West in a 1-1 tie.

"It was a tough game," team spokesperson Sue-Anne Donaldson reported. "They had a large squad and we had a full team. We started strong and we finished strong."

Vic West scored first with a goal that came through a penalty shot. Salt Spring tied it up with "a really brilliant shot" by LeeAnn Norgard, whose kick grazed

Joanne O'Connor's head, ensuring the ball went into the net.

Donaldson said the team played well through defence up to mid-field, where Karla Copeland-Rice had a good game. Carol Adam was also a valuable player, jumping in net after the regular keeper was injured in the second half.

The team looks forward to playing Lakehill Reds in Victoria on Sunday.

"It's nice to be playing in this division because it's good soccer and that's what we're all looking for," said Donaldson. "Hopefully we'll keep moving up in the standings."

• Salt Spring United's Over-30s women received high praise from competitors Vic A following their Sunday match.

The team at the top of the league praised

Salt Spring as being the best team they've played so far, while the referee also commented on the team's quality play.

SS United travelled to Victoria with a team of only nine players. Sue Spencer stepped into net and for the first half hour the team bravely faced a full and healthy team from Vic West. Victoria managed to put the ball in the net four times before a 10th player arrived on the field for Salt Spring.

Despite the unbalanced teams, Salt Spring's Over 30s played an excellent defensive line with lots of passing from the defensive end, through the wings and up to the strikers, said spokesperson Louise Doucet.

Late in the first period, Carolyn Flam scored Salt Spring's only goal.

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SOCIAL CHANGE

Living life live through us part of Macy's advice

The Work That Reconnects workshop offered by islander through RRU

BY ROWAN PERCY
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

I get up in the morning, put the kettle on, clear away last night's dishes, and watch the bronze ball of fire rise behind a strand of cloud. With a jolt, the thought of global warming incites its offspring thoughts and I wonder how many easy, secure mornings are left, to those of us who still have them.

While global warming is usually presented in hard-to-swallow facts about ice-melt, emissions, acidifying oceans and lists of changes we should make, it's not the particulars so much as the whole terrible damage to planetary systems and the undoing of evolution that breaks my heart.

How does one move from a broken heart into action? What motivates us to start or to keep taking action, especially when the situation we face gets more complicated or worse? It might not be global warming, it might be violence, or viruses or how to heal a difficult conflict.

Maggie Ziegler, who has studied with the internationally known activist and thinker Joanna Macy and now facilitates The Work That Reconnects, says, "Connecting to our gratitude for all of life and the beauty of the planet supports people finding a heart-felt

direction to contribute to change. Hard facts can be motivators but can also lead to being overwhelmed and withdrawn."

This process from gratitude to action is "a spiral movement in which gratitude grounds our ability to honour our pain for the world, which in turn shifts our way of seeing, and moves us toward deepening action."

Ziegler says, "When we find out that we can survive our pain we experience a big shift in how we see ourselves. Since our pain is also our love for the world, our relationship with the world is sustaining."

Since we are only alive because of the web of life, Joanna Macy says, we are like a nerve cell in a neural net. We can't control or see the long-term outcome of our actions and no single person or group can repair the whole world.

By releasing ourselves from grandiose goals, we relax into what we can do as a small part of a gigantic living system. This way we take part in self-healing, ours and the world's.

In The Great Turning, the shift that leads to a globally life-sustaining society, Macy says, there are three mutually interdependent spheres of human activity.

The first sphere is activism or "holding actions" (such as the recent 350 rally on Salt Spring), which include protest and opposition to laws and practices that undermine life systems.

The second sphere is sustaining actions such as saving seeds, local food production, governmental and corporate decisions that support

the healing of life systems, and the like.

The third sphere is the deep shift in consciousness based in interconnectedness. It can keep us centred as we work toward a life-sustaining world. Instead of shrinking from it, Macy affirms the power of facing the uncertainty of the future. People everywhere are uncertain, at all times, whether it is the outcome of a pregnancy, planting a garden or starting a new project.

No one knows either, whether our planet will devolve before we can return it to adequate health. We don't know if self-interest at governmental and corporate levels will outstrip the basic human will for viable life systems.

This very uncertainty, Macy says, inspires and moves us. It makes us rely on intention more than outcome, it makes us live in the moment rather than rely on nebulous hope, it opens us to a sense of the bigness of our lives and our capacity to respond, and the immensely creative synergies we can apply to the future of a healthy planet.

Synergy, working together, is a different form of power than the old hierarchical model where energy flows vertically. Synergy gives rise to new patterns, which in turn create new evolutionary possibilities.

We may experience synergy when we "let life live through us." Chloe Straw, who was at Macy's recent workshop, says, "As a young person I felt I had a huge weight to carry, simply for having been born in a time of cultural collapse. Joanna's phrase, 'life is living through us,' struck a deep shift in my perspective. I have been able to go beyond

"The breathing exercises, valuing my emotional reactions to the world's suffering, and having access to a network of people who also feel this pain has been a beautiful gift."

CHLOE STRAW
Workshop participant

feeling paralyzed. I am finding my way. The breathing exercises, valuing my emotional reactions to the world's suffering, and having access to a network of people who also feel this pain has been a beautiful gift."

By speaking the truth of our experience, trusting that our responses are shared by others, being willing to take risks with new behaviours and actions, dropping old roles, we can regain the rhythm of life that can heal the well-being of the whole.

A link to Ziegler's workshop, which runs Nov. 14-15, can be found at www.royalroads.ca/continuing-studies/certificate-programs/ecological-literacy-competency-framework.htm

OPINION

Consider cat's plight

Last Thursday we heard a plaintive mewing at the front door and there was a stray cat. He was small, thin, and black with a white bib and white feet and white moustache and green eyes, with a purple collar and no tag. He or she was desperately hungry, so we supplied food and milk and the cat stayed outside on the mat, or keeping warm by the dryer vent.

The SPCA advised us not to feed it and to place a poster at our mailbox, which we did. We called all of our neighbours and nobody was missing a cat.

The cat had an abscess that started to drain by Monday and eventually the SPCA allowed us to take the cat in for treatment and potential adoption.

A garland of white roses for the people and volunteers that help make SPCA tick.

For the person or persons that deliberately drove their cat to Sarah Way and then left it to its own devices, just consider this.

If you were sick or no longer fitting in, how would you feel if I drove you to nowhere and then dropped you off to fend for yourself, most likely to starve or die of exposure? Your karma has now changed and only several good deeds of paying forward will ever come close to restoring it.

JACK YENSEN,
SALT SPRING

Series appreciated

I would like to thank Denis Russell and Community Education for the Wednesday morning lecture series on "how Salt Spring works."

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the program on education but the previous two presentations, on the Islands Trust with George Ehring and PARC with Kees Ruurs were both very informative, well presented, in an appropriate venue and with interesting question periods. My only concerns were the cancellation of the health care program and the poor turnout of islanders.

SUE MOUAT,
SALT SPRING

Clearing the way

I read your article on beach access ("Residents speak up to preserve beach access" in the Sept. 23 Driftwood with interest and alarm.

Beach accesses are public property under the remit of the Ministry of Transportation and, if access is being denied or limited under threat by others, it is up to us to protect our rights. We can do this by not only pressing the relevant authorities but also by our personal actions.

This issue is as old as the hills in places like the U.K. which is criss-crossed by public paths and bridle-ways. Farmers are notorious for skulduggery in militating against public access (misleading signage, barbed-wire, locked gates, bulls in fields, etc).

They are countered by various hiking and special-interest groups who make it their business to "walk" the access ways periodically, maintain signposts (often replacing "missing" ones), "arrow" the routes, dismantle improper "Keep Out"

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and "No Trespassing" signs, clear any imported obstructions (like felled trees and junked cars) and keep them clear and open. Would any such groups on Salt Spring like to step forward and take an interest in this, either formally or informally?

If threats are explicitly (or implicitly in this particular case) made against members of the public, this is serious stuff (I think maybe a criminal offence) and the police have to get involved.

Last I heard (albeit in Alberta) was of a farmer who with his shotgun threatened a hunter who strayed; the shotgun was confiscated, he was heavily fined and banned from using weapons for two years.

That was in Wild West Alberta where one would expect that as an everyday event, a matter of norm, and our response in B.C. should be at least as forthright.

ROSS KING,
SALT SPRING

Pathways gratitude

On behalf of Greenwood's Eldercare Society, I wish to convey appreciation to Partners Creating Pathways for resolution of significant safety issues.

Completion of paved pathways on Blain and Crofton roads creates safe areas for pedestrians, with and without mobility aides, to access amenities in this busy neighbourhood.

Initiation and organization by PCP to plan, then amass funding, demonstrates commendable cooperation in our community. Donors' remarkable generosity allowed project completion to proceed quickly.

Specifically, GES is grateful for improved safety for residents of Braehaven and Greenwood's as well as clients, families, volunteers and staff assisting delivery of GES residential/community programs.

Community respect to keep designated pedestrian areas of Blain and Crofton roads free of parked cars is anticipated.

Congratulations and sincere thanks for another PCP success.

JEAN TAYLOR,
BOARD CHAIR, GREENWOODS ELDERCARE SOCIETY

Timely gathering

For people feeling overwhelmed by talk of global warming and climate change, a recent gathering of islanders gave hope for positive community action.

Over 135 residents from all 13 islands in the Islands Trust met Oct. 24 at Gulf Islands Secondary School to share experiences and ideas on community responses to climate change. The event coincided with the International Day of Climate Action.

Sponsored by the Gulf Islands Alliance, a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to upholding the "preserve and protect" mandate of the Islands Trust Act, the meeting was held to connect people working separately

on each island who share a common vision.

Guest speakers included Guy Dauncey, Neil Dawe, Sheila Malcolmson and Karen Lanphear. Dauncey talked about the climate crisis and the birth of a new solar age. This event marked the launching of his latest book called The Climate Challenge: 101 Solutions to Global Warming.

Islands Trust chair Malcolmson described the Trust's response to new provincial requirements for all local governments created by Bill 27.

This bill requires local governments to include plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions by next May.

Stating that "sustainable growth" is not possible, Dawe pulled no punches. He outlined measures to achieve a steady-state economy with consumption and waste production levels brought back to 1950 levels.

Lanphear, a co-founder of the Sandpoint Transition Initiative in Idaho, invited people to work towards turning Salt Spring or the entire Gulf Islands into a "transition community." Currently, she said that there are 267 transition communities worldwide and many more considering it.

Following the presentations, islanders reported on innovations for "transitioning" to sustainable communities on their islands.

We heard about the Community Energy Strategy and Area Farm Plan on Salt Spring, the Community Food Program on Galiano, a heritage seed preservation and promotion society, the West Coast Climate Equity website, the Integrated Water Systems Society on Mayne, green burial and shoreline sustainability initiatives on Denman, and several transportation projects on Mayne, Lasqueti, Salt Spring, Pender and Hornby.

Small groups then spent some time focusing on key topics, followed by a wrap-up session with all the speakers reflecting on a wide-ranging review of the day's activities. The day ended with a new song from Phil Vernon, inspiring us all to "Be the Change."

All in all, it was a valuable and timely gathering of islanders, providing a wealth of great ideas. For more information, check out the GIA website at www.gulfislandsalliance.ca

DAVID DENNING,
HARRISON AVENUE

Eyes on the prize

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I recall the eye-grabbing ads extolling a "one-day-only sale." Didn't work for me: I went on Wednesday. This time I think I'll show up before everything worthwhile has been sold.

Eyes on the prize.
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For complete job description contact Transition House Coordinator 250-537-0719. Submit resume to: Transition House Coordinator, email: thcoordinator@iwav.org, fax: 250-537-0736
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• Any other related experience, education or comments
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Please direct any questions, or send your expression of interest listing your related experience, by November 23, 2009 to:
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Islands Trust
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This Week's Horoscope

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Tip of the Week:

The deep dark of the season is ever mysterious. Psychologically, darkness can bring forth fears and depression. At best, we seek profound insight at this time. Turning inward to rest and retreat as we can, there is a definite shift in consciousness. Between the beautiful colours of autumn and the snows of winter, Scorpio time is truly a reflection of the themes that the scorpion symbolizes. Not surprisingly, Scorpio is the sign of depth psychology. Penetrating to the deeper layers of anything is Scorpio's domain. Research, investigations, espionage, murder mysteries, quantum physics, plumbing, mining, deep sea divers and other such fields of human endeavour are symbolically linked to Scorpio. With Sun and Mercury and Venus (November 7) in the sign of death and rebirth and cyclic renewal, it will seem that much darker this year. Travel to exotic places where the sun is bright and temperatures are hot, will prove extra tempting. On the other hand, this can prove to be an excellent time to focus on needed healing, rest and retreat that the adventures and stresses of travel may not be able to satisfy. Surrender to the flow and allow the deep healing of Scorpio to do its work.

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

You are hot on the trail to get some real answers. Investments, adventure, games and social networking are all likely areas of focus. Other players are demanding more from you, commitments. You may be surprised to discover how ready you feel to comply. Desires for more depth, intimacy and passion could prove to be the deciding factor.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21)

Desires for intimate exchange and passionate embrace are growing steadily now. As much as this may include romantic relationships, it may also apply to your career as well. Gaining more knowledge may lead you to seek teachers and mentors now. You are ready to take risks in your career to overcome stagnation, confusion and uncertainty. Commit to change!

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

A deep healing process has begun for you. Education and new knowledge and possibly travel is implied. This is a good time to clear out the old to make way for the new. Concentrate and follow through and you will feel rejuvenated. Perhaps it is your closets or basement or perhaps it is a body cleanse or maybe simply clearing debts whether financial or personal will lift your spirits.

Cancer (Jun 22 – Jul 22)

You are in a very creative cycle now. It will only last a couple more weeks so act on it. You may feel inventive. With growing ambitions to support your focus, you have reason to succeed. You may be experiencing fears. These may be financial or they may include issues of mortality and death. Seeking assurance and insurances is common. Seek your soul, mate!

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 23)

The lion's roar may sound louder than usual now. Why not let our some of your passions? Repressing them will only depress you anyway. On the other hand, can you roar with out biting and scratching others? Summon your feline prowess to enchant as well as to entertain and impress those you love with your natural powers.

Virgo (Aug 24 – Sep 22)

Exploring new territory in more ways than one should be keeping you busy now. Investigating strategies to stimulate new streams of income is likely. This is a good time to initiate the process, at least by getting good answers. You may have to do most if not all of the work yourself, however. Avoid leaning on others but do be open to expert advice.

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22)

A new resolve is being born in you. You are ready to exercise new disciplines to achieve greater measures of power. Since even great wealth and fame and achievement and so on is of little value without health to enjoy it, make sure your priorities are clear. Do push through and beyond resistances, especially those coming from within. Associate pain to bad old habits with the power of your imagination.

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21)

The time has come to take some pioneering leads. Desires for true love may be your goal. This is a good time to learn new skills as well. What tantric secrets might you uncover? Flirting with all kinds of new possibilities will keep you busy starting this week. At worst, you will feel divided between objectives. Take your time, if you can. Be willing to get out of your own way and try something new.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21)

Taking the time to loom within continues. You may feel brass and bold and courageous to explore. Nurturing new attitudes and visions is also likely. These may well be linked to new modes of knowledge. Returns for past efforts or lack thereof will become apparent now. Hopefully, you have been listening within and making sincere efforts.

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19)

You may feel like you are at the top of the mountain now. The question is; do you feel the glory or do you simply feel the cold, or both. Enduring a long climb and achieving the peak is certainly a symbol of success, whatever the mountain may be. Staying there is the other consideration and climbing back down is yet another. Each phase has its time and place and somehow all three are on your mind.

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 19)

The paradox of power for you is the realization that unless it serves a higher good, it is actually not power at all. There are many who vie for power to control but your lesson it to harness it to serve. If you do not do so, you will suffer sooner or later. Don't be fooled by elitist attitudes and goals – it is just ego in its triumph. Yet, you must make use of your ego to succeed. Strike the true balance!

Pisces (Feb 20 – Mar 20)

You are entering into a metamorphic process. If you are wise and listen within and heed the signs without, you will emerge rejuvenated, empowered and freer. In the now, aim to cultivate a healthier rhythm and routine; associate pleasure to a deep commitment to health. Don't think 'should' act on it as soon as it emerges and do not point it at any one but you. Outline your goals and objectives with words and clear pictures.



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Lime: a small citrus fruit, whose skin and flesh are green in color and which have an oval or round shape with a diameter between one to three inches. Limes can either be sour or sweet, valued both for the acidity of their juice and the floral aroma of their zest. Lime is a very common ingredient in authentic Mexican and Thai dishes. I love using limes both for their juice as well as their zest. Add flair to your favorite recipe in a flash by adding a hint of lime.



Grate **1 cup cheese**. Set aside. In a small bowl combine **1 diced chicken breast, zest and juice of one lime, 2 tablespoons chili powder, 2 cloves garlic minced, ¼ teaspoon cracked black pepper** (optional, **1 minced chopped pickled jalapeno** for extra heat.) Set aside covered for 15 minutes. De-cob **1 cob of corn**, or use **½ cup drained canned corn**. Mince **1 green pepper**. In **2 tablespoons oil** pan fry the chicken and vegetable mixture until cooked through. Heat a large pre-oiled skillet on medium high heat. Place **1 of 4 tortillas** in the skillet. Place **¼ grated cheese** on half of the tortilla, at least ½ inch from the edge. Add ¼ cup of the mixed filling. Fold the tortilla over like an omelet, and press down on the folded tortilla with a spatula. Lower the heat to medium. When the cheese inside the quesadilla has melted, remove the quesadilla to a cutting board. Cut into 3 triangles. Repeat with remaining tortillas. Serve with **sour cream and salsa**.

Shopping list:

- Cheese
- Chicken Breast
- 1 Lime
- Chili Powder
- Garlic
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- 1 Cob of Corn
- 1 Green Pepper
- Oil
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Crew of the HMS Ganges in the Royal Navy in World War II, portrayed in a Christmas card. Harry Bolland, the uncle of Pat O'Neill of Salt Spring Island, was a member of the crew.

WORLD WAR I

An island man's story of the First World War



At top, the Canadian National Vimy Memorial overlooks the Douai plain in France, as described in the piece by Malcolm Bond; above, Salt Spring Islanders gather at the first cenotaph in Ganges, erected to commemorate WWI vets from Salt Spring and Galiano Islands; above right, that cenotaph up close.

Salt Spring son keeps the memories alive

BY MALCOLM BOND
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

All but one Canadian from World War I have died and many of the sons and daughters of these veterans have too.

I was born when my father Jesse Bond was 48, so I still have the memory of his recollections of 1915 to 1919 (his serving time), often told at dinner with other vets or at his battalion reunions in the 1960s.

People like Ted Barris and Pierre Burton have so vividly recalled the stories of soldiers such as Will Bird, Gregory Clark, Victor Odlum, Cy Peck, George Peakes and so on, but the vast number of stories remain untold and unknown. When my generation is gone, these stories will almost all be gone too.

The first contingent of Canadian volunteers signed up at the outbreak of war in 1914.

Many were recent immigrants from the U.K. expecting a free ride home, a bit of adventure and showing support for a conflict that was supposed to be over by Christmas.

When it was obvious that there was a stalemate in France, the call went out throughout the British Empire for volunteers to serve for king and country. Jesse Bond was in that group. He, Vic Jackson, Bev Ackland and Dudley "Tiny" Seymour all enlisted together.



They probably caught a boat to Sidney, then took the "cordwood" railway to Victoria.

Thence they went to the Armory and were assigned to training at the Willows Barracks and formed the 48th Battalion of the Canadian Army. That summer they boarded a ship in Victoria and sailed through the Panama, stopping at Royal Navy bases in Kingston, Jamaica and Bermuda and finally landing in Plymouth, England.

They encamped on the Salisbury Plain and underwent further training.

The 48th never went into battles as a unit.

Due to severe casualties in the Canadian 1st Division, suffered especially during the first gas attacks at the battle of Second Ypres, some of the battalion, 1 and 2 companies, were sent to France

as replenishments in the fall of 1915, while 3 and 4 companies were kept in Britain and put to work harvesting timber that was sent to the front. Jesse was in 3rd company.

The 3rd and 4th companies were assigned, I believe, to the Edmontons in early 1916 and became part of the 3rd Canadian "Pioneers" Division.

Their first assignment on their first night in battle in France was to restore communication trenches to the front line trench.

These trenches had been severely damaged by artillery and as a result it was difficult to get supplies to the front line.

Jesse's platoon had no sooner gotten out into No Man's Land in the dark when the enemy lit up the area with starshells and in the brilliance they swept the area with machine gun fire. Jesse and his best friend spotted a nearby bomb crater and they jumped into this for cover.

The shelling went on for hours. Jesse's pal decided they would try to get back to the Canadian line. Jesse felt it was safer to stay put "below the horizon." In a brief lull his pal got up and made a run for it in the dark. He had only a few seconds before the next starshells illuminated the field.

To his horror Jesse saw his friend 30 feet away tangled in barb wire. Worse still, he saw him cut in half by machine-gun fire.

JESSE BOND continued on B3

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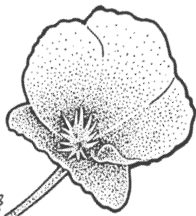
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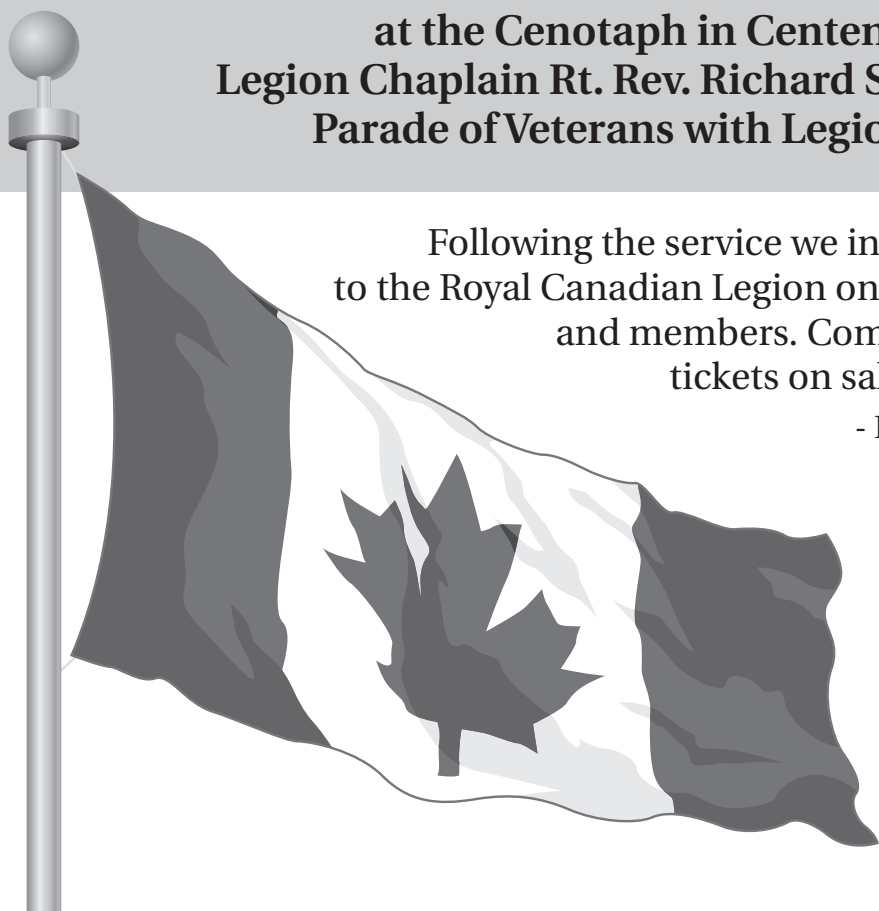
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Emotion remained for survivors

JESSE BOND
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Jesse stayed put. He was sure his end had come. He said, "I decided to take as many Germans as I could before they got me." The 21-year-old from Salt Spring Island took his Ross rifle apart, cleaned it, put it together and waited for the end. Then he realized he was alone and in the shock and confusion as well as the pitch-black night he also realized that he was lost. He did not know where the Canadian jump off point was.

He didn't dare light a match to check his compass for direction, so he just stayed put. Then for what seemed like forever, the shelling stopped. And a little while later the faint glow of sunrise in the eastern sky gave him the clue he needed to get back to his base. He crawled out and was soon "safe."

At muster that morning, only two men in the platoon of 30 were unharmed. The rest were either dead or wounded in No Man's Land. Jesse recalled, "For the next three or four days I was in a daze, doing my duties much like a robot . . . I thought the odds of surviving were small."

After six months of front line action, Jesse



From left, Jesse Bond, with friends Ian Halley, Dun Halley and Bill Evans in Bull-ock's Lake, 1913. Bond and Ian Halley volunteered to serve in WWI.

got a lucky break, which "I think saved my life." While stretcher bearing one day, he found himself at a medical clearing station right next to the officer's mess about 800 metres behind the front. An officer came out and asked, "Can any of you fellows cook?" Jesse's hand went up. He had learned to cook at Mr. Bullock's on Salt Spring before the war. The officer said, "Private, you're to stay here and cook." Jesse said, "One of the rules in the army was to follow the last order."

He didn't know that his predecessor had been killed by an incoming shell the previous night, but it was still a lot safer than assaulting machine guns.

Six months later he was transferred to the Light Railway. It was there he met a future life-long friend. After Vimy Ridge, a group of soldiers were sitting around in the sunshine looking out over the Douai Plain from the top of the ridge. To this one fellow with a Scottish accent he said, "Where are you from?"

The fellow replied, "West Coast."

Jesse said, "I'm from the West Coast. Where on the coast are you from?"

The fellow replied "Ach, it's a little island ou' there. You'd never know it."

Jesse looked at him and asked, "You didn't play football for the Pender Island team?"

were the spearhead of the Allied attacks in the "blackest 100 days," as German General Ludendorff proclaimed. They were the first Allied troops to break through the German lines and into open country.

Jesse and his pals were proud of their achievements, but emotion never left the voices of these old men at their reunions. They were the survivors of the world's worst cataclysm to date.

They had left 65,000 of their countrymen buried in France and Flanders or on the high seas. In the words of Kipling, "His name liveth forever more."

They suddenly realized they had something in common. The man was Jimmy Bradley, whose descendants still live on Pender and Salt Spring. Jesse and Jimmy visited back and forth for years.

There are more stories to tell. At reunions in the 1960s, which were father and son get-togethers in Victoria, the vets would reminisce: "Paschendaale was the worst"; Aug. 8, 1918 was a day Dad never forgot. Every year he would get up and proclaim "Aug. 8, today is Amiens day. It's the day we broke the German line."

The Canadians had come of age. They had finally become the "Storm Troopers" of the British Empire. They



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WORLD WAR II

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A boy's memory of World War II

The following piece was submitted by Robert O'Neill of Salt Spring Island, describing his experiences as a child during World War II in England.

World War II started on Sept. 3, 1939. Robert was just past his 10th birthday, born June 6, 1929. The children of Great Britain's major cities were evacuated from Acton, London to the southern coastal area of Dorset to a village named Chickerall, where Robert was to live for close to three years.

But village life was far different from the crowded populace of Good Old London Town. He was also to be caned in front of the other school children to learn a lesson for "scrumping" apples. So the previous night he had packed a small bag with food and tied it to the end of a stick, just like the hobos did. Then early the next day he walked the three miles to Weymouth railway station. There he purchased a one-penny platform ticket, boarded the train discreetly and locked himself in the toilet. The sign said "Occupied" for the next three hours.

Arriving in London, he waited until the passengers alighted, then went down onto the platform and made for the exit where he was approached by a tall policeman in the characteristic Bobbies' tall hat.

"Just a moment there son," the policeman said. "Where do you think you're going?"

Robert showed him his platform ticket and answered, "Going home!"

"So, where is home," he asked.

"Why, here in London of course!" said Robert.

The policeman examined the ticket. "So you think you are in London then?"

Robert replied in the affirmative.

"Can you read then?" he was asked. "If so, then read that sign!" He pointed to the other side of the tracks to the opposite platform.

"Temple Meads," Robert read out for him.

"So where is that then?" questioned the Bobbie.

"Why in London, of course," was the reply.

"Well my lad, you had better come with me, for you're in Bristol."

Robert had not noticed that in the station of Weymouth were two trains side by side — one going east to Lon-

don, scheduled to leave at 0900, while the west-bound train was due out to Bristol at 0855. So arriving at the Bristol Police Headquarters he was taken down to the below ground cells, then given a soft mattress for the hard bunk bed, while the cell door was left open. The same policeman then informed Robert he was to be taken next morning back to his foster parents. Meanwhile he was told to get some sleep after he was brought some food and goodies, for there was the annual police ball that evening.

"You'll be all right, so get some sleep and we will drive you back bright and early."

That night, although Robert did not hear a thing since the cell was below ground level, there was a massive blitz on Bristol, for the Bristol Channel was also the assembly area for convoys to and from North America and Canada, with food and war supplies. The first wave of the German Luftwaffe was to level the area close to the police headquarters and the Bristol Cathedral, leaving them as markers for the next wave of heavier bombers to bomb the ships assembled in the Bristol Sound.

Next morning little did Robert know that all around him had been attacked and levelled. The constable who had brought him there said they could not get him back for a while, as all the roads to the outskirts and back to Weymouth had been blocked with wreckage and had to be first cleared and that would take a few days. Meanwhile, he was to accompany him, on the back of his horse, since they could not get cars on the roads.

So Robert had the unusual experience for the next three days of riding with him while he toured and policed the area, prior to driving him back to the Chickerall village.

On the fourth morning, Robert was driven the four-hour journey back to his foster parents. They welcomed him back and the next day he returned to school.

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He was not caned and the principal was cordial and welcomed him back to join the other school children who all believed he had been through a rough experience. He was, in fact, the hero of the day for the adventure he had undergone.

The foster family gave him all the attention he needed and he settled back into the life of the village community. He no longer scrumped apples, but helped to harvest them, so all could enjoy them, particularly since there was a rationing system and food in any form was important. Merchant ships coming with foods from outside the UK were often sunk by German U-boats, even if in a protected convoy.

After three years in the country he returned to London and shortly after enrolled at the

Acton Technical College, until his 15th year, when the war came to an end. When he began his working and professional life, he became an apprenticed airframes fitter at the RAF Halton Camp in Buckinghamshire. He later became a navigator and trained in what was then Southern Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe.

He had seen, during the war, what the Germans could do with their Junker 88 bombers and had watched the Battle of Britain unfold at close range. Many of these battles were conducted over their heads, for Portland Harbour was just four miles distant and was a dock for British submarines and naval shipping.

The Stuka dive bombers actually started their almost-vertical dives over the village. Once, a German bomber, trying to get back across the English Channel after receiving anti-aircraft fire and being hit, crashed in the fields nearby. Robert and other children went to view the scene where the army soldiers had removed the burnt bodies from the wreckage, the first time in his life he was to see actual dead and burnt corpses.

War was not a pleasant thing to witness. Some village houses were also destroyed and civilian casualties resulted. When he did return to London he saw too the wreckage and damage to his home city. Later, he also experienced the German "Doodle Bugs," a rocket-propelled, unmanned, flying bomb, and the V2 rockets that could not be shot down, as they plummeted in from high above British cities to inflict major damage to civil populations.

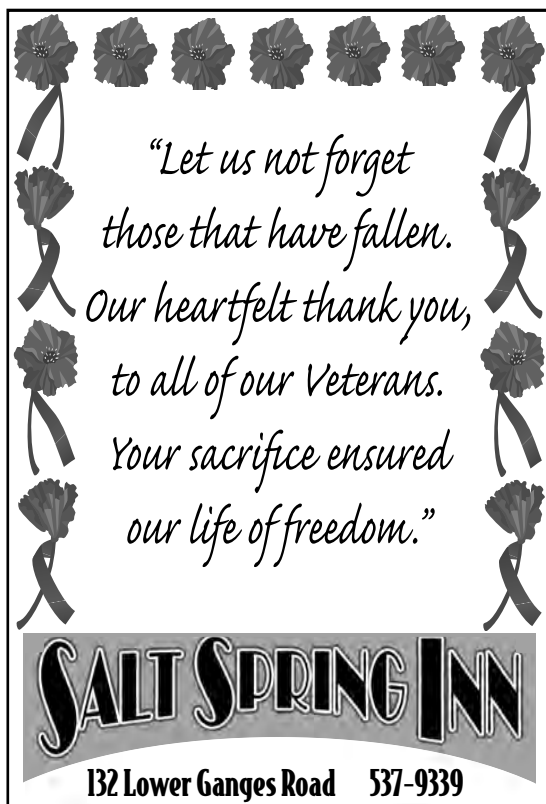
The adventure that war promised in his younger years was now a stark reality. The toll increased and by the war's end in 1945 over 57 million lives had been sacrificed to bring about its termination.



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Islander recommends visit to Canadian War Museum

BY JANE HORSBURGH
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Until the Canadian War Museum opened its doors in 2006 on LeBreton Flats, an unremarkable piece of ground west of and below Parliament Hill, Canada had no war museum worthy of its fighting forces. Now it does.

From the hill above, the building appears to be built into the ground, having a grass sod roof. While the 10,684 square metres of this roof assist the energy efficiency of the building, it also replicates the living hell of life in trenches in the First World War. Inside, all the wars that Canada has ever fought, from earliest times long before Canada was even thought of as a country, through to Canada's outstanding peacekeeping role, are depicted in panoramas with weaponry, tactics, winners, losers, all movingly portrayed.

More remarkable than the exhibits is the building itself, designed by Raymond Moriyama, who said, "While nature may be ravaged by human acts of war, it inevitably survives,



PHOTO BY JANE HORSBURGH

The Canadian War Museum is worth visiting in Ottawa.

generates and renews itself." It is a place of regeneration, of contemplation and above all of remembrance. Remembrance comes with aching clarity when a visitor enters the Memorial Hall. A narrowing, high concrete wall with sloping sides and floor leads via a small entrance to a stark room. One window high up on one wall lights the plain concrete walls; a quiet pool lies below. There is one stone bench. And on the wall opposite the window, lower down but in line with it, is affixed the tombstone of the Unknown Soldier who was brought home from France a few years ago. The Unknown Soldier himself lies in a grave just below the War Memorial on Elgin Street in Ottawa. But his gravestone is here

in the War Museum and this quiet room honours him and his fellow soldiers and is a place of comfort for the living who come to remember the beloved dead. For on Nov. 11, if the sun is shining, a beam through that window will travel across the floor and up the opposite wall to light the tombstone at exactly 11 a.m.

Remembrance and hope are everywhere. In Regeneration Hall, a visitor descends the stairs to be surrounded by replicas of all the statues that grace the Vimy Memorial in France. There are no finished walls here, just bare steel girders that rise and twist upward and inward to resemble a blasted cathedral. At the end is a long window, slanted not straight, and when you climb the stairs again

up from the ruined cathedral and turn to look through the window, what greets you is the Peace Tower. Inside is a constant humming and sighing — the

wind in the steel — and beyond there is hope, the symbol of the Peace Tower and all it represents for Canada.

A third unforgettable image is the stark wall of what appear to be small windows set into the pointed wall. They are not strange to anyone who knows Morse Code for they read in English and French: "Lest We Forget."

Canada waited long for a worthy museum to honour its forces. This stunning and unforgettable building is a remarkable addition to our heritage. If Canada's military history matters to you, go to Ottawa and visit the museum.

Seen left to right are Lawrence McFadden, Antony Hedger, Millard Cantrill and William McFadden.

Laurie Hedger (baby), Agnes Hedger and Alan Hedger.

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Wed. Nov. 4

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Music, The Memories. Music and Munch at All Saints church. Songs and poetry to commemorate Remembrance Day. 12:10 p.m.

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.
Swing Dance Class. For beginners. Every Wednesday at Mahon Hall, 7 to 9 p.m., until Nov. 18.
Pleasure Craft Operator Card Courses. Prepare for your PCOC test with Auxiliary Unit 25. Room S107 at GISS. 2:30-6 p.m. Info/registration: Tom McKeachie, tymck@telus.net or 250-537-5637.

Thurs. Nov. 5

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Geoff Horrocks & Patti Lamoureux. Fiddle champion and piano house concert, fundraiser for fiddle camp bursaries. 175 Kanaka Rd. 8 p.m.
Light & Metal. MovEnt & Tara Cheyenne Dance team up for an exciting double bill of new dance. ArtSpring. With curtain raisers The Lobby Dancers. 8 p.m.
Stack Sisters with Andy Hickman. Blues at Moby's. 8-11 p.m.
Open Mic. Hosted by Stephanie Rhodes at The Local. 8 p.m.
Fulford Open Mike Night. With Dale and Dave at the Fulford Inn on Thursdays.

ACTIVITIES

Painting Classes. Watercolour & Acrylics with Val Konig run Thursdays through Dec. 10 at 218 Byron Rd. Time negotiable. Info: Val Konig, 250-537-4660 or vkonig@telus.net.
Climbing Wall. Open on Thursdays and Sundays behind Community Services. 6:30-9 p.m. Info: 250-537-8970.
Bingo. Meaden Hall. 7 p.m. Early bird games at 6:30.

Fri. Nov. 6

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Having Hope at Home. SS Community Theatre comedy at Mahon Hall. 8 p.m.
Clinton Fearon. Jamaican roots reggae legend plays acoustic concert at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.
Alan Miceli. Guitarist performs at Harbour House Hotel. 7:30-10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Library StoryTime: G is for Green. Listen to "White is the Moon" and other surprises as Erin explores colour. For children in early grades and preschoolers. 1 p.m. at the library.
Griefwalker. NFB film screening with Stephen Jenkinson. United Church. 7 p.m.
Elements of Magic Workshop. First session in weekend workshop begins. Info: farmboy@uvic.ca/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. Nov. 7

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Having Hope at Home. SS Community Theatre comedy at Mahon Hall. 8 p.m.
Turandot (The Met Live in HD). Met Opera production of director Franco Zeffirelli's production of Puccini's last opera. ArtSpring. 10 a.m.
Hommage. American jazz and classical pianist Chris Jarrett performs at All Saints. 7:30 p.m.
Jose Sanchez Cuban Party & Fundraiser. Benefit for Terralingua. Fulford Hall. 8 p.m.
Alan Moberg. Performs at Harbour House Hotel. 7:30-10 p.m.
Paxton Bachman. Moby's. 8-11 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Val Haigh Book Signing. Salt Spring author signs copies of *Tryste* and *The Sea* at Salt Spring Books. 10:30 a.m.
Greenwoods Eldercare Societies' Christmas Craft Sale. First annual sale at Braehaven. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
End of Money & Future of Civilization. Talk and book signing with author Thomas Greco. Central Hall. 2 p.m.
How It All Could Be. Study group teaching with Stephen Jenkinson. 380 Wright Rd. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register: Kaz. 250-537-1643.

Sun. Nov. 08

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

QuintEssential. Jazz at Moby's. 7-10 p.m.
The Barley Brothers. Still alive and un-plugged. Every Sunday at the Fulford Inn. 6:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Cougar Annie Revisited. Song & slide presentation by Katrina Kadoski. Lions Hall. 7:30 p.m.
Making a Village Whole. Study group teaching with Stephen Jenkinson. 380 Wright Rd. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Register: Kaz. 250-537-1643.
Self Care for Colds and Flu. Presented by homeopaths Karin Beviere and Tami Dos Santos. Arbutus Therapy Centre. 2 p.m. Register: Tami, 250-537-4728, ext. 1.
Salt Spring Badminton Club. Sundays for age 12 and up at GISS gym. 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Climbing Wall. Open Thursdays and Sundays at Community Services. 6:30-9 p.m.

Mon. Nov. 09

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Connie Kaldor. Salt Spring Folk Club performer, with opening act KC Kelly and Sandi Proffitt. Fulford Hall, 7 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

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.

Tues. Nov. 10

ACTIVITIES

Taoist Ti Chi. New beginner class at All Saints on Tuesdays. 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Wed. Nov. 11

ACTIVITIES

Remembrance Day at the Legion. Pancake breakfast, 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Meat draw at 2 p.m.
Remembrance Day Ceremony. 10:45 a.m. at Centennial Park.
Clarity & Radiance, Pt. II SSI Painters Guild workshop with Suzanne Pendergast. ArtSpring, 9 a.m. to noon. See www.sspaintersguild.com for details.
Let's We Forget: Canada's War in Afghanistan. Salt Spring resident Michael Byers speaks on the mission in Afghanistan and why it has failed. Lions Hall. 4 p.m.
Swing Dance Class. See last Wednesday's listing.

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- 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.
 - Salt Spring Artists' Gallery of Fine Art is now open at 135 McPhillips Avenue.
 - 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.

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OLYMPIC ART:

Finn Hughes gets into the Olympic spirit with a little face paint as he — and many others — participate in an Olympic torch party held Saturday in Centennial Park. The event coincided with the arrival of the Olympic torch in Ganges.

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Terralingua fundraiser all set to make community-to-community exchange

Cuban dance party helps bring group close to goal

BY LUISA MAFFI
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

A fun evening of hot Cuban rhythm and dance with the Jose Sanchez Cuban Party — plus enticing traditional Mexican food and a silent auction of about 50 items generously donated by local businesses and individuals — aims to make a unique community-to-community exchange a reality on Saturday, Nov. 7 at Fulford Hall.

Press material explains that Terralingua, an international non-profit group based on Salt Spring, has been working worldwide for nearly 15 years to help preserve and protect the diversity of life in both nature and culture. Since 2000, the organization has developed a partnership with the Rarámuri people, an indigenous community in northern Mexico. The Rarámuri have lived for many centuries in their ancestral lands in the Sierra Tarahumara of the State of Chihuahua. Their livelihoods and their way of life are now threatened by logging, mining, ranching and other development activities that have caused serious environmental degradation in the region

and social disruption in their communities. Soil depletion and loss of water resources are putting their food sources at risk, and younger people are leaving their communities in search of other ways to sustain their families. To make things worse, climate change is hitting their region hard. The elders are worried that all these changes will lead to the loss of Rarámuri culture, language and identity.

A Terralingua team has been working with the Rarámuri to support their efforts to recover the health of their landscape and the well-being of their people. At the Rarámuri's request, the initial focus of Terralingua's work was on bringing drinking water to their homes, creating tree nurseries and home gardens, and assessing their health and nutritional status. Now the Rarámuri have expressed a desire for assistance with realizing their dream of an alternative education curriculum centered on Rarámuri language and culture. They also wish to continue to build capacity to restore a thriving agriculture and a healthy landscape in their communities. A group of Rarámuri is eager to visit our island in the spring of 2010, to work with the Terralingua team on the educational curriculum and to learn more about

ecosystem health, permaculture, ecoforestry and other sustainable practices. This visit will also offer a unique opportunity for an intercultural exchange and mutual learning experience with the Salt Spring community.

Terralingua has been fundraising since November 2008 to make this visit possible. Thanks to the generosity of Salt Spring Islanders and of Terralingua members, the fundraising effort is about two thirds complete. Terralingua is deeply thankful to all those who have contributed so far, and particularly to the Ometepe-Gulf Islands Friendship Association group for its exceptionally generous donation. OGIFA members as well as a number of GISS students have also offered to be on hand to help with the upcoming fundraiser, which is expected to bring this fundraising effort to a close.

The Nov. 7 event starts at 8 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and people can come in early for a free salsa class.

The silent auction will feature items offered by Antonio Alonso, Salt Spring Soapworks, Blossom Botanicals, Alvaro Sanchez, Coco Loco, Andrea Sanchez Aguila, David Rapport and Luisa Maffi, Rainbow Trading, Nature in Form by Daniel Flores,

Dawne Fennell and Don Monteith, Salt Spring Adventure Co., Foxglove, Country Grocer and Fables Cottage, among others. The auction will also include a small selection of Rarámuri handcrafts.

Tickets, \$20, are for sale at Acoustic Planet Music and Salt Spring Books. They will also be

available at the door.

For more information, interested people can call 250-538-0939, or e-mail taguila@terralingua.org. People can also donate on Terralingua's website (www.terralingua.org), where they can find additional information about Terralingua and its work with the Rarámuri.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Youth gathering highlights peaceful hearts, creativity

Mayne and Pender children join Peace Works! event for first time

BY CHERIE GEAUVREAU
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

Amidst all the busyness, stresses, conflicts and conundrums we islanders are subject to, there are often small miracles and synchronicities of joy unfolding behind the scenes that serve to lift the spirits and give future hope to those lucky enough to be there to participate.

Such an event occurred on Oct. 17 at the Pondome behind Salt Spring Centre of Yoga. It may seem like old news now that November is upon us, but it has taken some time for us at Peace Works! to absorb the meaning and beneficial effects of the annual Children and Youth Peace Assembly.

Attending were classes from Salt Spring Centre School, Fernwood, Fulford and Salt Spring elementaries, Global Awareness representatives from GISS, Raging "Peace Activists" Grannies and, for the first time, children from Mayne and Pender islands.

The circle opened with a warm welcome, a call for peace and an invitation to have a good time.

The Fernwood choir began with a song called Deep Peace asking for peace and understanding.

Oona McOuat led Salt Spring Centre School and the Fernwood choir in a co-performance of songs about love of nature and of each other.

Two classes came from Fulford. One brought a colour-

fully painted map of Salt Spring Island. Circling the island were all the things about Salt Spring that the children were grateful for, such as "natural," "amazing," "playful" and "friendly."

The other class performed a tender and moving rendition of The Rainbow Connection, from Kermit the Frog. By this time, there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

The Raging Grannies gave us three songs of conscious encouragement.

The class from Salt Spring Elementary spoke out their wishes for peace. No more pollution, no more wars, poignant wishes to get along better with sisters and brothers, wishes for the end of disease and poverty.

At this point we all reached up as far as we could to grab our own wishes for peace and all at once we planted those wishes deep in our hearts.

Now, when we say "I love you" to a friend or pat someone on the back or smile at a stranger, we are ending war and spreading peace.

Children are teaching us to start peace here at home. The three young women from GISS' Global Awareness group told us of their wonderful work raising money so that children in Africa can go to school, something we take for granted.

At last, for indeed the ferry was late, the children and adults from the outer islands arrived. Each child from Mayne had created a beautiful symbolic mandala to express their feelings about peace. Many oohs and ahs followed their course around the circle.

The children and adults from Pender sang, and we joined in Where Have All the Flowers

Gone?, because war is still a reality on Earth.

We closed with the Painted Peace Stick.

The stick is painted all the colours of all the flags of all the nations, regions, territories and paradise islands of the world and therefore symbolically represents everybody.

Each child from Mayne

had created a beautiful

symbolic mandala to

express their feelings

about peace.

Peace Works! asked everyone to stand up for peace and hold their breath while the facilitator tried to stand the stick up so that it stood on its own.

No luck. The floor was shaking, the facilitators' hands were shaking, others offered to help — and then the call went out.

Anyone have a piece of gum? Silence, then: "I do." And in less time than it takes to sign a peace treaty, the Peace Stick stood proudly on its own, proving that getting to peace needs cooperation and innovation. Everyone cheered and clapped their hands.

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Patti Lamoureux will be joined by Ottawa native Geoff Horrocks on piano and voice for a fun and vibrant concert to raise funds for the Vancouver Island Fiddle Camp Bursary Fund.

It begins at 8 p.m. at Zav RT's straw bale house at 175 Kanaka Road (behind the high school), in Ganges. The suggested donation for tickets is \$15 to \$20.

People should e-mail zav@zavrt.com to reserve a seat, or leave a message at 250-538-1919.

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LANTERN FEST: Kip, Raphael, Nayah and Budai Sprungman join the Tales from Beyond the Veil lantern parade as it winds through Ganges on Halloween.

CONCERTS

Legend headlines folk show

Connie Kaldor back by popular demand

A legendary performer whose music reflects her early life on the Canadian prairies will appear on Salt Spring for the next installment of the folk club at Fulford Hall on Monday, Nov. 9.

For close to three decades, Connie Kaldor has entertained audiences with original songs that contain elements of gospel, rock, country and western, folk, bluegrass and adult contemporary. She's also recorded music for children, for which she has won Juno Awards in 1989, 2004 and 2005.

Born in Regina in 1953, Kaldor sang in the church choir every Sunday and grew up listening to Patsy Cline and the Beatles. She performed at the Regina Folk Festival as a teenager, but went on to study theatre in university. After four years performing with an avante garde theatre troupe in Toronto, she returned to music as her life's focus.

According to Kaldor's official website, in 1979 "she experienced an epiphany. She loved theatre but could live without it. She could not imagine living without making music."

Kaldor then "packed her suit-

case full of theatrical wisdom and independent spirit and set out to blaze a trail on the Canadian folk music scene.

"In a time when a female singer and songwriter was a rare bird indeed, Connie sang solo and played guitar and piano. She spoke directly to her audience, breaking down the wall that often separates spectator from performer with a seamless combination of musical skill and repartee," her website states.

Dressed in leather skirts and cowgirl boots, Kaldor was part of a wave of Canadian talent, along with Stan Rogers, Ferron, Heather Bishop, Valdy, Roy Forbes and Stringband, that was forging a distinctly Canadian sound.

Kaldor has toured India, China, Europe and the United States and has appeared at most major concert venues in Canada. She has shared the stage with artists including Shawn Colvin, Sylvia Tyson, the Chieftains, Daniel Lanois and Tracy Chapman.

With her theatrical training, Kaldor's stage performances are known as much for her engaging personality and keen sense of humour that emerges between songs as for her skilled musicianship.

Her dedicated fan base includes other folk musicians

and critics as well as music lovers everywhere.

"Connie's a great performer," Canadian folk music matriarch Sylvia Tyson (of the '60s with duo Ian & Sylvia) is quoted in Billboard Magazine. "She's had acting training, and she really puts drama into her performances. She also has a wicked sense of humour."

"She's tough and she's tender. She sings with love and with anger . . . indecently talented," says the Toronto Star.

The Boston Globe has called Kaldor a "masterful performer, wildly funny one moment, deeply personal the next."

Opening for Kaldor are local musicians KC Kelly and Sandy Proffitt. Proffitt's sultry vocals combine with Kelly's steel slide guitar for an authentic blues sound that consistently delights audiences.

Reviews of Kelly's 2009 release, Wild Care, have called him "a fabulous blues musician...a highlight and definitely a crowd favourite" and "a bluesman with a delta feel . . . a consummate songwriter as well as instrumentalist."

Doors open at 6:15 and the show starts at 7 p.m.

Kaldor was invited back to the Salt Spring Folk Club by popular audience demand following her previous shows here.

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WEST COAST CULTURE

Cougar Annie revisited

Music, story and slides at Lions Hall event

The legendary Cougar Annie will be brought to life on Sunday, Nov. 8 at Lions Hall as Katrina Kadoski brings her original songs, stories to the island.

As caretaker at Cougar Annie's Garden, in its spectacular setting of coastal rainforest in Clayoquot Sound, Kadoski has in many ways inhabited the persona of Cougar Annie since she arrived there two and a half years ago.

"She has been living on the land in a way similar to Annie, and has a personal connection to what it might have felt like to be a young woman, on the land, with all the work, in all kinds of weather," states press material. "Her show will provide a deeper sense of both the land and the pioneers who lived there."

The stories of Cougar Annie, who survived in the wilderness by her wily ways, having arrived on these forbidding shores almost 100 years ago, have been the subject of a huge repository of folklore. Kadoski has drawn upon many sources as she composed her more than 30 songs and narrative about this colourful character and her unconventional life.

Having won a Rotary Music youth vocalist scholarship at age 9, she has since become a skilled guitarist and songwriter, and has studied piano and banjo to accompany many years of vocal training in jazz, musical theatre, opera and more. Her voice has been described as powerful, sweet and unapologetic.

Her debut CD of orig-

inal songs, Whirlpools, was recorded in Calgary and released independently in 1998. She has since performed in Canada, the USA, Ireland and England.

Kadoski will be accompanied by Hugh Fisher on guitar and back-up vocals. Fisher's music career has spanned 35 years in which he has played in many bands from acoustic folk to big band swing jazz and worked with many creative artists on original music, playing New York's famed New Music Seminar in 1989 and CBC's Brave New

Waves with 3 O'Clock Train. Fisher released his debut CD of original songs — Civil Tongue — in 1999 and is working with Kadoski toward producing a new CD of their Cougar Annie tales and pioneer ballads in early 2010.

Cougar Annie's Garden is now owned by the charitable organization Boat Basin Foundation — www.boatbasin.org. The foundation works to maintain the heritage site where Ada Annie Rae-Arthur (Cougar Annie) eked out an existence for herself and her family, and steward the sur-

rounding 177 acres of remote west coast forest that has become the site of an educational retreat facility.

As well as drawing from her original songs on this topic, Kadoski will show a series of slides, both new and old, of the area, accompanied by narrative drawn from her considerable research on the area and Cougar Annie.

Doors for the Nov. 8 show open at 7 p.m. with the performance at 7:30.

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Talking with Patricia Reichert, Coordinator of Growing up Organic - a project of Island Natural Growers

WHY WAS THE ISLAND NATURAL GROWERS (ING) ORGANIZATION CREATED AND WHAT IS IT?

The ING is a group of farmers who come together to support each other in the interest of local food production. It's a diverse membership, consisting of farmers committed to organic practices and people interested in supporting local farmers. It started about twenty years ago by a small group of certified growers and has grown to about 65 members. We are a branch of the national organization, Canadian National Growers.

WHAT IS ING ACTIVELY DOING ON SALT SPRING NOW?

Growing Up Organic is a large project that arose from the National organization wanting to help communities develop a distribution structure and generate more interest in eating organic food. Our objective is to get more organic food into institutions - we're doing this already with the high school and Meadowbrook.

One of the key initiatives in our island's Area Farm Plan was to develop a food distribution system, storage facilities, value-added processing, and preserving. Many people don't realize how difficult it is to build a distribution system, not just here but Canada wide. Imported foods, on the other hand, have a huge, organized infrastructure at great cost to us and our environment.

Seedy Saturday is a very important annual event that emphasizes seed saving and exchange. People are coming to understand that the diversity of our seeds is being threatened by multi-national companies controlling and patenting seed production.

Education/Outreach - workshops such as "Farm Food Safety" and "Breaking New Ground" are open to everyone throughout the year.

Tuesday Market in the Park - every week in the summer in the United Church park people can shop for local produce.

WHAT IS ING'S RELATIONSHIP WITH FARMERS AND RESTAURANTS?

We're trying to create a link between them, to make it easier and more efficient for them to connect. Both the farmers and the restaurant owners are busy so we want to create a central point where deliveries can happen at the same time. Whatever we set up has to be sustainable. Right now, we provide a list to the restaurants with what produce is available on Salt Spring, and, in turn, restaurants have access to fresh, high quality ingredients.

WHY SHOULD SALT SPRINGERS CARE ABOUT ING INITIATIVES?

Food security affects everyone. If we ask the questions: what is the quality of the food we eat? Do we have enough to provide for this community? What damage is entailed by importing food from all over the world? The answers are dismal. Salt Spring Island is not sustainable right now... but it has great possibilities because much of the land is currently not being farmed.

Our focal point in the community is addressing, educating, and taking action on these issues. We have some really good growers on this island, and they need moral and organizational support. People have high expectations of farmers and don't know what needs to be done to farm well. If the community places value on farming, then farmers have the hope and desire to increase their yields - which moves us toward sustainability.

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- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp powdered ginger
- 1/2 tsp powdered cloves
- 1/4 tsp fresh grated nutmeg

Combine all ingredients in a blender at high speed & blend 3-4 minutes. Beating air into the ingredients will make the filling velvety and light like a custard. Pour filling into an unbaked pie shell (place pie dish on cookie sheet to avoid spills). Bake at 425 degrees for 15 minutes. Turn the oven down to 350 degrees for 45 min. to an hour longer or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Lightly cover the crust with foil if the crust is getting too dark. Cool on a wire rack.

PIE DOUGH

- 1 cup unbleached white flour (1/2 white, 1/2 pastry works well)
- tiny pinch of salt
- normal pinch or two of sugar (optional)
- 1/3 cup frozen, grated, unsalted butter
- 4-6 tbsp. ice water

Sift together flour, salt, & sugar. In a medium bowl, grate the butter and pour the sifted ingredients on top. Blend with a pastry cutter. Add 4-5 tbsp. of ice water and mix with a fork until the dough starts to come together. Add a little water to the flour and butter that is not mixed together at the bottom of the bowl and mix together with the rest of the dough. Pat into a disk shape. Wrap in plastic wrap and place in fridge for 15 minutes to 1/2 hour before rolling out.

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In a program named Hommage, Jarrett will present music written in honour of great composers like Scriabin, Byrd and Mozart, as well as other original compositions.

Press material for the event states that Jarrett's music does not specifically target either lovers of classical music or jazz. His listeners are the centre of his live performances and he wants to excite them, provoke thoughts in them and communicate with them.

Jarrett mixes all the styles between classical and jazz, revealing their contents through exciting contrast. He combines the love for forms of development with jazz energy.

Jarrett's music derives from an urge to communicate, with outcomes as diverse as his ideas. The spectrum of his expression is wide: wild, rhythmical, ironic, epic, melancholic, bizarre, mystical and jazzy. Since he started his career in Germany in 1985, he has signed operas, oratorios, ballet music, symphonic pieces, music for film and theater and numerous piano compositions. Today, one of his most appreciated projects is Battleship Potemkin, where he performs live a piano score he composed for Sergei Eisenstein's famous silent movie.

Jarrett has recorded nine CDs and has performed all over the world. In 2005 he created a piece written especially for performance during the world championship in soccer in Germany. Viertelfinale (semifinal) for 11 strings and conductor/referee consists of motifs translating a soccer game (and not without humour) into the language of contemporary music.

"His music absorbs moods, feelings, passions



Chris Jarrett in concert Saturday.

and catastrophes and sets them directly to sound and all this in breathtaking tempo. His technique is grandiose!" says Kolner Stadtanzeiger of Germany.

Tickets to the concert are available at Salt Spring Books. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

For more information, visit www.chrisjarrett.com or www.artesmusic.org.

DANCE

Community dance project proposes to heal local waters

First workshop set for Nov. 13

BY MAGGIE SCHUBART
AND CAFFYN KELLEY
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Seonagh Odhiambo is a choreographer, professor of dance and, through her art, a skilled communicator. She is organizing a community dance project focused on healing the waters

of St. Mary Lake, with the cooperation of island groups such as the Gulf Islands School of Performing Arts program, the Lobby Dancers, Water Preservation Society, Land Trust Alliance, Waterbird Watch Collective and Islands Institute.

"I consider the creation of dance to be a 'contact zone,' which provides an opportunity for community building, research and education around issues," says Dr. Odhiambo.

"In this particular contact zone the community participants and I will explore stories about water. This will include research into the issue of contaminated water that affects Salt Spring Island, as well as various 'histories' — both personal and cultural — of water on the island. Histories derived from interviews and workshops with community participants are developed into movement through a process that brings together researchers and activists, dancers and non-dancers, young and old. Interested participants contribute to the creative process, learning to create movement that reflects meaning about the stories and themes. Often these processes lead the community to instigate further activism around an issue."

Local dancer Anna Haltrecht is taking a leading role in the project.

"When people can feel something on a visceral level, it has a major effect on their whole being," she said. "They then can have a whole new understanding of a challenging situ-

ation like the trouble St. Mary Lake is in. Their understanding then is not only coming from their intellect, from looking at graphs or reading reports. They experience something else, something without words, from watching dance, from performing dance, about healing the waters of St. Mary Lake."

Odhiambo is inspired by the work of Japanese researcher and best-selling author Dr. Masaru Emoto, whose work indicates that human thoughts directed at water can physically transform its structure.

Emoto finds that changes in water can be achieved through prayer, music, or by attaching written words to a container of water. So perhaps bringing artful attention and healing intent to St. Mary Lake can help to physically transform and heal the threatened water quality of this most important ecosystem.

Nov. 13 marks the date when Seonagh Odhiambo will be on Salt Spring with a movement development workshop for dancers and non-dancers. The project will evolve over the coming year, culminating with a grand presentation in June 2010.

Maggie Schubart and Caffyn Kelley are on the advisory council of the Islands Institute. The Islands Institute hosts an online space where people can explore the intersections of art, ecology and community, and gather thoughts, images and ideas for healing water. See www.islandsinstitute.com, or e-mail direc-

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PROFILE

Salt Spring man signing on for long-term assignment in Africa

The deepening road to Jamie Squier's overseas humanitarian work

BY PAT GOULD
 DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Jamie Squier led a privileged life as a schoolboy in Montreal in the 1950s: doting parents, summers at the family's lakeside home, private school education, all of which seemed an unlikely background for a future activist who later embraced a lifestyle very different from those early years.

That school, nonetheless, imbued lasting ideals in his impressionable young mind. He was taught early on that "he could participate; he could be socially responsible; he could make a difference."

Now 52, the self-described aging hippie (he says this with a grin) has the appearance and manner more of an academic than a placard-waving protester, yet both descriptions would be appropriate.

After finishing secondary school he attended Bishop's University in Lennoxville, majoring in



Jamie Squier, relaxing while on an MSF assignment.

economics. There he met his soon-to-be wife Jane, another "privileged," who was studying horticulture. They shared the same outlook — a fervent desire to make a difference, someplace where they could put their combined talents to work. Technical college followed Bishop's for courses in soil culture and hydroponic gardening. CUSO then provided the venue for their talents just one year after their marriage and birth of daughter Anna.

New Guinea was the assigned destination, not in the relatively

comfortable confines of Papua, but a remote mountain village where the spoken language was Pidgin English and where the word "primitive" took on a whole new meaning. Witchcraft and head-hunting were still practised, albeit the latter surreptitiously.

Jamie took over management of a fledgling coffee co-op. The beans, grown by the locals and hand picked were, he insists, the best in the world. Jane, meanwhile, addressed what she perceived as serious dietary shortcomings in the community. Each role met real needs, CUSO's mandate. Soon a small store was added to the co-op, providing tools, as well as sundry staples and foodstuffs such as protein-rich canned meats and fish — all at fair prices, which paid for storage facilities, transportation costs, etc. Profits were reinvested in the co-op.

Jamie rhapsodizes about their time in New Guinea. Anna thrived with playmates and the attention from the many grandmotherly village women. As for her parents, their work was demanding, if invariably rewarding. However, after two years and disturbing weight loss, they agreed it was time to return to Canada to regroup — this time to Calgary.

They settled into serious farming; growing vegetable crops, much of which they preserved. They raised hogs for meat and Angora goats

for wool, which Anna skilfully turned into wearing apparel. Jamie set to work to design and build a hydroponic garden, concentrating on lettuce, which soon became a viable business. They welcomed a second daughter, Julia, and two years later son Kipling joined the family.

In 1992 the family moved to Salt Spring Island, largely because of its temporal climate and farming opportunities. Participating in protests against logging of Texada Land Corporation on Salt Spring and Clayoquot Sound — hot-button issues — established their credentials as dedicated environmentalists. All these years later Jamie remains impassioned and eloquent on the subject of clear-cut logging and somewhat cynical about government responses. Political engagement, however — and perhaps regrettably — is not on his "to do" list.

The couple separated. (We leave it there, unquestioned.) Jamie speaks admiringly of his former wife and, though now divorced, they remain on friendly terms. Jane continued hydroponic lettuce gardening, an enterprise that flourishes on her Mansell Road property. Jamie bought a small lot on Long Harbour Road and began building a modest house for himself — confident in his carpentry smarts. It would, however, be a long while before it

could be said that the house was well and truly finished, due to a brief newspaper item about an upcoming Medicins sans Frontieres meeting in Vancouver.

The house tools were put aside. Over the next four years Jamie would spend time in nine different countries: Kashmir, Somalia, Niger, Chad, Congo, Sudan, Somalia, Kenya, with stays lasting from three to nine months. His administrative assignments — all related to logistics involved in establishing medical facilities — were varied: communications, transport, energy sources, water, sanitation.

Between assignments, he returned to Long Harbour Road and re-donned his carpenter's apron. Slowly the house neared finishing, but meanwhile was enough for his needs. He points out that what one would consider comfort necessities can change dramatically after months of living a third-world lifestyle. (I visited his house, briefly and was suitably impressed with the "less is more" edict.)

Four more years passed. By now the intrepid traveller was weary of the back and forth of short stays and was anxious to establish himself in a long-term project, doing his own thing. He spoke fondly of his time singing in a church choir during his Nairobi assignment with MSF. That church is still there and the choir would, he knows, welcome him back. And he recalled a B.C. acquaintance living in Kenya — now a man in his '80s — e-mailing about his work there and the immense satisfaction of being a listened-to, respected purveyor of advice. Jamie knows in Africa there is much need for everything, including advice.

As of this writing, the house rental is a done deal. Jamie knows where he's going, he knows what he's aiming to accomplish. He just doesn't know how long it will take.

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Community currency expert and author Thomas Greco will address these and other issues in a free community talk and book signing organized by the Salt Spring Island Monetary Foundation. The event is being held this Saturday, Nov. 7, 2 p.m. at Central Hall.

According to press material, Greco's latest book, *The End of Money and the Future of Civilization* (available at Salt Spring Books), demystifies money and banking systems.

It presents a new model for regional economic community development that will challenge assumptions about what money is and how we can take control of our collective economic future.

Greco is a community and monetary economist, educator and consultant.

A former tenured college teacher, he has for more than 30 years been studying and writing about ways to achieve greater harmony, equity and sustainability through business and economics.

As a recognized authority on monetary and financial innovation he has been invited to give presentations around the world.

Among other books and articles, he is also the author of *Money: Understanding and Creating Alternatives to Legal Tender* (2001), and *Money and Debt: A Solution to the Global Crisis* (1990).

He is also a featured speaker at the upcoming Economics of Peace Conference in Sonoma, CA on Nov. 18-23, along with Riane Eisler, David Korten, Vandana Shiva and others.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Salt Spring's Richard Murakami was named Citizen of the Year at the recent Chamber of Commerce awards.

The business of helping others

Murakami named Citizen of the Year

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Richard Murakami has a poem by Mother Theresa hanging on the wall of his Rainbow Road garage.

It speaks of hard work, modesty and dealing with adversity.

The words pretty much sum up Murakami's philosophy and character.

Perseverance helped him rebuild his life on the island after the federal government seized Japanese-Canadian owned assets during the Second World War.

Kindness and generosity have encouraged him to help other islanders overcome hardships of their own.

And success has helped him become a member of the island's business elite.

Of course, Murakami is way too modest to tell you any of that himself.

The panel of judges for this year's Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce Business Awards, however, aren't as predisposed to let the good deeds go unnoticed.

During a gala event at Salt Spring's Harbour House Hotel last month, the chamber awarded Murakami with the Citizen of the Year Award.

The distinguished prize is among nine awards provided

to island individuals and businesses in recognition of their contributions to various facets of island life.

The Citizen of the Year honour is given to the islander in recognition of his or her personal contributions on Salt Spring Island through volunteerism, building community spirit, advocacy and showing a continuing interest in the wellbeing of the island and its residents.

Fellow nominees for this year's award included such well-known islanders as Jeff Outerbridge, Bob Oudenaarden, Sue Mouat, Mafalda Hoogerdyk, Darin Craig, Harry Burton, Jim Spencer, Dorothy Cutting and George Sipos.

In an interview at his garage a few days after the awards ceremony, Murakami said he was shocked when he learned that he had received the award.

"Basically I just try to be as community minded as I can," he said. "I'm sure there's lots of other people who could've gotten it."

There's that modesty again.

Winning this year's award is the latest event in what has been a fairly eventful couple of years for Murakami.

Earlier in 2009, he was on hand for the official opening of the Heiwa Peace Park, a Japanese-style garden across from ArtSpring.

During the summer, Muraka-

mi and his sister Rose were invited to meet the emperor and empress of Japan at Government House in Victoria.

All this has taken place as Murakami continues to recover from a serious respiratory illness following a workplace accident in the spring.

Perhaps the greatest contribution Murakami has made during the past few years was the donation of land that cleared the way for the island's first significant affordable housing project.

Murakami Gardens on Rainbow Road represents the positive things that can be accomplished when individuals and government officials put their minds to something.

For Richard and Rose, it just felt like the natural way to thank islanders who helped them get re-established on the island following the Second World War.

"Our goal was to provide a quality, safe place to live for families and for people who could contribute to the positive welfare of Salt Spring Island," he said.

Murakami Gardens is but one among a series of community initiatives that include sponsoring sports teams, donating funds to student sports and supporting school fundraising campaigns.

As for what lies ahead for Murakami now that he's received the Citizen of the Year Award, "It's business as usual," he said.

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CHAMBER AWARDS

Agricultural/Farm Business of the Year: **Foxglove Farm**



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Michael, left, and his son Aaron Ableman at the Saturday market in 2007.

Foxglove Farm topped a list of three nominees for this year's Agricultural/Farm Business of the Year Award.

The award is presented to a company that shows consistent quality and excellence in its service and product.

Fellow nominees were the Salt Spring Island Cheese Company and Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply on Atkins Road.

Judges deemed the newly revital-

ized Foxglove Farm on Mt. Maxwell Road played an integral role as a supplier to other local agricultural operations and demonstrates an environmentally friendly focus within its operations and procedures

The 120-acre heritage farm is owned and operated by Michael Ableman and his family. The farm offers seasonal classes that focus on organic agriculture and sustainable lifestyles.

Market Vendor of the Year: **Alvaro Sanchez**

Vendor of the year Alvaro Sanchez beat out a wide variety of eclectic Saturday marketeers to earn the inaugural Market Vendor of the Year Award.

During his acceptance speech, Sanchez called the artisans, craftspeople and farmers who make up the Saturday Market an integral reason for Salt Spring's popularity with visitors.

"It's what makes the island what it is," he said, urging the chamber to do more to promote island artists.

Judges determined that Sanchez' Unusual Jewellery topped the list of nominees due to the business' inspiration to other market vendors.

To qualify for the award, nominees must be present for at least 20 of the 30 market Saturdays over the course of a year, make, bake or grow a superior product, and promote the market's co-operative and collaborative nature.

Fellow nominees



Alvaro Sanchez of Unusual Jewellery.

were Bite Me Treats, Knitwits. The award is sponsored by Salt Spring Island Cheese.

Business of the Year



From left, David Griffiths of Mouat's, Mickey McLeod and Chamber of Commerce manager Donna Powell.

Business of the Year (8+ employees): **Salt Spring Coffee Company**

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Year Award is awarded to the island-based business that demonstrates sound business practices, leadership, involvement in the community and exceptional employee relations.

During his acceptance speech, owner Mickey McLeod said he is honoured to receive the award and recognition from fellow business owners on the island.

He said he intends to keep working to strengthen

the company's island roots.

The chamber's panel of judges determined that the Salt Spring Coffee Company's level of community involvement, excellent business practices, commitment to safety, above-par customer service relations and great all-around working environment helped it top the category's seven other nominees.

Fellow nominees included Auntie Pesto's Cafe, Salt Spring Air, Salt Spring Island Cheese Company, Salt Spring Inn, Slegg Lumber, Thrifty Foods and TJ Beans.

The business of the year award is sponsored by Mouat's Trading.

Business Ambassador of the Year - **Salt Spring Air**

It was a tough contest, but this year's Business Ambassador of the Year Award was given to Salt Spring Air.

During the ceremony, co-owner and pilot St. Clair McColl spoke eloquently of the island he calls home and the pleasure he has had serving travellers since he started Salt Spring Air in 2003.

Working on Salt Spring, he said, has offered him a one-of-a-kind opportunity to work with and live among a wide array of folks who "probably wouldn't fit in anywhere else."

Judges determined that the airline has managed to attract positive attention and interest to Salt Spring Island through its product and service.

The winning business must actively sell its product on and beyond Salt Spring, develop interest in the "Salt Spring" brand and promote potential opportunities and quality of life on the island.

The Salt Spring Coffee Company was also nominated for the award.

The Business Ambassador of the Year Award is sponsored by Salt Spring Air.



Salt Spring Air co-owners, from left, St. Clair McColl and Philip Reece.



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CHAMBER AWARDS



Mickey McLeod

Green Business of the Year: Salt Spring Coffee Company

The Green Business of the Year Award represents one of two awards for the Salt Spring Coffee Company.

On an island where many businesses and individuals pride themselves on a commitment to environmentally friendly practices, the Salt Spring Coffee Company impressed judges with its ability to set a new green standard for local businesses.

Award winners must show judges that they practise water and energy conservation techniques, practise recycling, reducing and reusing in their daily business and make an effort to reduce their carbon footprint.

Fellow award nominees were Salt Spring Air and the Salt Spring Refund Centre. The award is sponsored by Islands Savings Credit Union.



From left, Zoe Cullen-Lahay and her mom Clare Cullen.

New Business of the Year: Gecko Green Living

Co-owner Clare Cullen received the 2009 New Business of the Year Award for her efforts to provide Salt Springers with a wide selection of environmentally friendly products.

The award is presented to an island business that has been in operation for no more than three years.

The winning nominee was selected because of its initial growth and success within the first three years of operation, new employment opportunities and future growth potential, as well as the company's sound employee relations and customer service. Gecko Green Living topped an impressive list of nominees that included the Market Place Café, Del Vecchio Pasta Fresca, Café Talia, Salt Spring Inn, Flow Day Spa, Bruce's Kitchen and Salt Spring Catering by Kelly. The award is sponsored by Thrifty Foods.



John Quesnel

Small Business of the Year (under 8 employees): Salt Spring Island Metal Recycling

John Quesnel, the owner of Salt Spring Island Metal Recycling, was as surprised as anyone to learn that he had won this year's Small Business of the Year Award.

"This is amazing," he said during the Oct. 22 awards ceremony at the Harbour House Hotel. "I wasn't expecting anything like this."

The award is presented to a small business operating on the island for at least three years. The company must demonstrate a high level of community involvement and make an effort to purchase supplies locally.

Judges determined that Salt Spring Metal Recycling stood out in a list of criteria that included having the owner present at the workplace during day-to-day operations, excellent customer service and a commitment to safety.

Fellow nominees were Angel Cottage Studio (Julie's Pantry), Del Vecchio Pasta Fresca, Fables Cottage, Gulf Islands Vet Clinic, Jana's Bake Shop, Meron Moroz Bookeeping, Dr. Lorraine Machell and Monsoon Coast. The award is sponsored by Island Star Video and TJ Beans.

Building or Construction Trades of the Year: Joe Toutant Construction Ltd.



Joe Toutant with his award.

One of two new awards offered at this year's event, the Building and Construction Trades Award is the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce's attempt to acknowledge the building sector's importance to the island's economy.

The award is presented to a building or construction trade business, including contractors, sub-trades, excavators or landscapers, that is based on the island. The winner must practise business exclusively on Salt Spring.

This year's winner is Joe Toutant Construction Ltd. Judges look for companies and business owners who offer a service or product when volunteering for a community project, make an effort to buy the majority of their supplies locally, have a reputation for quality workmanship, are registered with WCB and provide career growth or apprenticeship opportunities to employees.

Also nominated were Salt Spring Interiors (Brian Little), Wayne Michener Plumbing, Tuxedo Painting and Wallcovering (Wayne Repp) and Rick Andrews Excavating.

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NATURAL PHENOMENON

Hiker and mushroom fan shares gigantic prize

Wild discovery ends up at Bruce's Kitchen

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

For some people, finding a basketball-sized fungus resembling a yellow brain would make a walk in the woods turn into a nightmare. For hiker and semi-amateur mycologist Linda Quiring, the recent discovery of *Sparassis radicata* was reason to celebrate.

Quiring is a devoted member of Salt Spring's Trail and Nature Club and has been hiking on the island for 30 years. Her late October find was only the second Western cauliflower mushroom she's seen in that time.

"We're in the woods constantly, so this is quite rare," Quiring said.

According to the website mushroomexpert.com, the Western cauliflower mushroom is typically found under conifers, especially pines and Douglas firs.

"The physical appearance of *Sparassis radicata* is pretty much unmistakable and it is one of only a few mushrooms that can be successfully identified with comparison photos," the write-up states.

At 18 inches long by 12 in ches high, the mushroom was not only unmistakable but too big for the Quirings to eat, although Linda's husband Bill fried up a small section when they got home.

The rest was donated to Bruce's Kitchen, a restaurant devoted to serving local fare and one that Quiring's been known to gift with over-sized produce in the past, including a cabbage as big as "a torso."

"We kind of love Bruce's Kitchen and we love Bruce. I think he's a real resource on Salt Spring," Quiring explained of her decision.



Bruce Wood holds Linda Quiring's find, which fills an entire plate.

"I really like his philosophy — you know the big truck isn't coming with asparagus from Argentina."

Bruce Wood, a chef and restaurant owner, reported he was "overwhelmed" by the gift.

"I thought it was quite wonderful and I was very flattered they brought it to us," Wood said.

He described the mushroom as having an earthy, fragrant and lovely taste.

Although its many folds take a lot of cleaning, Wood said "the fact that Linda thought of us is wonderful, and we're going to treat it with as much respect as we can."

Plans for the fungus are still in development, but Woods

will most likely feature it during his upcoming communal dinner on Friday night, perhaps in a barley risotto. He said barley has the advantage of being a Canadian grain that also makes a good accompaniment to local meats as well as the earthy wild mushroom.

Mushroom enthusiasts hoping to enliven their own meals with discoveries from the wild will likely have more luck in the coming weeks — Quiring said so far there hasn't been enough rain to produce a good crop.

She also warned amateurs to get educated on their sport, as several poisonous varieties exist locally.

A former member of one of the world's largest mycology organizations in California, Quiring has participated in a half-dozen walks with experts and typically cross references discoveries between several books.

She's even been known to take spore samples before making a positive identification and eating a tiny sample of her finds.

Alex Olchowecki, a qualified mycologist living on Salt Spring, agreed that becoming educated is a good idea for mushroom newbies. He recommends the South Vancouver Island Mycologist Society, a group he belongs to that leads a major foray every fall.

Olchowecki said that people who have grown up hunting mushrooms generally "know the good ones," but that information can change depending on location and culture.

One tip for this area and time of year is to avoid any pure white mushrooms, especially those with white spores.

As for the giant cauliflower mushrooms, Olchowecki said two were found during his group's recent outing near Lake Cowichan.

"They're considered quite a prize, but they're not rare."

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Sorting out recyclables

Q: How do I find out about what the Rainbow Road Recycling Depot accepts? They say to check the signs when you get there, but I'd like to know before I haul all my stuff there if they will take it or not.
 .Scott Harris

A: Due to the changing nature of what the depot accepts, the depot has been reluctant to publish a brochure or flyer of any kind. They do have a website they try to keep up-to-date www.saltspringcommunityservices.ca/recycling, but at times the website is not up-to-date.

With the help of the depot, the Driftwood has put together this list (right hand side of this page) of what is accepted at the Rainbow Road Recycling Depot.

Print it, clip it, stick it on your fridge and sort away. A downloadable PDF is on the blog at www.gulfislands.net/wordpress.

Just keep in mind that these categories may change over time, but at least you've got a list that's current, right now, to work with.

In other Salt Spring Recycling Depot news:

• To-go coffee cups are a go! The depot asks that paper coffee cups be placed in their tetra-paks bin and NOT in with paper or cardboard. This helps ensure paper coffee cups get recovered and recycled

Have a question related to life on the Gulf Islands? E-mail Amy at ageddes@gulfislands.net. See the blog at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com or www.gulfislands.net/wordpress



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when they arrive at METRO Waste Paper Recovery Inc. in Victoria.

Doug Stevens, plant manager at METRO, confirms that paper coffee cups that arrive from Salt Spring are, in fact, recycled. Even if they have a latex or plastic lining on the inside, they are still able to extract the paper part of the cup to recycle.

"Paper cups get pulped at a mill and the latex lining is skinned off the top and rest is recycled," he said in a telephone interview in October.

Stevens urges that people rinse out their cups so they are "100 per cent clean," otherwise the depot could end up with a rejected bin; enough dirty coffee cups in one bin and the depot gets slapped with a "contaminated" label that will force them to dispose of the entire bin as garbage.

The best solution of course, Stevens says, is to buy a reusable mug.

• The depot no longer accepts plastic grocery bags. However, most local retail outlets' grocery bags are biodegradable and could not be recycled anyway.

• Wine box protocol. Wine boxes with liners can be recycled at the depot. Keep the liner inside (it's necessary for the depot to get the refund) and place in the tetra-pak category, NOT in the cardboard category.

• CRD Recycling Hotline: 1-800-663-4425.

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Wisdom of Menopause workshop gives unique opportunity for women

Community Ed session led by Jamie Capranos

Nurturing one's well-being through menopause is the focus of a Community Education workshop being offered on Salt Spring on Wednesday, Nov. 14.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Community Gospel Chapel, homeopath and herbalist Jamie Capranos will lead The Wisdom of Menopause, where women can learn about a wide variety of natural options, particularly the use of herbs, diet and homeopathy.

"I will be encouraging women to think of menopause as a process during which she'll be creating the healthy body she needs

and desires for the rest of her life," said Capranos.

What a woman experiences during this period of her life depends upon a multitude of factors, from her heredity, her expectations, her cultural background to her self-esteem and her diet, she said.

Capranos' philosophy is that the path to optimal health exists by drawing on the best of western medical knowledge when needed, and then to apply the wealth of ancient herbal and homeopathic wisdom that can manage a vast scope of ailments and symptoms, and often prevent diseases from advancing.

Class participants will sample hormone balancing teas, learn

how to make an herbal infusion, learn about the most valuable homeopathic remedies to manage excessive bleeding, hot flashes and other uncomfortable symptoms, and walk away understanding the essentials of women and nutrition. To register for the course, contact Community Ed at 250-537-0037 or info@ssicommunityed.org. Course fee is \$45.

Registration forms can be picked up from Community Ed binders located at Salt Spring Books, the library, school board office, the Driftwood and the PARC office.

They can be dropped off at the school board office or mailed to Box 329, SSI, V8K 2V9.

In the dark about what can be recycled on SSI?



tin cans		Flattened foil, spray cans (except paint).
aluminum cans		The depot appreciates your donations of pop and beer cans – collected in plastic bags in front of the "tin can" bin.
scrap metal		No paint cans. Charge of 20¢/pound for scrap metal. No charge for non-ferrous metals.
glass bottles and jars		No window glass, no drinking glasses, no light bulbs, no ceramics, no mirrors.
glass beverage bottles		Wine, liquor, juice and milk bottles are collected in a separate bin next to the "glass bottles and jars" bin.
paper		Old newspapers and other paper such as office paper, magazines, junk mail, phone books – no Kleenex, no carbon paper, no multi-layered material, no tetra-paks, no milk cartons and no contents of bathroom waste containers.
cardboard		Flattened cereal boxes, paper bags, all cardboard except boxes coated with wax (these are usually produce boxes).
tetra-paks		Milk cartons, clean juice boxes, all gable-top cartons are collected in three categories: 1. juice, paper coffee cups 2. milk, soy, etc. and 3. broth, ice cream, etc.
plastic containers and lids		Plastic containers and lids: all plastics #s 1 –7. No Styrofoam or motor oil containers. CDs not accepted.
plastic drink containers		The depot thanks you for donating returnables. They get the full deposit, which is part of their operating budget. OK to leave lids on.
cell phones		The depot now accepts used cell phones and accessories.
electronics		Televisions, computers, printers, cables, keyboards and other computer related devices.
pesticides, poisons and flammable liquids		There are some restrictions. Check with staff.
batteries		Household, automotive and marine batteries.
car and light truck tires		No charge up to 16.5" (larger tires at a fee). No tires on rims accepted.
large appliances		\$25 drop-off charge per item.
corks		Separate corks from bottles etc. in the container provided.
wood shakes		Can be re-used or split into kindling.
paint		Leftover household paint in original cans, spray paint cans, and empty paint cans. Leave label on. If no label, must fill out form at depot. Please check with staff as we get penalized for non-program materials.
printer cartridges		Inject cartridges. Toner cartridges now accepted.
drywall		Banned from CRD and GVRD landfills. The depot charges 20¢ per pound to accept.

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