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FIREY MOTION: The first sparks of fire on Earth, born from the stars, emerge in the Imaginelle: Alchemy show that ran at ArtSpring from Thursday through Sunday. See the Gulf Islands Driftwood's Facebook page for more Imaginelle photos.

ISLANDS TRUST

Head office site study initiated

Trustees promote potential economic benefits

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Trust Council members voted Wednesday to move ahead with plans to study relocation of some or all Victoria-based Trust operations to the Gulf Islands.

"As an organization, [the Islands Trust] is committed to and we promote sustainable economies in our communities, yet year on year we export substantial sums of money willingly and knowingly out of the Trust area to the benefit of the economy in Victoria," said George Grams, a member of the Salt Spring Local Trust Committee, during discussion of the proposal last week on Galiano Island.

"I believe our communities, if we put this off, will interpret that as an unwillingness or an admission that we're not walking the talk."

Grams said he estimates approximately \$2.5 million in tax revenue from Gulf Islands property owners is diverted annually from the islands to cover costs associated with the Victoria headquarters. Living up to the Trust's mandate to support its communities requires, at the very least, a commitment to undertake a review, he said.

"Staff welfare must be one of the issues that is at the heart of this, but the interest of our communities and promoting sustainable economies must also be a consideration," he added. "I believe it's possible to balance both in a review and come to a reasonable decision."

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MEDIA

Radio station licence revoked

CFSI-FM ordered to cease broadcasting by July 25

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has revoked the broadcasting licences associated with Salt Spring's Green FM radio station and ordered its owner to cease broadcasting by July 25 as a result of non-compliance issues.

In a statement released Thursday morning, the CRTC said its decision to withdraw the broadcasting licences for CFSI-FM and the

Mount Bruce transmitter follow the station's failure to comply with six mandatory orders set earlier in the licence term.

"In spite of these orders, CFSI-FM continued to be in non-compliance with its regulatory obligations," the decision reads. "As a result, the commission has no confidence that the licensee will be able to operate in compliance with its existing or any new regulatory obligations for the remainder of the current licence term or for another licence

term.

"Accordingly, the commission considers that revocation of the licence is the only appropriate measure."

CFSI owner Sukhdev Dhillon said Monday he hadn't had time to process the decision properly, but he offered his help to anyone who wanted to pursue future radio programming on Salt Spring.

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FIRE DISTRICT

Firefighters ask committee questions

Member applications denied to staff

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The question of how much input Salt Spring firefighters will be able contribute to board policy was raised Thursday afternoon during the first meeting of the Salt Spring Fire Protection District's new Strategic Planning and Policy Development Committee.

Career firefighter Lt. Mitchell Sherrin introduced the topic by asking committee chair Norbert Schlenker if there is a criteria list for who will be included and who excluded from participating in committees and how that works.

Schlenker said the board had made the decision to exclude staff from committees to avoid conflict of interest situations, as the committees will be making recommendations on policy that could affect those employees.

"We all expect all the committees to have staff input

... but in the end, we were concerned that the process within the committee could be tipped a certain way if we have employees on the committees," Schlenker said.

He added the fire chief is an ex officio or non-voting member of all standing committees and will represent staff.

"I guess the concern that I see is the flip side, with members of the public making fairly significant decisions about the direction of the fire service without any input from employees," Sherrin said.

Trustee Michele Severn asked if specific committees could benefit from employee participation. While leaving aside the human resources committee, she suggested the board could speak with staff about items such as physical plant/facilities and fire service level policy.

Schlenker said Fire Chief Tom Bremner was advised by board chair Linda Lee that employees should not submit committee applications.

Lee clarified after the meeting the decision had been

made by consensus of the board through an email process and then agreed to on Wednesday at a meeting of the management team consisting of herself, Bremner and Deputy Chief AJ George.

"I presented the case that it's in the board's best interest, and it's in the employees' best interest [to avoid] conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest," she said.

Lee added her research into improvement districts suggests the recommended policy is to not include staff on committees.

"In the interests of everybody we thought it would be best to be protected," she said.

Sherrin's interest in the strategic planning committee includes its task to set service levels for the district, as recommended by consultants and as a new requirement of the BC Fire Commissioner in relation to structure fires. A specific concern is that trustees and members of the public might recommend decisions based on a perceived cost savings without understanding the full

ramifications.

Sherrin noted committee members have discussed the fire commissioner playbook distinction between providing "interior" level service and "full service" structure fire-fighting capacity. Setting the service level to interior would mean that firefighters could enter single family dwellings but not duplexes, for example. Bremner has recommended a full service designation, stating that is the level the department has actually been providing for the past 30 years.

The Strategic Planning and Policy Development Committee voted to recommend the board book a community venue to hold a presentation on all the services the fire department currently provides, with time for questions from trustees and the public after.

The board will accept applications for its committees through the end of the day on July 3. Application forms and draft terms of reference for each committee can be found on the department's website.

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Radio station situation difficult for team

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"I know people in the community are trying to put a broadcasting licence application together," Dhillon said.

"I wish them all the best. If they ever need any of my help, I will be there. And if they need my equipment I will help also.

"I know it is a big loss, but life must go on," he added.

Dhillon was summoned to a CRTc hearing in January 2014 to discuss the non-compliance issues. The CRTc agreed to renew the licence until August 2015 but issued six mandatory orders. Dhillon appeared before the CRTc again on May 13 to explain why numerous orders had not been addressed, from filing required reports to paying dividends and other fees.

Dhillon blamed staff for the lapse at both hearings and promised new equipment and new employees would solve

the problems.

The CRTc said it was concerned by Dhillon's "cavalier attitude to compliance."

"The commission has no faith that the measures proposed by Mr. Dhillon at the 13 May hearing would prove any more effective," the decision states.

Former staff members who filed interventions with the CRTc testified that constant service interruption due to unpaid utility bills, lack of proper investment for equipment and staffing resources, and Dhillon's absenteeism were major obstacles.

Radio host Radha Fournier had stepped up to help the struggling organization as an office manager in November 2013 and became the interim station manager in May 2014. She and the team of three other paid station hosts walked out in March. Fournier testified via video feed at the May 13 hearing that she believed the licence should be revoked.

"I do understand it means taking a service away from the island, and there were employees, but it was an impossible situation," Fournier said after the decision.

Dave Gordon, a former CFSI station manager, was the only person to file an intervention in support of the station at the May 13 hearing. He told the Driftwood that the situation has been hard on the community of hosts, volunteers and listeners.

"I think we were very relevant," Gordon said. "We had a great thing going, a great team going, and it's gone now. It kind of breaks my heart."

Fournier also believes in the station's community value. She is hopeful someone might buy Dhillon's assets, or start fresh with new equipment, and apply for a new broadcasting licence.

"One thing I liked about CFSI was that it was commercial but ran on a community format, and it really represented the tapestry of the island," Fournier said.

"I think having a station on air is a possibility and I would love to see it come back. I don't think I'd want to be manager again, though."

There is reason to think the CRTc would be amenable to supporting a broadcasting licence for Salt Spring under different ownership. As the decision reads: "As a result of this revocation, Canadians living on Salt Spring Island will no longer have access to the radio service of CFSI-FM. However, given that the licensee operated with numerous recurring and serious instances of non-compliance during its licence term, the commission is confident that a higher quality radio service could be provided to island residents."

CFSI went on the air in September of 2009. Then island resident Gary Brooks had acquired the CRTc licence for Salt Spring Island Radio Corp. Brooks sold the business to Satnam Media Group in February of 2013.



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WATER SUPPLY

New hydrology reports outline 'dire' circumstances

Rationale for moratorium in NSSWD documents

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

With water levels in St. Mary Lake already at a record low for this time of year, new reports released Friday by the North Salt Spring Watersheds District emphasize the need for islanders to begin a "new era" of water management.

"While this new understanding of the limitations of our freshwater resources may be concerning to many members of the community, be assured that the district recognizes the urgency of the situation," reads part of the NSSWD's Sustainable Water Management Strategy.

"Adjusting to new limitations may be difficult but can be achieved."

The management strategy's June 26 release coincided with highly anticipated hydrology studies for St. Mary and Maxwell lakes. The district spent two years working with engineers at Kerr Wood Leidal to assess water

supplies in the island's largest drinking water sources.

The reports' early findings led NSSWD board members and staff to implement a moratorium on any new water connections within the district in 2014. Friday's conclusions reinforce the district's position and strengthen the need to carefully consider any new water connections.

"We can only hope that things get back to some sort of normality," said Marshall Heinekey, chair of the NSSWD, on Monday.

Heinekey said recurring drought years have strained water supplies and prioritized the need to pay special attention to how islanders use water within the NSSWD service area.

The good news, he added, is that conservation measures appear to be taking hold.

"Conservation is working," Heinekey said. "We're seeing some overall improvements."

The reports' key findings reveal an inability for the water supply in St. Mary and Maxwell lakes to meet anticipated customer demand. Successive drought years



St. Mary Lake as seen this past winter. The lake is now at a record low level, putting the island into a "new era" of water management.

FILE PHOTO BY JEN MACLELLAN

have slowed recharge rates and compounded water shortages.

In the case of St. Mary Lake, the water district will only be able to fully guarantee licence requirements when storage capacity in the lake is increased through raising of a weir near the lake's outflow.

"The key thing is that the weir has to go up a foot," Heinekey said.

NSSWD staff and board members are negotiating with lakeside residents whose properties will be flooded if the weir is raised.

Recommendations in the 135-page St. Mary Lake Hydrology Study support the current moratorium on new water connections, promote ongoing monitoring of water levels and support further water conser-

vation efforts. The report also recommends NSSWD pursue a St. Mary Lake Watershed Management Plan and drought management strategy.

Heinekey said work on many of the recommendations is already underway.

"These are the first steps in an ongoing process to manage the water available, under licence, to NSSWD,"

he said. "Going forward, environmental monitoring at both Maxwell and St. Mary lakes will continue in order to improve our current understanding and facilitate implementation of our management plan."

Adding to worries about the lake's capacity was the report's use of a one-in-10-year drought scenario. Because droughts are occurring with more frequency, the district warns that conclusions identified within the reports represent an optimistic scenario.

"There is certainly the possibility that Level 3 or 4 drought conditions could occur in close proximity, with the result that the lakes do not refill each year," Heinekey wrote in a statement on the board's website. "Such events are very dire and indicate that there is much less water available than previously thought, requiring very careful planning by the district."

The management strategy and hydrology reports can be downloaded from northsaltspringwaterworks.ca.

Office study opponents feel timing just not right

HEAD OFFICE

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Bruce McConchie, a member of the South Pender LTC, requested the "independent, unbiased and very transparent" investigation of the Trust's Fort Street office. He considers an objective look at staffing long overdue.

"We haven't discussed this before, because there's always been some crisis that hasn't allowed us to discuss this. There's always going to be a new crisis, but at some point we need to have a careful study," he told trustees. "The only reason I'm proposing this is to create a discussion about how

the location of the Trust's head office can meet the needs of islanders."

A majority of Trust Council members — including Salt Spring's Grams and Peter Grove — voted to create a special committee to oversee the review. The committee's membership, which will include trustees and staff, will be announced at Trust Council in September.

The decision's opponents argue events like Salt Spring's possible incorporation referendum in 2016 and retirement of Trust CAO Linda Adams at the end of 2015 have stretched workloads for Trust staff.

"We've talked about this for a long time and it's a worthwhile thing to consider. I'm just concerned about the timing," said Tony Law, a member of

Hornby Island's LTC. "I think we have to take things step by step."

Peter Luckham, Trust Council chair, voted likewise, warning results of any review will be heavily affected by the outcome of a Salt Spring referendum on incorporation.

"In the event that there is a change in Salt Spring governance, it's a three-year transition period, which will give us the opportunity to really look into this and determine what the appropriate staff level is, what the appropriate level of remote telecommuting is and where it may be that individuals can be located in order to deliver the service.

"I'm not against having a conversation, it may just be that this isn't the right time."

FOR THE RECORD

The winner of the biggest fish prize in the Salt Spring Fishing Derby was Bob Morrisette, not Russ Spencer as stated in last week's story. Morrisette was on Spencer's boat.

• A photo cutline also incorrectly identified Roisin Gill as a boy.

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ENVIRONMENT

Poor oil spill preparedness alarms Mayne residents

San Juan councillors urge more trans-border collaboration

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Members of a Mayne Island conservation group say research into potential effects on pipeline expansion and fallout from an April incident in Vancouver's English Bay reveal an alarming lack of oil-spill preparedness.

"Gulf Islanders are not going to stand by and watch their shores and surrounding waters and all the plant and animal life it supports be irreparably damaged by an oil slick moving in with the flood tide," said Helen O'Brian, director of the Mayne Island Conservancy, in a presentation to Trust Council members on Galiano Island last week.

O'Brian worries the current 72-hour standard response time is nowhere near fast enough to prevent damage from a major spill, whether it be from an oil tanker, container ship, ferry or other marine vessel.

"The first 24 hours following a spill are critical," she said.

Failure to have an adequate response plan in place, she added,

could put islanders who decide to take matters into their own hands at risk.

"Residents will want to do something and, without some form of instruction and equipment, they could cause severe injury to themselves and others," O'Brian told trustees.

Environment Minister Mary Polak acknowledged the oil spill threat in a June 15 news conference. Although responsibility for a marine spill lies within federal jurisdiction, Polak said, the province needs to set an example by enacting new regulations to strengthen preparedness and response times for pipeline disasters and other land-based emergencies.

"Once it spills, we're in trouble."

JAMIE STEPHENS
Councillor,
San Juan County

a major spill," she said of federal and provincial response capabilities.

Mayne Island Conservancy members are looking to the San

Juan Islands as an example of what can be done. O'Brian said she wants to coordinate meetings between Gulf Islands residents and the Islands Oil Spill Association to improve response times north of the border.

The Lopez Island-based IOSA is a non-profit, community-supported organization that strives to provide San Juan County with oil-spill response training and resources.

"We can learn so much from them," O'Brian said.

Jamie Stephens, a San Juan County councillor who attended last week's Trust Council meeting, commended IOSA but said the organization is primarily responsible for containment rather than cleanup.

"They don't have the capacity," he said.

Because much of the oil can sink below the water's surface within 10 hours of a spill, Stephens said, preventing a disaster remains the safest option.

"Once it spills, we're in trouble. In my opinion, it's that simple," he told trustees. "So the biggest thing we can do is prevention."

Stephens and fellow San Juan Councillor Bob Jarman emphasized a need for federal authorities on both sides of the border to "get on the same page" when it comes to monitoring vessel traffic and coordinating emergency response capacities.

GANGES SEWER

Sewer project costs revised ahead of July 25 vote

Referendum draws near

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

As property owners connected to the Ganges sewer prepare to vote on whether or not to borrow up to \$3.9 million for critical infrastructure upgrades, it's becoming clear that work on the aging facility has become a matter of when rather than if.

"Based on the level of risk, liability, non-compliance and illegal discharge, CRD staff will [if the referendum fails] determine options with the commission and CRD board, which may result in increased costs . . . to fund immediate improvements," according to information provided at a June 23 open-house presentation.

Approximately 15 ratepayers attended the last public event before general voting day on July 25.

"I think, from my perspective, the comments were fairly positive. People recognize this has to be done," said Keith Wahlstrom, engineering manager for the Salt Spring electoral area.

Participants learned that a decision to pay back the loan through user fees rather than parcel taxes could ease the tax burden on ratepayers.

"We've changed from going to a straight parcel tax to going to a consumption tax scheme," Wahlstrom said.

Figures presented at last week's meeting project a \$179 average increase for residential user

fees. The rise represents a 43 per cent increase compared to residents' average user rates in 2014, which were approximately \$409. CRD staff said they expect business and institutional user rates will "vary significantly" due to the nature of water usage by these organizations.

Funding for up to two-thirds of the project's cost may be provided through a federal grant, news of which will be made this fall.

Failure to approve the referendum, CRD staff warn, could result in non-compliance issues, fines from the Ministry of Environment and high costs to fix emergency repairs.

"The treatment plant equipment is beyond its expected serviceable life and critical components are nearing failure," according to the CRD's presentation.

Replacement and upgrades were recommended in 2011 by engineers at Stantec Consulting. Capital Regional District staff note that additional components have deteriorated since the 2011 report.

People who live within the Ganges Sewer Local Service Area and qualify as resident electors are eligible to vote in the referendum. Owners of property within the service area but who live elsewhere may qualify as non-resident electors. Corporations are not eligible to vote.

Advance voting opportunities are available on July 15 and July 22 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. in the Salt Spring Public Library's program room. General voting day is at the library on Saturday, July 25 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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HEALTH CARE

Transition period for adult mental health gets underway

Adult services shift to Island Health

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring Island Community Services' contract to provide mental health services on the island was officially set to expire on July 15, but a transition strategy up and running for the past month should smooth the process, according to Island Health.

Shana Hall, a mental health and addictions service manager for the regional health authority, said SSICS effectively discontinued its services mid-May. While not all hiring has been completed for new positions directly administered by Island Health, service has been provided for islanders with mental health needs.

Interim intake, including new referrals, has been taking place at Lady Minto

Hospital. Coverage has been provided for general practitioners and counselors associated with assessments and treatment.

Hall said that after-hours assessment will improve as of July 15, when the 4 p.m. to midnight service at LMH increases to seven days a week, instead of just being offered Monday to Friday. The adult short-term assessment and treatment team model will also be put into place, providing service to adults with serious and immediate mental health conditions. Hall said imminent or emerging issues, including addictions, can be treated promptly under this approach.

Janine Gowans, chapter coordinator for the Salt Spring Island Rural and Remote Division of Family Practice, added that island service providers, including the chapter, Island Health and SSICS,

will continue to collaborate on local methods to meet a provincially based challenge around the transition between mental health services for children and youth and those for adults.

While there is much positive news, Community Services' communications director Rob Wiltzen said the interface between the two service providers is an area that is still to be worked out. SSICS has received funding from the Salt Spring Foundation that will allow a "navigator" to work one day a week as part of its strategy. That person will help clients understand how to access the system and the different services available.

"The transition strategy also has to address how people continuing to work on the front lines but outside Island Health will now interact [with the system]," Wiltzen said.

TRANSIT

Moon snail bus shelter installed at Country Grocer

Ruckle service helps with Fulford overloads

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Almost two years exactly after the Capital Regional District announced Matt Brain's moon snail concept as the winning design for a new bus shelter, the completed project touched ground outside the Country Grocer complex on Monday.

"I think it's a wonderful and unique addition to Salt Spring," said Salt Spring Transportation Commission chair Robin Williams, who predicted design awards could result from the project. "It certainly is an incredibly exciting and unique design."

SSITC's shelter design panel considered an online poll, 11 designs from other communities and seven



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Jason Charlebois, left, and glazier Troy Kaye of Kapa Kai Glass work at installing Matt Brain's winning bus shelter design outside Country Grocer on Monday.

other design submissions before selecting Brain's concept, which is modelled on the large mollusk found at Fernwood beach areas and other

island locations.

The shelter was installed on a waiting foundation that meets seismic regulations. Bringing the concept to life required a building permit and engineering, which was done by Bill Simpson and overseen by the CRD. Work by island contractors Bellavance Welding and Kapa Kai Glass also went into the project along with countless volunteer hours donated by Brain and former SSITC chair Donald McLennan for glass etching and woodwork. The latter involved a fir bench inscribed with waves to resemble driftwood.

Though two years in the making, the shelter's galvanized metal body and roof should mean it remains a community treasure for the next 30 years.

"The goal was we wanted to get it in by Canada Day. We wanted it to be

a bit of a surprise for the community," Williams said.

"It's a very sophisticated project — it's as much sculpture, I think, as functional shelter."

Williams said the commission will now get to work planning the shelter for the opposite side of the road.

In other transit news, Williams said figures were not yet available for the new seasonal service to Ruckle Park that began on June 24, but he said the addition has no doubt helped alleviate passenger traffic from Fulford to Ganges as well as opening up a new section of the island to transit along Beaver Point Road.

"We now have two extra buses per day on Fulford-Ganges Road that aren't specifically tied to the ferries. It should definitely help with the overall problem of overloading," Williams said.

CANADA DAY

Family fun planned for July 1 holiday

Car show, fireworks and more

Canada Day festivities taking place on Salt Spring this Wednesday, July 1 offer a full day of fun and entertainment

that stretches all the way into the night.

Events kick off with the annual Show and Shine Classic Car Show, which takes place on the school districts' "hydro field" on Rainbow Road from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The show features hun-

dreds of classic cars, entertainment and food.

The Canada Day cake cutting takes place at 12 noon after the celebratory cannons are fired, with MP Elizabeth May and MLA Gary Holman sharing knife-wielding honours.

A Canada Day Wellness Fair hits Rotary Park from 3 to 7 p.m. and a Kidz Zone with hot dogs, games, activities and family fun goes from 7 to 9 p.m. Don't miss TJ Beans' ball toss from the Oystercatcher deck. Fireworks set to music start at dusk.

ISLANDS TRUST

Ties with First Nations boosted

Relationship called 'sporadic and inconsistent'

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Trustees at Islands Trust Council's quarterly meeting on Galiano Island last week voted to spend \$50,000 on initiatives aimed at boosting understanding of the region's First Nations.

"I'm proud of the fact that my council is prepared to move forward with this," said Peter Luckham, Trust Council chair, following the vote.

The money will be used to hire a consultant, facilitate training and workshops, clarify land-use consultation protocols and create a First Nations database for Trust staff and elected officials.

"The database we envision would tell us more information, such as who the [First Nations] councils are, when their elections are, some cultural information and even how to say 'hello' in the local language," said Islands Trust planning director David Marlor during the June 24 meeting.

"We want to go beyond what the province has . . . so we can [meet First Nations groups] with some knowl-

edge and understanding that will help us connect and hopefully not screw things up so much," Marlor added. "The \$10,000 [allocated for the database] may be too much, but at least it sets us up to do this."

Staff based the proposal on a survey of Trust Council members. The project's goal is to "enable the vision of an enduring relationship" with members of the 25 First Nations groups with expressed interests inside Trust area boundaries.

"This is really about information," Marlor told trustees prior to the vote. "We don't know anything, or at least very much, about First Nations."

A 2012 Islands Trust report called the Trust's working relationship with First Nations "sporadic and inconsistent" with "limited communication." The report recommended creation of First Nations database.

Paul Brent, a Saturna Island Local Trust Committee member, asked fellow trustees if \$50,000 could be considered excessive at this early stage. He suggested allocation of \$25,000 to begin the process with the possibility to consider further funding at a later date.

"I think we're running when we should be walking,"

he said.

"I'm totally in favour of [workshops and consultation], but the rest is just too loosey-goosey for me."

Trustee Bruce McConchie of South Pender Island agreed that a phased approach would ease the burden on staff.

A majority of trustees sided with staff's recommendation.

"I think we need to move faster," said George Harris, a Galiano Island trustee. "We need to discover what needs to be done, and I think we need to trust our Executive Committee and staff so we can get more information."

Salt Spring trustees George Grams and Peter Grove voted in favour of the \$50,000 proposal.

Trust Council members subsequently voted to hold off on the creation of business cases for funding a First Nations speaker series and more "relationship-building" opportunities.

"I'm feeling like Mr. Grumpy for one very simple reason," Brent told trustees. "Here we are creating business cases when we still don't know how we're going to spend the \$50,000. I think it is super-premature. From a process perspective, I think this is not the way to run an organization."

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OPINION



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EDITORIAL

Trust shuffle

Question marks about governance on Salt Spring, retirement of the organization's chief administrative officer and a strategic plan update make for interesting times at the Islands Trust.

In case things weren't exciting enough for trustees, staff and the Trust's 25,000 residents, Trust Council voted last week to investigate the possible relocation of some or all Trust staff from the organization's Victoria head office to the islands.

Salt Spring trustee George Grams estimates nearly \$2.5 million in Trust revenue is siphoned out of the islands each year to fund operations at the Victoria office. Keeping some of that money on the islands as high-paying jobs could certainly boost sluggish island economies.

THE ISSUE:

Relocation of Trust headquarters

WE SAY:

Good idea; poor timing

planning and government administration, to more rural islands.

It's worthwhile questions like these that a formal investigation into Trust staffing will hopefully address, but we can't help but wonder if the timing is a tad premature.

Among the handful of trustees who voted against the proposal, none said they oppose a study; it's the timing they have a problem with. Opponents say the organization is already bogged down with a brimming list of priorities. Furthermore, with Salt Spring's incorporation study underway and a potential referendum set for June 2016, the number of variables and possible outcomes for researchers to consider could handicap any investigation from the outset.

Trustees who support the move say the study is long overdue, an idea whose time has come. We question the wisdom of moving ahead during a period of heightened flux at the Trust. If we've really waited more than 40 years for this study, the only difference waiting another year will make is the opportunity to get reliable results.

Parker



VIEWPOINT by John Borst

Each drop counts in new water ethic

July 1 is here and the rains of June did not happen. In fact, Salt Spring Island had less than 5mm of rain in May and June combined. Our last good rain was in March. Our average April to June rainfall is 137 mm. This year during this period we only received 40 mm. That is less than 25 per cent of our usual rainfall!

The forecast for July and August is for even drier weather. In May a Level-3 drought was declared for Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands, and we could easily reach Level 4 before the end of the summer. Last year we did not reach a Level-3 drought until August.

Salt Spring is like a wooden bowl floating in the sea. Rain fills the bowl during the wet winter months and, in fact, water flows off the island when the ground is saturated and the lakes are full. When the summer comes all we have is the water still in the bowl. And wells cannot save the day because if we draw more water out of the ground than was stored there, salt water comes up through the ground into our wells. Therefore, not only do wells dry out during long arid summers, over-withdrawing water allows salt water to infiltrate our aquifers.

We islanders have had the luxury of living in a rain forest where water was abundant. We have taken water for granted. We use potable water to flush our toilets and water our gardens, and we are served fresh water at every restaurant, we wash our cars frequently and we normally bathe or shower every day. The most extreme example I know about is that of an east shore Vancouver Island resident who, on hot days, turned on his shower before going to work and turned it off when he got home. The cold water kept his condo cool all day.

But we no longer have this luxury. Climate change is changing our world. The prediction is that Salt Spring will see hotter, longer summers with heavier rains in the fall and winter. This means that now

and into the future we will have to rely on the quantity of water in the bowl for a longer time each year. The only way it will last is to slow our water usage. We need to rethink the way we use water.

Make every drop count! This must be the new water ethic on Salt Spring. Some islanders are collecting the water that they run to get a warm shower and watering their gardens with it. Some people turn the shower off to soap their bodies. Some residents have installed drip technology to water gardens more efficiently. Many use low-flush toilets to cut in half the water flushed down the toilet.

And we need to plan for the future. The province, CRD and Islands Trust are looking at these trends and recommending actions. But they need to do more. Individually we can collect water off our roofs and use it for our gardens in the summer. Tourists can be educated about the water bowl they are visiting.

The Salt Spring Island Water Council is organizing a public event — a water conservation forum — where islanders can ask questions of a variety of resource people about our lakes, our wells, climate change and its trends, what restrictions are taking place in the rest of the province, how a forest fire may affect our water supply, and what farmers, restaurants and tourist accommodations can do.

Come to Meaden Hall on July 19 from 2 to 5 p.m. The event is co-sponsored by the Water Preservation Society and the North Salt Spring Waterworks District. We look forward to support from the Islands Trust and CRD as well.

For more info on the Salt Spring Water Conservation Forum, visit: www.ssiwatercouncil.com.

The writer chairs the Salt Spring Island Water Council.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

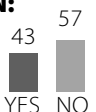
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LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Should the Fulford Inn have been saved?



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "I think we're running when we should be walking."

PAUL BRENT, SATURNA TRUSTEE, ON FIRST NATIONS PROJECT

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What makes you proud to be Canadian?



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RHIAN BOURCIER
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We're just lucky in general.

Letters to the editor

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Healthcare options

Regarding Curt Firestone's article titled "Let's avoid a Salt Spring medical services crisis" in the June 17 Driftwood, I tried not to get involved but the temptation was too great.

Should new doctors from UBC be required to practise in B.C. for a predetermined number of years after graduation if their training is subsidized? Definitely yes. I trained as a physician at Newcastle in the U.K. and we had many Norwegian medical graduands who were under contract with

their government to do exactly that (i.e. return to Norway).

Should and can nurse practitioners work in close co-operation with doctors to relieve the doctor shortage crisis? The fee-for-service method of payment to doctors means that (theoretically) nurse practitioners would be competing, not co-operating, with doctors, therefore reducing doctors' income. Having worked under modified salary and fee for service and utilized services of nurse practitioners and midwives, I have to conclude that associating everything I did with a dol-

lar value (under a fee-for-service model) was professionally less satisfying than with a modified form of salary.

So, how do we on Salt Spring, with a population of approximately 10,000 and with approximately 10 doctors, most with closed lists, improve the situation?

It really is in the hands of those on the front line — the doctors, nurses, interested groups and politicians. If they feel a potential health service crisis exists they could do something to avert it.

But short of attracting more doctors to Salt Spring, establishing a clinic staffed

by salaried nurse practitioners would seem to provide a service for those without a GP and tourists, and thus relieve the hospital's emergency room of many unnecessary visits.

A sore throat seen in Emergency costs the taxpayer much more than if seen in a nurse's walk-in clinic or a doctor's office.

PETER ROWELL,
SOUTHBANK DRIVE

It's time to grow up

As we prepare to struggle through a record-breaking drought and heat wave it is revealing to see how Cana-

dian media writers, spokespeople and meteorologists skip the whys and focus on the results: fires, records falling and how to keep cool, etc.

The whys, as explained by independent meteorologists, is that there is less of a temperature difference between the rapidly warming Arctic and the rest of the northern hemisphere and that makes the very important jet stream weaker and much slower, resulting in weather patterns persisting and increasing in severity. Witness the last two winters back east, massive flooding in Texas and the four-year California

drought now extending up into Western Canada. The double El Nino and high temperature "blob" off our coast will complicate matters considerably.

We have known and denied for 30 years that global warming is human caused: by deforestation (Canada and Russia are the worst culprits), food choices (grow your own plant-based diet), incessant, mindless travel and other causes.

Isn't it time we grew up and did something about it?

RICK LAING,
WILKIE WAY

MORE LETTERS continued on 8

Auto-immune psoriatic frenzy tortures writer

Quick now, what is the largest organ of the human body? No, it is not the heart, liver, or the large intestine. The correct answer is the skin.

This is not too much of a surprise. After all, your skin has to be big enough to cover your entire body. Not only does it have to hold all of you inside of itself (which can be quite the chore for those of us who are "gravity enriched"), but it is also the body's first line of defence against infection and attack from pathogens.

This information is particularly relevant to me in that for the last three years my skin has been acting as if it would prefer someone else take up residence within its confines. As my fingers plunk down on my laptop, I can see flakes of dead skin floating gently through the air before settling en masse in a layer of fluff upon the keyboard.

Truth is, I have become a one-man lint machine. Like a surfer dude traipsing sand up from the beach into the house, I have taken to leaving piles of dry skin dust in each place that my body sits, stands or just passes through.

How did I get to this point? It started about three summers ago when my wife and I were touring the British Isles. As we travelled around, I found myself absentmindedly scratching at the backs of my legs. Before too long, the itchiness had spread to my back (especially the parts of it that could only be reached by the arms of a contortionist). It seemed, at the time, a mere annoyance attributable to a particularly wet British summer and soon faded.

About a year and a half later, after undergoing external beam radiation for prostate cancer, the itch returned, but this time with a vengeance. Not only was I scratching all the time,

but I started getting red, raised welts on different parts of my anatomy, especially on my back. My hands were covered by an eczema-like rash.

At first I attributed the weird affliction to some kind of allergic reaction. It had to be either something I was eating or some object coming in contact with my skin. We changed laundry soap, hand soap and shampoo.

I began a systematic withdrawal of food groups from my normal diet to see if I could pinpoint the culprit. First nuts and seeds were banned, then fruit. One by one, breads, grains, sweets, dairy, meat, legumes and coffee were eliminated. It got to the point where almost anything in the fridge and pantry was forbidden to me.

None of this food avoidance worked. The condition worsened and spread to my arms and legs.

I realized I couldn't fight this battle alone so I tried medical intervention. I was referred to a dermatologist who spent about three minutes with me before he realized that I was not there to fork over oodles of shekels for a series of beautifying laser facelift treatments. He quickly wrote out a script for a topical cortisone cream and dispatched me from the examination room. The cream did nothing.

A second dermatologist pointed the finger at my immune system. Somehow, the trauma sustained from being diagnosed with cancer, undergoing prostate surgery and finally getting radiation treatment had put my immune



Shilo Zylbergold
NBODY ASKED ME BUT

system on high alert. Instead of protecting my body from outside threats, it now viewed my own skin as the enemy and was determined to destroy it. I had become part of an auto-immune psoriatic frenzy! Later, I learned the condition was called Paraneoplastic Syndrome, which made it sound as if it was something you could catch by spending too much time rolling Play-Doh.

I was given the option of going on Methotrexate, a powerful pharmaceutical used in cancer chemotherapy and for treating rheumatoid arthritis. It works as an immune inhibitor but can also cause serious liver damage.

My quick response was "no thanks." Instead, I tried every alternative I could think of. I went to naturopaths and had acupuncture treatments, gulped down bottles of homeopathic potions and tinctures, and endured every weird diet, fast and cleanse ever dreamed up. I applied every cream, ointment, lotion, elixir, salve, extract and snake oil on the market. I alternated hot baths and cold showers with cold baths and hot showers. I added baking soda, Epsom salts, apple cider vinegar and oatmeal to my bath water in hopes that they could mollify the damned itching (or at least add some roughage to help scrub the ring around the tub).

Everybody had a suggestion for the miracle cure to this physical dilemma that is destroying my quality of life. Some warned me to avoid direct sunshine so as not to further damage the skin. Others encouraged me to expose my body to as much sun as possible to allow the UV rays

to bring my skin back to equilibrium.

The less conservative morsels of advice offered include walking up to a beehive and inviting the resident colony to partake of my flesh (thus giving my immune system something to concentrate on besides destroying my skin). Another option is for me to roll around naked in a field of stinging nettles. Not gonna happen.

The symptoms got worse. I developed deep cracks and crevices in the palms of my hands and on the soles of my feet. As a result, I found myself waddling about like one of the cast of thousands in March of the Penguins.

My arms and legs swelled up to the point that I resembled a Cabbage Patch doll. My skin colour turned a deep purple and the combination of gravity and edema made my once shapely ankles dematerialize while also making it impossible to fit my feet into even the loosest of my shoes.

So this is where I stand now. Both the deteriorating condition of my skin and the hobbled posture of my body make me feel as if I have aged 20 years in a few months. Old friends approach me, give me a confused look and say, "You must be Shilo's father."

I have finally decided to try the Methotrexate. Nobody asked me, but although I've always considered myself to be rather thick skinned, this condition has gone from the sublime to the ridiculous. With each layer of skin I shed, I feel there's less and less of my old self left. Hopefully the drug works or it won't be long before I'll find myself gazing into the mirror and asking, "Is that me or my father?"

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PROJECT COMPLETE: Artist and storyteller Quentin Harris, right, celebrates Fernwood Elementary School's new mural dedication with students and Cowichan elder Tousilum (Ron George) after a ceremony at the school on June 19. The Fernwood student body helped Harris create the mural called A Culture of Honour over several months.

Serious ferry complaint

The following letter was sent to BC Ferries and filed with the Driftwood for publication.

I am a resident of Salt Spring Island. I use BC Ferries frequently (when I can afford to).

On Monday, June 22, I sailed on the 1 p.m. ferry from Tsawwassen to Fulford Harbour via Swartz Bay. The ferry was 10 minutes late in departing, arriving at Swartz Bay at 2:50 p.m. I did the ridiculous leave the terminus and circle back to the ferry terminal manoeuvre, arriving in the Fulford Harbour line-up with one car ahead of me and several immediately joining behind. All had come from the Tsawwassen ferry and like me had told the crew we were on through-fares to Salt Spring.

The Skeena Queen was at the dock and the ramp was still down, but despite communication with the parking crew it refused to load us and it was still not 3 p.m. It had space on board but left the seven vehicles behind in what I consider an unreasonable and malicious disregard for the passengers paying for service.

I spoke to personnel at Swartz Bay and was met with platitudes and lame excuses.

The return ferry from Salt Spring arrived five minutes early and departed 10 minutes late at 5:10 p.m. for Fulford.

This took place on a quiet Monday afternoon and demonstrates a complete disregard for the clients using the service.

After the two-hour wait, rubbing salt in the wounds was the late departure of the 5 p.m. and the lame explanations I received when I complained to the officers on board.

MORE LETTERS

I suggest you fix this and live up to your mandate. It is time to stop spending on bureaucratic claptrap instead of applying common-sense solutions to problems like this.

RONALD SMITH,
 NORTH BEACH ROAD

No injection, please

Thanks but no thanks, Kinder Morgan!

The advertising revenue from the Kinder Morgan ad in the June 17 Driftwood is appreciated, but we don't want Kinder Morgan to "inject" \$5.4 billion into our economy.

As G.W. Bush remarked, America is addicted to oil. We agree with professor and author Michael T. Klare that, as his recent article is headlined, "We Are Now in the Terminal Phase of Our Fossil Fuel Addiction" and it's time for action such as "imposing penalties on those who resist such a transition or actively promote addiction to fossil fuels."

Kinder Morgan is certainly a pusher of this addiction. They even tried to silence critics with a \$5-million SLAPP suit.

Mr. Kinder used to work for Enron. We should know better than to let him or anyone impose the "crack cocaine" of our time, oilsands bitumen, on our world. Low-carbon alternatives are viable. More fossil fuel infrastructure is not. No matter how much money they offer to inject into our economy.

JAN SLAKOV, BILL AND MAY HENDERSON, JOANNE MONTRICHARD, CHERYL COHEN, FRANCES HILL, SUE NEWMAN,
 SALT SPRING

Brilliant opportunity

Twenty-five or 30 years ago, B.C. Ferries provided free transportation between the southern Gulf Islands. It was the memory of this, with its social and economic benefits,

that motivated George Harris, Islands Trust member for Galiano Island, to imagine and set in motion the planning for the Tour des Isles.

George, in his 35-foot sailboat Sandpiper, carried passengers free of charge between Fernwood on Salt Spring Island and Retreat Cove on Galiano for four days as part of the coordinated connection that included free road transportation and boats between Galiano, Saturna, Mayne and Pender islands with their multiple special events, music and entertainment. It was a brilliant opportunity for us to get to know and appreciate or reconnect with the people and amenities on our neighbouring islands.

For me, and probably for many others, it was a chance to re-establish friendships. Everyone I talked to was happy to have this opportunity and we hope the Tour des Isles can become an annual event. A heartfelt thank you to all who made it possible.

NANCY WIGEN,
 FERNWOOD

Dead broom update

Each spring we encourage people to "Cut Broom in Bloom" in order to restore natural habitats and prevent further spread of this invasive plant from the landscape, and it's great to see more and more "broom-free" areas.

We've explained in articles and letters to the paper and all emergency POD and neighbourhood leaders that broom and gorse present a serious fire risk due to their natural oils, but maybe we haven't made it clear enough that this hazard is significantly increased when the plants are cut and left to dry out.

Over the last five years we've worked to establish options for responsibly disposing of these problematic weeds. Until the middle of July, Jan Steinman (250-653-2024) will happily accept fresh-cut plants to feed to his goats. We also have the big annual drop-off day each May, and in the last two years have even sent trucks and vol-

unteer drivers out to pick up cut plants from people unable to deliver them.

This year's Cut Broom in Bloom campaign is now over, and we're taking down the signs because the pods are forming on the plants, and transportation of these pods mid-July could spread the seeds.

We recognize there is a need for increased support and options for people to responsibly dispose of cut broom and gorse, and are working with other groups to try to establish more alternatives. However, we ask everyone to please avoid leaving cut broom or gorse plants lying around.

Some websites recommend tucking cut plants under fir trees, but doing so creates a fire risk and also changes the soil chemistry, putting native plants at a disadvantage. Leaving dead and dry plants along the roadside creates an even greater fire hazard, as a cigarette butt carelessly tossed from a passing car or person could start a very hot, fast-moving fire, especially in this very dry weather. Even in wet weather and years after being cut, these plants are extremely combustible.

We really appreciate Lt. Mitchell Sherrin of Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue pulling together resources from the Ministry of Transportation, MainRoad South Island Contracting, Salt Spring Wood Chipping and working with stewardship volunteers to deal with at least some of the roadside broom and gorse that has been cut and left lying on the ground this year.

In future we want to see the provincial and local governments establish and financially support convenient disposal options for islanders who volunteer their time and energy to cut these invasive plants. Ignoring the B.C. Weed Control Act and leaving broom and gorse to spread along our roadsides and pastures is simply not acceptable.

DEBORAH MILLER, JANE PETCH, DONNA MARTIN AND JEAN WILKINSON,
 SSI CONSERVANCY STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Islands Trust gets Sunday celebration

BY JAN SLAKOV

Would you come out to celebrate your government? Probably not. But there is one form of governance you might want to celebrate: the Islands Trust.

The Trust turned 40 last year; a lot has been accomplished since it was created in 1974. First, the provincial government, with citizen support, brought a halt to uncontrolled subdivision and development in the Trust area. And through the Islands Trust Fund, 985 hectares of land have been protected from clear-cutting, soil disturbance and other damaging activities.

Protecting forests is one of the best ways to prevent runaway climate change. As the Oregonwild website points out, "Temperate and boreal forests . . . currently serve as net carbon sinks."

But the Trust offers something more: an example of representation by "trustees." Most elected officials are referred to as "representatives." They work to represent electors. Trustees, on the other hand, are entrusted to "preserve and protect" as well as to represent electors. Admittedly, not all trustees live up to the

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mandate they are entrusted with. But the way the Trust operates helps to ensure that development pressures don't get completely out of hand.

It is interesting to note that all governments are, to some extent at least, entrusted to protect the natural heritage on which life depends. This is because there is a public trust doctrine which is grounded in "natural law." This means "no government, whatever laws it may pass - or neglects to pass - can abdicate its fiduciary duty to protect the public trust," as author Chris Wood has explained. The public trust that must be protected certainly includes the natural capital necessary for human survival, including access to clean water, a relatively stable climate and ways of meeting our needs that do not compromise the needs of other life forms and future generations.

Perhaps it is no coincidence that a group dedicated to increasing the effectiveness of the Islands Trust in fulfilling its "preserve and

protect" mandate, the Gulf Islands Alliance, is exploring the possibility of using the public trust doctrine to force governments to stand up to the sometimes overwhelming pressures of commercial and industrial interests. This effort complements the nation-wide "blue dot" campaign to enshrine fundamental ecological rights in our constitution.

Protecting forests is one of the best ways to prevent runaway climate change.

Now is a good time for citizens to find out more about the Islands Trust, which makes land-use planning decisions with the explicit aim of preserving and protecting "the Trust area and its unique amenities and environment." In a time when humanity desperately needs effective planning tools, the Trust model may be useful for other contexts than just the Gulf Islands.

Meanwhile, the largest Gulf Island, Salt Spring, is in the midst of an incorporation study, which will likely lead to another referendum on municipal incorporation. If Salt Spring were to become a municipality, that would have a big impact on the Islands Trust, as well as on Salt Spring Island itself.

Two people who have done more than their share to protect our natural heritage and who are authorities on the history of the Trust and how our governance system works, Briony Penn and Peter Lamb, will share insights at the Islands Trust celebration happening this Sunday, July 5, at the Lions Hall. Starting at 7 p.m. the celebration includes cake, songs with the Gaia Soul Sisters and a children's activity centre.

Participants who would like to bring paintings, photos or other display items celebrating the Trust and the Trust area are invited to do so; this beautiful area has inspired plenty of beautiful creations!

The author has deep appreciation for the "preserve and protect" mandate of the Islands Trust.

RANTS and Roses

Enormous bouquets of roses and heartfelt thanks go out to Upper Ganges Liquor Store and Country Grocer for their continued and very generous support of the Salt Spring Photography Club's annual Eclectic Visions reception. We so appreciate your kindness.

Bach on the Rock's Salt Spring Chamber Choir and Orchestra sends fragrant music stands of roses to our friends and supporters that make our concert season possible. Thank you, our audience, for coming to our concerts and for your kind words. We would especially like to thank: Anna Haltrecht, Donna Way, Jim McGuckin, John Flannagan, Kim Elsser, Vera Algoet, Bev Stewart, Kate Mailer, Michael Aronoff, Andrea Rankin and Sharon Farquharson for running our concession, house and ticket-taking. Country Grocers, Bandemonium Music Society, Thrifty Foods, SWOVA, and Gladys and Harold Page are among the special friends whose various donations make these performances happen. We are grateful and look forward to seeing you on Dec. 13 at the sing-along Messiah. Thank you to Jim and Laurie Stubbs for their seven years with BOTR and best wishes with your new musical adventures.

The nicest young adults and teens live on Salt Spring Island. Last Wednesday night, the local bands Flower, Lazervision, Sun King, Lover's Touch and all these young people had Central Hall rocking. Bouquets of roses to Jet for organizing this event and to his family and friends (Patricia, Judy, Joey, Darryl, Samantha, Teresa and Drew) for their help at the beginning, middle and end of this warm and energetic evening. Central Hall board of directors

A boatload of sweet roses to everyone who helped me get my purse back when I left it at Vesuvius in the shade near the ferry parking area on Saturday, particularly B.C. Ferries personnel, and the waitress from Seaside Restaurant who found and returned it to me completely unharmed. God bless you.



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Notice of Assent Voting Opportunity Ganges Wastewater Referendum

Take notice that below is a synopsis of proposed Bylaw No. 4007 for which qualified Resident Electors and Non-Resident Property Electors of the **Ganges Sewerage Local Service Area** located on Salt Spring Island within the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area will be asked to vote on the following question on **Saturday, July 25, 2015**:

Are you in favour of the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board adopting Bylaw No. 4007, "Ganges Wastewater System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2015" authorizing the Capital Regional District to borrow an amount up to but not to exceed THREE MILLION NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$3,900,000) for the purpose of administering, planning, designing, acquiring and constructing the capital renewal and upgrade of the Ganges Wastewater System. YES or NO?

Synopsis of Bylaw No. 4007

The intent of Bylaw No. 4007, "Ganges Sewerage System Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1, 2015", is to authorize the Capital Regional District to borrow an amount up to but not to exceed \$3,900,000, subject to receiving funding from other sources, for the purpose of funding the capital renewal and upgrade of the Ganges wastewater system, which will involve the design and construction of facilities for the collection, conveyance, treatment and disposal of wastewater, as well as other related works, facilities, real property and equipment purchases, and will include planning, studies, project administration and communications, and staff time. The Ganges sewerage local service area is located in the Salt Spring Electoral Area of the Capital Regional District.

The above synopsis is not an interpretation of Bylaw No. 4007. A copy of the complete bylaw and this notice may be viewed from June 29, 2015 to July 25, 2015, Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays, at:

- SSI Administration (PARC) Office, 145 Vesuvius Bay Rd., Salt Spring Island, BC
- CRD Headquarters, 625 Fisgard Street, 1st Floor Foyer, Victoria, BC, 8:30 am-4:30 pm

The bylaw and other information may also be viewed on the website: www.crd.bc.ca/ganges-vote

Taxation Impact

There will be no property tax impact as the debt servicing for the loan will be paid by increasing user fees. It is estimated that the annual user fee for the average residential user will increase by \$179 per Single Family Equivalent.

Voting Opportunities

The **General Voting Day** voting place will be open from **8:00 am to 8:00 pm on Saturday, July 25, 2015** at:

- Program Room, Public Library, 129 McPhillips Avenue, Salt Spring Island, BC

Advance Voting Opportunities will be available from **8:00 am to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 and Wednesday, July 22, 2015** at:

- Program Room, Public Library, 129 McPhillips Avenue, Salt Spring Island, BC

Mail Ballot Voting is available to qualified Resident Electors or Non-Resident Property Electors who:

- have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity, or
- expect to be absent from the regional district on general voting day (Saturday, July 25, 2015) and at the times of all advance voting opportunities (Wednesday, July 15 and July 22, 2015).

To Register To Vote By Mail, eligible electors who meet the criteria must submit a completed mail ballot application form in advance of general voting day, July 25, 2015. Application forms are available on the CRD website noted above. Completed application forms may be submitted via email, mail, in person or via fax at the following contact information listed below:

Capital Regional District, Legislative & Information Services
5th floor, 625 Fisgard Street, PO Box 1000, Victoria, BC, V8W 2S6
Phone: 250.360.3642, Toll free: 1.800.663.4425 local 3642, Fax: 250.360.3130, Email: legserv@crd.bc.ca

If you are not on the Provincial Resident Elector List or the CRD Non-Resident Property List of Electors, you may register at the time of filling in your ballot. If you wish to confirm that your name is on the List of Electors, please call the number listed above.

After receiving a mail ballot application, the CRD will send out the applicable mail ballot package commencing on June 29, 2015. If we receive your application at a date that does not permit mailing, you should arrange to pick up a package from the CRD, Legislative & Information Services, at the address listed above. To be counted for the assent voting, your mail ballot must be received by the Chief Election Officer no later than 8 pm on Saturday, July 25, 2015 at the CRD address listed above. It is the obligation of the person applying to vote by mail ballot to ensure that the mail ballot is received by the Chief Election Officer within this time limit.

Elector Qualifications

Resident Elector - You are entitled to vote as a Resident Elector if you are 18 years or older on voting day (July 25, 2015), are a Canadian Citizen, have resided in British Columbia for the past six months and within the boundaries of the **Ganges Sewerage** local service area for the past 30 days. If registering on voting day, you must provide two documents proving identity and residency (one must have a signature). Please note the CRD is using the Provincial Voters List for Resident Electors.

Non-Resident Property Elector - If you are 18 years or older on voting day (July 25, 2015), are a Canadian Citizen, have resided in British Columbia for the past six months, have owned and held registered title to property within the boundaries of the **Ganges Sewerage** local service area for the past 30 days, and do not qualify as a Resident Elector, you may vote as a Non-Resident Property Elector provided that you:

- a) have registered on or before June 26, 2015, or
- b) apply at the time of voting. The following information is required at the time of application:
 - a recent title search, state of title certificate, or property tax notice, showing the names of **all** of the registered owners,
 - 2 pieces of identification proving identity and residency (one must have a signature), and
 - in the case of more than one owner of the property, a completed consent form signed by the majority of the owners designating you as the person entitled to vote for the property (original signatures only; facsimiles of signatures not acceptable). A copy of the consent form may be downloaded from: www.crd.bc.ca/ganges-vote

The following are acceptable classes of documents for proof of identity:

- BC driver's licence
- BC ID card issued by the Motor Vehicle Branch
- BC CareCard or Gold CareCard
- Request for Continued Assistance form SDES8
- Social Insurance Card (Canada)
- Citizenship Card (Canada)
- Real property tax notice (municipal or rural)
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Please Note:

- 1) Only one Non-Resident Property Elector may vote per property, regardless of how many owners there may be. Further, you may vote for only one property, no matter how many properties you own within the service area.
- 2) You may register on voting day if you meet the qualifications set out above. If you are already registered as a Non-Resident Property Elector, (ie. your name appears on the List of Registered Electors annotated with a "P"), and provided that you still meet all of the requirements of the *Local Government Act* in order to be registered under this category, you are not required to re-register in order to vote.
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For questions regarding voting and voter registration call the Capital Regional District at 250.360.3642 or Toll Free 1.800.663.4425 local 3642, or Tom Moore at 250.472.0059.

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LIVE THEATRE

R&B legends channelled in Peter on the Brink show

Original production premieres July 8 at ArtSpring

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A live show like nothing seen before on Salt Spring is getting ready to shake up the ArtSpring stage for four nights beginning Wednesday, July 8.

People who have seen the signs for Peter on the Brink are likely wondering what it's all about. Well, it's certainly not what I imagined it to be: a Woody Allen type comedy of anxiety. In fact, it's more like a live staging of The Commitments with a dash of the Partridge Family and a bonus guardian angel thrown in. But what it really is is a celebration of great R&B and blues classics with a fun storyline to make that possible.

Writer and director Suzanna Laine created the script after collaborating with music director Karen Arney on two cabaret-type offerings over the past year. A Taste of Song featured jazz and show tunes, while A Musical Christmas showcased the holiday theme.

"We wanted to do something with different music, and we decided we wanted to do R&B classics. But we wanted to string them together in a cohesive way, more so than the cabaret did," Laine said. "And we just really wanted to have fun."

Asking around about who wanted to be involved — which included Laine and Arney's sons and their friends — influenced the characters



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

Shyla-Rae Lloyd-Walters sings and Lucas Garrett acts during a rehearsal for Peter on the Brink, which runs at ArtSpring from July 8-11.

and story that Laine put together as an original Just for Fun production.

"The play just evolved as people came on board. There was no casting — everyone came in through a desire to be involved," Laine said.

Peter on the Brink is billed as "an original garage band dramedy in two acts." The humorous story centres on a young man's struggles to break into adulthood and escape the chains of his family and small town through music. The winning vehicle turns out to be Soul Migration, a band that includes Peter's parents and his uncle

along with friends his own age. An unlikely guardian angel named Walter (played with glee by Scott Merrick) provides guidance and comic relief.

The cast is a terrific marriage of established stage musicians from Arney's band playing alongside the next generation, who take on Otis Redding and Aretha Franklin like they were born for it. Eight young people ranging from age 16 to 23 are in the show, with brand-new GISS grad Lucas Garrett starring as Peter and Ashton Bachman taking the lead microphone as Mick, the talented

outsider who brings both success and conflict to the band.

"We're bringing in youth, which is necessary for keeping community theatre alive, but we're also setting the bar higher," Laine said.

As a scion of Canada's premiere rock and roll family, it's not surprising Bachman has picked up some skills along the way. It is extremely surprising, however, to hear the huge voice that emerges from his slender form, which is typically encased in a relaxed, west coast surfer-type demeanor. Anyone who's seen The Commitments will remember the powerful growl that emerged from the lead singer in that film, but to see it happen in person is astonishing.

There is bound to be dancing in the aisles as the band belts out songs like Try a Little Tenderness, Destination Anywhere and I Can't Stand the Rain. After months of intensive practice, the group has gelled into one tight unit.

"We mesh well together. And the music's awesome," Bachman said.

Bachman receives strong support from back-up singers Aryana Lloyd-Walters, Shyla-Rae Lloyd-Walters and Gwen Patrick, each of whom packs a similar talent. Along with Ben Arney and Marcel Rouger, their on-stage cohort includes Daniel Hunter, who composed much of the music for GISPA and GISS theatre productions this year and truly wails on saxophone. The more senior members of the band include the always impressive Jim Schultz, Dave Milutinovic and Patrick Byrne. Karen Arney meanwhile rules the stage from behind the

keyboards and gets a rare chance to show her acting skills as Peter's mom.

"I think it's well-written, and there's a lot of improvisation within the guidelines on the characters, which is a style I'm a fan of," Bachman said. "And it parallels a lot of what young musicians go through."

"And young people," added Ben Arney. "A lot of us are really going through this story right now."

Peter on the Brink runs from Wednesday, July 8 to Saturday, July 11 at ArtSpring starting at 7:30 p.m. all nights. Producers warn there is coarse language that may not be suitable for children.

A video teaser for the play can be viewed on ArtSpring's online events calendar.

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The collection of original posters and tickets called When Art Rocked covers the period from 1966 to 1971 when the convergence of music, art and the counterculture changed the face of poster art

forever. Around 20 different artists created over 500 posters for iconic 1960s rock bands.

Salt Spring's own Randy Bachman and Bill Henderson both played the Fillmore West with the Guess Who and the Collectors respectively.

The gallery has hired a band for the event, consisting of Brent Shindell and Matt Steffich on guitars, Dave Roland on bass and Lorne Burns on drums.

In attendance will be fabled Salt Spring artist Bob Masse, whose own storied

poster art career began in the Vancouver scene in 1966 and continues to this day.

Gallery owner Steffich says of the event, "It's meant to be a celebration of art and music, and we are hoping anyone who grew up during this time, or was influenced by the music, will come by and enjoy the art, the music and friends. This was an amazing period of time when art truly did rock."

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Sue Bayley describes herself as a "nomad artist" who has spent summers on Salt Spring

Island since 1979.

Her acrylic paintings are seen at galleries in B.C. and in Mexico.

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ART OUTDOORS

Landart installations marry nature and technology

ArtCraft the hub for island exploration

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

An interesting combination of site-specific nature-based art and digital technology can be found at ArtCraft this season, whose Mahon Hall home has become the base for artful explorations crafted by Ingrid Koivukangas.

Friday night offered the opening of the inaugural Land Art@ArtCraft show, which features three intriguing projects on the hall's immediate grounds. Fiona Duthie's wave of felt leaves called Respiration enhances the landscaped bed in front of the hall and Stefanie Denz's playful staircase of balsa wood and sheer fabric takes viewers' imagination soaring upward into the treetops, while Donna Cochran and Joan

Carrigan have created an entire oasis of woven willow on the hall's seldom used upper pathway.

Koivukangas has meanwhile used Mahon Hall as a teaser and a starting point for The Salt Spring Island Wayfinding Project, a set of seven ephemeral installations around the island created with materials found on site. Viewers are invited to go out and witness for themselves their unique natural elements, histories and auras.

"Many of us who make this island our home are deeply connected, and interconnected, with her sacred energies. Ganges and Mahon Hall are at the heart of our beautiful island," Koivukangas says in her artist's statement. "My role as artist is to act as a wayfinder, to discover and work intuitively at and from different sites on the island, bringing back visual signs to share with viewers. These visual signs can then act as markers to help facilitate viewers on their own



PHOTO ABOVE BY JEN MACLELLAN; PHOTO AT RIGHT BY INGRID KOIVUKANGAS

Fiona Duthie's felt leaf shapes in the sculpture garden outside Mahon Hall, above, and a shell banner at Burgoyne Bay by Ingrid Koivukangas are part of Landart@ArtCraft this summer.



journey and understanding of the island. "The Wayfinding Project creates a circle of completion through viewer interaction, exploration and ideally the journeying of viewers to the various sites to collect their own experiences. Through the project we are collaborating and creating a web of interconnection between the island, her sites, site energies, stored memories, nature and each other."

The installations are Southey Point Rocks, Welbury Bay Nest, Toynbee Sun Fern, Burgoyne Bay Shells, Burgoyne Bay Yew Spiral, Reginald Hill Maple and Hope Hill Cedar. Koivukangas' artistic journey has led her to reflect on things like the formation of sandstone lacework, her childhood memories and the cultural beliefs of

her Finnish ancestors and local First Nations while at Southey Point, for example. Geology and history intersect again at Burgoyne Bay, where she pondered the significance of shell midden on the surrounding forest ecology.

The responding additions to the landscape — a nest of seaweed cradling upright pinecones, a corona of cedar branches protecting an ancient yew — are intuitive, respectful and purposefully fleeting. Ephemeral literally means lasting for one day; these will hopefully last out the summer.

The hub for exploring these ideas is Mahon Hall's main entrance porch off Rainbow Road, which holds an installation of photographic banners, one for each of the site works.

QR codes printed on the banners' lefthand corners allow people with smart phones to connect to the corresponding website page for each work. Directions to the site and an artist's statement are included on each webpage.

Viewers are invited to journey to the site and collect their own photographic memories and discoveries and then share them on a Flickr page for the project. For those who don't have a smart phone, the information for each work and site is also available at the Mahon Hall installation site and at www.ssiwayfindingproject.com.

HAIDA ART

Special gallery encounter shared

Argillite expert Douglas Wilson drops in to Pegasus Gallery

BY GREG MIDDLETON
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

An older First Nations man walked quietly into Salt Spring Island's Pegasus Gallery the other day.

Without a glance at anything else he walked slowly and deliberately with the help of a cane up to a glass display cabinet.

He stared intently at the half dozen argillite "panel pipes" there. Panel pipes were carved by the Haida as trade goods for the first white explorers and fur traders in the 1800s.

After a few long moments, I said that if he had any questions "be free to ask." I quickly added that we would be happy to listen to anything he could tell us, as it was clear he was studying every line on every pipe.

"I wrote the book on it," he said, quietly, as he was, of course, Douglas Wilson, the author of *Argillite - Art of the Haida*, published by Hancock House in 1980.

"They are beautiful, but there is something about that pipe in the middle," he said.

In a heartbeat curator Pat Fraser was on her feet and asking him how she could help him and digging out the keys to the cabinet.

"We have your book here," Fraser said, pulling it out of a bookshelf.

He told us how he had travelled North America looking at old argillite carvings for the book. He said that in the American museums he was treated as an honoured guest, but in Canada he "practically had to use binoculars" to see the pieces in their locked glass cases.

I was up and pulling out my chair for him and Fraser was opening the cabinet.

With the pipe in question laid out before him he studied every line. Wilson is a master carver in his own right, learning from the greats like his friend and mentors Patrick McGuire and Rufus Moody and teaching many of those still carving today.

Now with Fraser and Wilson bent over the one pipe and several others, and lights adjusted to better illuminate them, Wilson went over all the fine points and differences around the eyes on the figures and in the cross hatching.

These were pieces acquired at auctions or estates by gallery owner Ian Sigvaldason, an expert himself in First Nations art.

Wilson said the one pipe was probably carved after the smallpox outbreak in the 1860s by a younger carver who did not have the more experienced master carvers to call on for all the traditional details.

"But beautifully carved, look at the beak of the bird, so delicate."

He and Fraser talked carvers, whose work Fraser knew well and had in the gallery and Wilson had actually known. She furiously made notes as Wilson relaxed into stories about the old days. She asked questions about things that had puzzled her, like why the back of one argillite pole was curved. It was carved in the style of the cedar totem poles of the time, mostly now long gone, he said.

Wilson revealed that virtually all the argillite from the mid-to-late 1800s was polished by one man "who had the secret."

He confirmed an old story Fraser had heard that a deposit of argillite, which is only found in small deposits in one mountain and only on the Haida Gwaii, was dynamited to get it out, which unfortunately shattered it all.

Now in his 70s and diabetic, Wilson finally said he had to go, but after glancing over a cabinet full of argillite poles and noting one carved by a family member, one by friend and teacher Patrick McGuire and a Rufus Moody pole, he said he would like to come back.

And then his eyes caught sight of one and then another rare argillite platter in other display cases, and he promised to come back, definitely.

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MUSIC & MUNCH

Singers and musicians offer tribute to Billie Holiday

Recital next Wednesday

On July 8 at Music and Munch a group of musicians and singers will come together to celebrate the life and songs of Billie Holiday — AKA Lady Day.

Organizers note it's an auspicious year for the concert, since Holiday would have turned 100 in April if she was still alive.

"Holiday's life was short-lived, but it was one filled with many accomplishments in music," explains a press release about the event. "She recorded hundreds of songs, sang in Carnegie Hall

(with three curtain calls) as well as in many esteemed venues in Europe. In 1954 she played 40 concerts there in 30 days with the Buddy De Franco quartet, the Red Norvo trio, and Beryl Booker's all-woman band. The tour took in Switzerland, Sweden, Germany and Norway. Holiday also toured extensively in the United States with Count Basie and other greats in the jazz world, appeared on The Tonight Show with Steve Allen and, on one occasion, so the story goes, sang in Canada. It is hard to believe that she never had a best-selling record during her lifetime."

Songs that will be performed on July 8 are not from Tin Pan Alley, note organizers.

"Holiday never chose to perform any of this genre. Some say that if she had, she would have had great acclaim and fame. She chose, instead, songs that related to her life and the life of her friends. Although many of these are about loving and losing, and although Holiday could be described, in part, as a tortured soul, she was not a weak and pathetic victim. She was a strong, passionate and interesting woman who chose difficult pathways on which to travel."

One of Holiday's compositions, Billie's Blues, will be part of the program at All Saints, and her signature song, Strange Fruit, will be sung by the entire cast of singers. Strange Fruit was originally a poem written by a New York Jewish school teacher named Abel Meeropol.

"Before Holiday sang Strange Fruit, she always asked people to imagine the most horrible lynching scene they could. The spotlight would come up on her, she would sing Strange Fruit and then the light would go off. Holiday would be gone. Angela Davis noted in her book that her intent

in doing this was to evoke solidarity. In the presentation at Music and Munch, the singers will turn their backs to the audience after singing their part of this song . . . by the end of the song, they will theoretically be 'gone.'"

Each singer in this tribute has chosen one of their favourite Billie Holiday songs and will present it in their own style. It is not the intention of the group to try to imitate Holiday in any way.

The free concert begins at 12:10 p.m. in All Saints' by-the-Sea, followed by a delicious light lunch. Lunch tickets must be purchased before the performance.

DANCE PERFORMANCE

Human evolution in Primordial

ArtSpring residency caps two-year development process

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The evolution of the human spirit all the way from the species' reptilian past to enlightenment and back again is the inspiration for a new dance performance being presented at ArtSpring this Saturday, July 4.

Salt Spring dancer Kristen Lewis and her husband, multimedia artist David Westcott, have been working on the project for the past two years, developing all the choreography, sound and visual elements necessary to create a rich stage presence. As seen at the end of a recent four-day residency at ArtSpring where Lewis and Westcott were joined by lighting director Marv Coulthard, the journey has yielded profound results, as Lewis delivers an emotionally and physically demanding offering.

"For any dancer to sustain 35 minutes of non-stop performance takes Olympic-level strength and endurance," Westcott said. "Kristen has

trained as a world-class runner so she has the stamina and focus to get through it and she knows what kind of training she needs to get her there.

"Once on stage she surrenders it all to the performance and lets the great creator take over. And it's awesome."

Westcott observed the pair has addressed some hard-hitting, controversial topics in past collaborations.

"This is more about the birth of human life, and of love, and struggle, and accepting spirit into our lives."

The performance is set entirely to the music of Peter Gabriel, including several pieces from his album *Pasien*, the stirring soundtrack to *The Last Temptation of Christ*.

The show opens with Lewis encased in shiny black, dancing against ArtSpring's high-definition screen where images of lava, lightning and Komodo dragons are projected. She mimics the prehistoric-looking reptile's movements with a low slithering scuttle, whose effects are amplified by a green laser and smoke.

As the human archetype moves out of the mud and into higher consciousness, Lewis sheds the black for

white. Moments of grace are symbolized in the pure tones and simple costumes, and in dance movements performed in the body's highest elevation. The dance moves through sacred offering and self-awareness to the struggles of a less connected culture, in which angst and self-doubt become dominant. The final scene is danced in front of images of New York City, its paramount urban construction the environment for human suffering.

While the choreography is highlighted and enhanced by the projected images and lighting design, Westcott noted the temptation can be for technicians to move too far in that direction, so finding the right balance is an important part of the artistic process. The result is a well-rounded visual experience, but Lewis would be riveting to watch all on her own. Seeing her strong dancer's body at work is itself a fascinating exercise. She also infuses her art with deeply felt emotional expression that's immediately tangible to the audience.

Primordial is at ArtSpring for one night only on July 4 at 8 p.m.

The show is recommended for audiences aged 13 or older.



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what's on this week

Tues. June 30

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jaquest.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Allison Crowe Trio.

With special guest Billie Woods. Concert at All Saints' By-the-Sea. 8 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Tuesday Farmers' Market. Centennial Park. 2 to 6 p.m.

Art Show Opening Reception at The Point Gallery.

Opening reception for work by Stefanie and Frieda Denz in the Lower Gallery and Manon Fraser in the Upper Gallery. With a performance by dancer Robbyn Scott. The Point Gallery. 6 to 9 p.m.

Wed. July 1

ACTIVITIES

Canada Day Festivities.

Classic car show with music and food from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at school fields near Jackson Ave.; Canada Day cake at 12 noon; Wellness Fair with mini treatments at Rotary Marine Park from 3 to 7 p.m.; West of the Moon Kidz Zone with hot dogs, games and activities at Rotary Park from 7 to 9 p.m., plus TJ Beans ball toss from the Oystercatcher; plus fireworks at dusk in Ganges Harbour.

Poker Night at The Local.

Hosted by Albert every Wednesday at The Local. Sign up by 6:30 p.m., start 7 p.m.

Thurs. July 2

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Devarrow.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Duck Creak.

Live music at The Local pub. 5 to 8 p.m.

Open Mic with Ross and Dave.

Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

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Wed. July 1

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Music & Munch.

Sue Newman and friends present a dinner-theatre-like show at All Saints. Free music begins at 12:10 p.m., followed by an optional lunch.

Coastal Giant.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Duck Creak at Duck Creek Farm.

A tribute to farmer 'Johnny Canuck' Wilcox, with opening act Cowboy Ted. Bring a picnic and blanket/chair. Duck Creek Farm. 7:30 p.m.

Barefoot Thieves Canada Day Party.

Moby's Pub. 8 p.m.

Fri. July 3

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Friday WineDown TGIF at Salt Spring Vineyards.

With local musicians Frank Huether and Skywater. Salt Spring Vineyards. 4 to 6 p.m.

The Costners.

Live music at The Local pub. 5 to 8 p.m.

Brent Shindell.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Entangados.

World music made in Cordoba. Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

Satyaki with Ill-Esha

All night bass party with quality EDM, dojo-style sub-bass jams and a very special headlining guest, west coast bass queen Ill-Esha. Beaver Point Hall. 8 p.m. More info: www.bassdojo.com

ACTIVITIES

Anna Gustafson Art Show Opening.

She Said... new work by Anna Gustafson opens at MacDonald Realty with a reception from 4 to 6 p.m.

Patrick Taylor Author Reading.

International bestselling author Dr. Patrick Taylor reads from Only Wounded, a recently re-released book of short stories. Salt Spring Library Program Room. 5 p.m.

Full Trance Channel Session.

Full trance channel Tina Spalding channels Ananda and Jesus at Neptune Farm. 6 to 9 p.m.

Sat. July 4

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Barley Bros.

Live music every Saturday. The Local. 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Clay George and Dan Howlett.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Primordial.

An original solo dance performance by Kristen Lewis, recommended for audiences aged 13 or older. ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

Mindil Beach.

Live blend of rock, hip hop and funk. Moby's Pub. 9 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Saturday Market.

Famous market event with all items made, baked or grown by Salt Spring residents. Centennial Park. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Michael and Helga Bagnell 25th Anniversary Party.

Potluck appreciated; everybody welcome. Noon onwards at Fulford Hall.

Elementals Art Show Opening.

Reception for Elementals by Brent Comber, plus Summer Lights illuminated sculpture garden opens for the summer. Duthie Gallery. 8 to 10 p.m.

Art Show Opening: When Art Rocked.

Psychedelic poster art from the legendary Fillmore West, Avalon Ballroom and Winterland in San Francisco. Steffich Fine Art. Doors at 7 p.m. Live music at 8 p.m.

Sun. July 5

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Sunday Afternoon Music in the Vines at SS Vineyards.

Live music in the vineyard with Synergy. Salt Spring Vineyards. Tastings 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., music 2 to 4 p.m.

Bob & Alice.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Celebrating the Islands Trust.

With Briony Penn, Peter Lamb & the Gaia Soul Sistahs. Bring photos, etc. Lions Hall. 7 p.m.

Mon. July 6

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Vaughn Fulford.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Tues. July 7

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jaquest.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Tuesday Farmers' Market.

Centennial Park. 2 to 6 p.m.

SSI Water Protection Authority.

Public info meeting to present St. Mary Lake Septic Monitoring Program 2014-15 Results. Community Gospel Chapel. 4 to 6 p.m.

Wed. July 8

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Music & Munch. Tribute to Billie Holiday by island musicians and singers. All Saints' By-the-Sea church. Free recital at 12:10 p.m., followed by optional lunch.

Bill Nash, Dale Bishop & Armand Albert Jr.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10 p.m.

Peter on the Brink. An original garage band dramedy featuring R&B classics at ArtSpring. 7:30 p.m.

Wed. July 8

ACTIVITIES

Poker Night at the Local. See last Wednesday's listing.

SongJam.

Join us at Moby's Pub to sing-along pub style - with a twist - to the soundtrack of our lives. Hit songs with lyrics handed out. 8 to 10 p.m.

Computer Drop-in Help.

Free help with phones, tablets, computers, etc. every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at SS Literacy.



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Billie Holiday Tribute

At Music & Munch

Wednesday, July 8th

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CINEMA

- Inside Out** — Another outstanding Pixar movie. Riley is guided by her emotions — Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness. The emotions live in Headquarters, and advise her through life. Joy, Riley's main emotion, tries to keep positive, and the emotions conflict on how to navigate her life in a new city.
- Spy** — Starring Melissa McCarthy. When her partner (Jude Law) falls off the grid and another top agent is compromised, a deskbound CIA analyst (McCarthy) volunteers to go undercover to infiltrate the world of a deadly arms dealer and prevent global disaster.

EXHIBITIONS

- When Art Rocked**, an exhibit of psychedelic poster art, opens at Steffich Fine Art on Saturday, July 4. Doors at 7 p.m. Live music at 8 p.m.
- Duthie Gallery** presents **Brent Comber: Elementals** — wall pieces, solid forms and a major new installation with an opening on Saturday, July 4 from 8 to 10 p.m.
- Summer Lights illuminated sculpture garden is open nightly from dusk to midnight through mid-September at **Duthie Gallery**.
- It's You and Me, drawings and words by **Stefanie** and **Frieda Denz**, and My Melodrama, photography by **Manon Fraser**, runs daily at **The Point Gallery** through July from 1 to 6 p.m. (Opening reception on Tues., June 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. with a dance performance by Robbyn Scott.

- She Said... new work by **Anna Gustafson** opens at **MacDonald Realty** in Ganges with a reception on Friday, July 3 from 4 to 6 p.m.
- Landart@ArtCraft** — three outdoor installations around **Mahon Hall** — runs daily around Mahon Hall in Ganges. Plus explore the SSI Wayfinding Project.
- ArtCraft** — the 48th-annual SS Arts Council show and sale — runs daily at **Mahon Hall** from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The current Showcase exhibit is called **Aura**, featuring painter **Nicola Morgan** and furniture makers **Barry Chattell** and **Ian Cobane**.
- Salt Spring Gallery** features new works On the Wall by **Dawn Davies**, **Sheila Hoen**, **Ilse Leader** and **Rachel Vadeboncoeur**.
- Activate** — an exhibit of new work by jeweller **Jan Smith** and painter **Michela Sorrentino** — shows at Pod **Contemporary** daily until July 31.
- Denise Okan** shows photographic composites and hand-painted works in an exhibit titled **Summer Within** at **Fernwood Road Cafe** daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. until July 11.
- Sue Bayley** shows **Creatures with Character**, an exhibit of acrylic paintings, in the lobby and restaurant at the **Harbour House Hotel**.
- Pegasus Gallery** presents historic **Sampson-Matthews** prints and gallery owner Ian Sigvaldason's related book called **Art for War and Peace**.
- Elehna de Sousa's** photography exhibit called **West Coast Birds** is on at **Country Grocer Café** through the month of July.

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D.W. Salty is looking for material for his column, **Streets of Salt Spring Island**

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ISLAND YOUTH

Emma Bishop joins top achiever ranks

GISS student attends elite science camp

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Less than a week after the last day of school, Salt Spring's Emma Bishop is set to crack open the books as she lives and learns with some of the brightest young scientific minds from across Canada.

"I'm really looking forward to meeting other people with the same interests as me and learning lots more," Bishop said during an interview last week.

The 16-year-old Gulf Islands Secondary School student has just finished Grade 11 and has never been away from home for more than two weeks. On Friday she leaves for Ottawa, where she'll move into a university residence and immerse herself in a month of science, math, engineering and technology.

Bishop's time at souped-up science summer camp will involve lab projects, self-directed research and plenty of opportunities to collaborate with like-minded kids from the rest of Canada.



Emma Bishop: off to Ottawa for SHAD program.

She applied to the program earlier this year after her chemistry teacher Bo Curtis gave her a brochure for the STEM program, which is offered in universities across the country by an Ontario-based charity called SHAD. Bishop already had the grades and a passion to learn but sealed the deal with a

persuasive essay about the role of creativity in scientific research and development.

Bishop has loved chemistry and biology for as long as she can recall. She likes the way science explains the world around her and appreciates the infinite number of applications her favourite disciplines have in daily life.

Approximately 658 youth from across Canada have been offered spots at one of 12 host universities linked to the SHAD program.

"SHAD exposes bright youth to advanced topics and takes them out of their comfort zones. SHAD supports them to discover new ways to learn, engage, experiment and excel," said Barry Bisson, SHAD president, in a news release. "Interacting directly with renowned university faculty and visionary corporate leaders gives participants a glimpse of their future, and raises their aspirations and ability to make a difference."

SHAD students compete for prestigious internships and join an alumni network that includes Rhodes Scholars, Loran Scholars, Schulich Leaders and other noteworthy academic and professional distinctions.

ISLANDS TRUST

Awards recognize Grace Islet group

Groups and individuals from four islands acknowledged

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Salt Spring's Protect Grace Islet group is among this year's list of Community Stewardship Award winners announced at a meeting of Trust Council on Galiano Island last week.

"It feels good to have wave after wave of support from people of many different walks of life and from local citizen groups and governance," said Joe Akerman, one of the group's coordinators, in an interview that followed news of the win.

"As a community, we have been able to strengthen relations with our local First Nations through meaningful and culturally sensitive dialogue and engagement."

Protect Grace Islet was one of four groups and three individuals from across the Trust's jurisdiction to win an award. This year marks the 14th-annual Community Stewardship Awards celebration. Prizes are awarded to nominated groups or individuals who are felt to uphold the Trust's preserve and protect mandate.

The Saturna Island Marine Research and Education Society was recognized for its ongoing programs, and Gabriola Island's Island Futures Society received an award for its work to set up the GERTIE commu-

nity bus service.

The Mayne Island Agricultural Society received an enduring achievement award for its 53 years of work to encourage and promote Mayne's deep cultural heritage.

Winners in the individual category are Michael Dunn, a resident of Mayne Island; Susan Yates of Gabriola Island; and Leigh Ann Milman, also from Gabriola Island.

"Taking a step back from our privilege and sense of entitlement to listen, acknowledge and take action in solidarity with First Nations is important as we continue to move forward with many years of tangible reconciliation efforts."

JOE AKERMAN
Coordinator,
Protect Grace Islet campaign

"The Community Stewardship Awards program gives us the opportunity to formally recognize islanders for their dedication and commitment to ensuring our unique island amenities, environment and culture are preserved for generations to come,"

said Peter Luckham, chair of Islands Trust Council. "The task of choosing a few recipients from so many strong nominations was a very tough one."

Salt Spring's Grace Islet group received a special award that recognizes advocacy and First Nations relationship building. The group was nominated by the Salt Spring Island Conservancy.

Akerman was one of several islanders who successfully campaigned to prevent construction of a home on a First Nations burial site in Ganges Harbour.

"The full truth of our shared history has for the most part only recently been revealed and accounted for," he said. "Taking a step back from our privilege and sense of entitlement to listen, acknowledge and take action in solidarity with First Nations is important as we continue to move forward with many years of tangible reconciliation efforts."

The awards will be presented during Local Trust Committee meetings on the winners' home islands later this summer.

Since its inception in 2002, 76 awards have been given to individuals and organizations in the Trust area.

Beginning in 2015, the program will run every two years to increase the number of applicants and decrease program costs, according to information from the Islands Trust. The nomination period for the next round of awards will open in March 2017.

SSIWPA is a collaborative, inter-agency roundtable for watershed management on Salt Spring Island. It includes a Steering Committee, and both Technical and Public Advisory working groups.

SSIWPA announces:

A Public Information Meeting to present "St. Mary Lake Septic Monitoring Program 2014-2015 Results" on Tuesday, July 7 at the Community Gospel Chapel (147 Vesuvius Bay Rd.) from 4:00 - 6:00 pm.

A meeting of its Public Advisory Group and the Steering Committee. This meeting is open to the public. Monday, July 6 at SSI Library Program Room (124 McPhillips Ave.) from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm.

Since November, 2014, all of SSIWPA (including Advisory Groups) has followed a structured process to form objectives and actions in a new Integrated Watershed Management Plan for St. Mary Lake. The Draft Plan will be released for public comments and input during July 14 - August 14, 2015. Information about the Draft Plan will be made available at www.ssiwatersheds.ca, and at the Information Desk at the Library during that period. Locations and times for community discussion about the Draft Plan will be posted to the Salt Spring Exchange. Any questions about the water treatment or the weir at St. Mary Lake should be addressed directly to North Salt Spring Waterworks District.

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- All terrain vehicles (ATVs) produce an enormous amount of heat and can ignite brush from their exhaust systems.
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WEDNESDAY

SALT SPRING PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB meets on the second Wednesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Harbour House Crofton Room.
SOUTH SALT SPRING SENIORS meet on the last Wednesday of each month at Fulford Hall at 2 p.m.

every WEDNESDAY

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP for people caring for individuals with Alzheimers and others. Every Wednesday at Salt Spring Seniors (379 Lower Ganges Rd.) at 11 a.m. Info: Margaret Monro, 250-537-5004.
CHAIR YOGA with Celeste Mallett Jason at Ganges Yoga Studio. 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
COMPUTER DROP-IN HELP — Free help with computer, tablet, smartphone problems at Salt Spring Literacy. Drop in at 126 Hereford Ave. between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
DUPLICATE BRIDGE group meets at Salt Spring Seniors. 12:45 p.m.
HOT HATHA YOGA at the Nest hot yoga. 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and Moksha-inspired Level 1 hot yoga from 12 to 1 p.m. and 6 to 7:15 p.m. CLOSED ON JULY 1st. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
MEDITATION GROUP suitable for beginners meets at Salt Spring Seniors from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Everyone welcome. Info: Deb Stevenson, 250-930-5333.
MEDITATION MEETINGS and teachings with the Salt Spring Vipassana Society. The Gatehouse at Stowel Lake Farm. Teachings offered by donation with Insight Meditation teacher Heather Martin. 7 to 8:30 p.m.
MEN'S BRIDGE at Salt Spring Seniors at 7 p.m.
NEIGHBOURHOOD YOGA WITH CATE in the south end — out in nature, weather permitting. 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Contact Cate McEwen: c.mcewen@shaw.ca; 250-653-9148
PILATES CLASS with Anna Haltrecht at Cats Pajamas Studio, 104 Langs Rd. 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Info/register: anna@bonesforever.com Pilates is a body conditioning system that builds flexibility and long, lean muscles, strength and endurance. Class on Thursday, July 2 this month. No class on July 1, 15, 22 or 29.
RASPBERRY PI computer science group for teens meets at the Salt Spring Public Library from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
SINGING BOWLS & VOCAL VIBRATIONS with Adam Huber at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7:30 to 9 p.m.
SSI ROTARY CLUB meets each Wednesday for a deliciously prepared lunch with community focused speakers and presentations at the Harbour House Hotel from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.
STANDUP PADDLEBOARD workshops run at 5:30 and 7 p.m., and SUP yoga classes 7:30 and 8:45 p.m. at Salt Spring Adventure Co. Every Wednesday excluding July 1 and Aug. 26 through to Sept. 16.
TAOIST TAI CHI at All Saints By-the-Sea, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (With beginners' classes from 6:30 to 8 p.m.) Info: David, 250-537-1871.
YOGA LEVEL 1 with Celeste Mallett Jason at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9 to 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
YOGA with Dorothy Price. At The Gatehouse at Stowel Lake Farm. 9 to 10:30 a.m.
ZEN MEDITATION at 210 Cedar Lane at 7 p.m. Call 250-653-2411 for details. Newcomers always welcome.

THURSDAY

BOOK CLUB meets on the second Thursday at Salt Spring Seniors in the lounge at 1:30 p.m.
BRIDGE runs at Salt Spring Seniors on the first and third Thursdays at 12:45 p.m.
LIBRARY BOOK CLUB open to all meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at the library. 1 to 3 p.m.
TRANSCENDENTAL MEDITATION — Group meditations for all who have learned TM. Last Thursday of each month 7:30 p.m. Call 778-353-3014 for address and more information. Free introductory lectures by appointment.

every THURSDAY

AL-ANON for friends and families of alcoholics meets at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church rear annex. 12 noon.
BELLYFIT class with Trina Aspinall at Ganges Yoga Studio. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
CHAKRA TONING with Deborah Stevenson at Still Point Yoga Studio. 3:30 to 5 p.m.
DANCE CLASS with Anna Haltrecht at Cats Pajamas Studio RESUMES IN THE FALL.
DANCE TEMPLE at Beaver Point Hall from 7 to 9 p.m.
EVERYBODY MOVE — a morning aerobics fitness class with Catherine Bennett at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. NO CLASSES IN JULY.
FELDENKRAIS AWARENESS THROUGH MOVEMENT™ CLASS with Alice Friedman at The Gatehouse, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Info: Alice Friedman, 250-653-4332, alice@saltspring.com.
MEN'S YOGA with Ken Katz at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9 to 10:30 a.m.
VINYASA YOGA at the Nest hot yoga. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. PLUS Hot Hatha from 10 to 11 a.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
SALTY WHEELS SQUARE DANCE CLUB meets at 734 Upper Ganges Road. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Info: Marilyne, 250-537-5356.
SENIORS LUNCH runs at Salt Spring Seniors at 12 noon.
STAY AND PLAY DROP-IN for parents and caregivers and their children aged 0-6. Family Place. 12:30 to 3 p.m.
SUNRISE KUNDALINI YOGA with Jasleen MacKeigan at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7 to 8 a.m.
TAOIST TAI CHI for beginners at All Saints By-the-Sea, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Info: David, 250-537-1871.
TENNIS — LADIES DOUBLES public drop-in at Portlock Park. 8 to 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.
YAMUNA BODY ROLLING with Bonnie at Ganges Yoga Studio. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
YANG YIN YOGA at the Nest hot yoga. 7 to 8:15 p.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
YIN YOGA with Robert Prince at Ganges Yoga Studio. 6:45 to 8 p.m.
YOGA WITH DOROTHY PRICE for all levels at SS Centre of Yoga from 4:30 to 6 p.m.



every FRIDAY

BRIDGE GAMES run at Salt Spring Seniors at 12:30 p.m.
COFFEE TIME for seniors is at Salt Spring Seniors at 10 a.m.
CONJURING CLUB — Join magician Shaun Luttin for 90-minute lessons in conjuring and sleight-of-hand. SS Library. 3:30 p.m. Register at shaun@bigfont.ca.
EVERYBODY STRETCH — Everyday stretches for the everyday body to classical music with Catherine Bennett. NO CLASSES IN JULY.
FELDENKRAIS AWARENESS THROUGH MOVEMENT™ CLASS with Anna Haltrecht at Cats Pajamas Studio, 104 Langs Rd., 10 to 11 a.m. Move with less pain and stress by learning how to make any activity more effective and more enjoyable. No class July 10, 17 or 24. Info/register: anna@bonesforever.com.
MAH JONGG players gather at Salt Spring Seniors at 12:15 p.m.
MEAT DRAW at the Legion. 5 p.m.
MIXED LEVELS YOGA with Celeste at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9 to 10:30 a.m.
NOON FLOW YOGA at Ganges Yoga Studio. 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
STAY AND PLAY DROP-IN for parents and caregivers and their children aged 0-6. Family Place. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
STORYTIME — ideal for kids aged 3 to 6 and their families. SS Library. 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.
SUNSET FLOW YOGA at Ganges Yoga Studio. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
TENNIS - MIXED DOUBLES public drop-in at Portlock Park. 8 to 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.

every SATURDAY

DAD 'N' ME PANCAKE BREAKFAST at Family Place. For dads and kids aged 0 to 6. 8:30 to 10 a.m.
MEAT DRAW at the Legion. 5 p.m.
MIXED LEVELS YOGA with Celeste Mallett Jason at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9 to 10:30 a.m.
TAOIST TAI CHI at All Saints from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Open practice. Info: David, 250-537-1871
TODDLERTIME at the library for children under four and their families. 10:30 a.m. NOTE new day and time.
VINYASA Yoga at The Nest hot yoga. 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com

SUNDAY

REIKI/ENERGY SHARE GROUP is on the last Sunday of each month at Ganges Yoga Studio. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

every SUNDAY

KUNDALINI YOGA with Jaya Levesque at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9:30 to 11 a.m.
POKER at the Legion. 1 p.m.
TAI CHI CLASSES — For ongoing students, beginners and visitors with Osman Phillips at Cedar Lane Studio. 12:45 p.m. Info: 250-537-5667
UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP is taking a break for July and August. See www.saltspringunitarians.com for info.

MONDAY

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC on the last Monday of each month at SS Seniors. 10 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.
SSI FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT trustees hold their business meetings on the third Monday of each month at the SSI United Church, lower hall. 7 p.m. Public welcome.
SSI PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION meets on the third Monday of each month at the SS Library Program Room. 4 to 6 p.m. Public welcome.
SSI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION meets on the fourth Monday of each month at the SS Library Program Room. 4 to 6 p.m. Public welcome.

every MONDAY

BEGINNERS/LEVEL 1 YOGA with Celeste Mallett Jason at Ganges Yoga Studio. 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
CHESS GROUP meets at Salt Spring Seniors from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
DUPLICATE BRIDGE meets every Monday at 6:45 p.m. at Salt Spring Seniors Services. Info: Ganges Laundry at 250-653-9095 or pastorela@shaw.ca.
EVERYBODY STRETCH — Everyday stretches for the everyday body to classical music with Catherine Bennett. NO CLASSES IN JULY.
FELDENKRAIS AWARENESS THROUGH MOVEMENT™ CLASS with Alice Friedman at The Gatehouse, 190 Reynolds Rd., 9 to 10 a.m. Info: Alice Friedman, 250-653-4332, alice@saltspring.com.
KUNDALINI YOGA FOR BEGINNERS and others at North End Fitness. 1 to 2:10 p.m.
LIFE DRAWING every Monday at the Core Inn (third floor). 1 to 3 p.m. Info: Jose Campbell, 250-537-1121. Drop-ins welcome.
MOKSHA-INSPIRED FLOW HOT YOGA at The Nest hot yoga. 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and Level 1 from noon to 1 p.m. (silently led practice) and from 6 to 7:15 p.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
MOVEMENT INTELLIGENCE CLASS with Anna Haltrecht at Cats Pajamas Studio RESUMES IN THE FALL.
READERS' THEATRE meets at Salt Spring Seniors from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
TAI CHI CLASSES — Chen Style with Osman Phillips at Cedar Lane Studio. 6:30 to 8 p.m. Info: 250-537-5667
TAOIST TAI CHI at All Saints By-the-Sea. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Beginner and continuing class. Info: David, 250-537-1871.
TOASTMASTERS public speaking group meets Mondays at the Catholic Church, lower room, 135 Drake Rd. 7 p.m. sharp.
THE CLINIC by OPT: Options for Sexual Health is open every Monday at the Core Inn 2nd floor. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. 250-537-8786.
VIPASSANA MEDITATION with Nicola Bishop at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7 to 8:15 p.m.
YOGA WITH DOROTHY PRICE for all levels at the Salt Spring Centre of Yoga. 4:30 to 6 p.m.
YOGA FOR HIPS AND SHOULDERS with Celeste Mallett Jason at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
YOGA ON THE WALL with Celeste or Jayne Lloyd-Jones at Ganges Yoga Studio. 4 to 5 p.m.

TUESDAY

PROBUS group for retired professionals/business people meets on the second Tuesday of each month at Meaden Hall at 10 a.m. with special guest speakers each time. Info: probus.ssi@gmail.com

every TUESDAY

ART GROUP meets at Salt Spring Seniors at 1 p.m.
BELLYFIT class with Trina Aspinall at Ganges Yoga Studio. 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
CHAIR YOGA WITH CATE at the Fulford Hall Seniors Room. 2 to 3:15 p.m. c.mcewen@shaw.ca, 250-653-9148
CHESS GROUP plays games at Salt Spring Seniors. 6:30 p.m.
EVERYBODY MOVE — a morning aerobics fitness class with Catherine Bennett. NO CLASSES IN JULY.
IYENGAR YOGA with Jayne Lloyd-Jones at her Yoga In Salt Spring Studio, 238 Park Drive. 4:30 to 6 p.m.
KUNDALINI MOVING MEDITATION from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and **ECKHART TOLLE PRACTISING PRESENCE** from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Info: Amrita, 250-537-2799.
LOST CHORDS seniors choir practices at Salt Spring Seniors. 10:30 a.m.
MOKSHA-INSPIRED FLOW HOT YOGA at the Nest hot yoga. 5:30 to 7 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
PADDLE & PLAY at Vesuvius Beach. For parents and caregivers and their children aged 0 to 6. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
SS SEARCH & RESCUE — Learn ground survival, search and rescue techniques at the SAR Hall. 7 to 9 p.m. Or phone Chuck Hamilton, 250-537-6601.
SMARTSOMATICS classes with Nelly Kosteljk at North End Fitness from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Info: 250-537-2056 or <http://smartsomatics.shawwebpage.ca/>.
SUNRISE FLOW YOGA with Thea Wood at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7 to 8 a.m.
TAI CHI CLASSES — Yang Style with Osman Phillips at Cedar Lane Studio. 6:30 to 8 p.m. Info: 250-537-5667
TAOIST TAI CHI at All Saints By-the-Sea, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Info: David, 250-537-1871.
TECH TUTORING with John at the SS Library. Register for sessions between 2 and 5 p.m.
TENNIS - MEN'S DOUBLES public drop-in at Portlock Park. 8 to 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.
UBUNTU sacred chants with Barb Slater. Ganges Yoga Studio. 1 to 2:30 p.m.
VINYASA FLOW at the Nest hot yoga. 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Info: theshothyoga@gmail.com
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ENVIRONMENT

Salish Sea Tour drops anchor

Climate change challenge on tap

Concerned citizens embarking on an epic solar-powered catamaran journey to celebrate the Salish Sea and the communities along its shores will be on Salt Spring to describe their project on Sunday, July 12.

The boat will dock in six communities to speak with people about the threats facing a unique body of water, to share stories and connect with community members interested in taking on the challenge of climate change locally.

Members of the public are invited to view the

boat, visit an information booth and enjoy live music by local artist Luke Wallace at Centennial Park from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Then at 7 p.m., the event continues with free music, storytelling and discussion at All Saints' By-the-Sea Anglican Church.

"Fossil fuel companies want to ship massive quantities of oil, coal and gas through the Salish Sea, putting the ecosystem, economy and communities at risk," state the organizers. "Join us at one of our stops to learn how you can be part of the movement to 'Save the Salish Sea' from becoming a carbon corridor."

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Heat-loving winners happy

More warm evenings on the way

BY JILL EVANS
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

BRIDGETRICKS

Some like it hot, right? So those who do must have been happy on the balmy evening of June 15. There were six and a half tables, resulting in a Mitchell movement with stationary North-South players and circulating East-West, and two sets of winners. Hottest stuff North-South were Glenda Kaiser and her perennial summertime partner, Terry Wilkinson. Ian Thomas and Zelly Taylor sizzled into second, with Liz and Oleh Mycyk warming the third spot.

East-West players saw George Laundry and Paul Retalack blaze into first place, with Flo Laundry and Lynn Thorburn on fire in the second spot. Al Wilke and Nadene McCoy glowed in third and the rest fanned themselves and hoped for better outcomes next time.

June 22 was the longest day of the year and this time there were five and half tables enjoying a warm breeze and a Howell movement with everyone (almost) moving around. It was the Mycyks who topped the list this time, with Paul Retalack partnered by Jeff Bell in second place. The Wilke-McCoy pair came third, and the fourth spot was occupied by Patricia Brown and Jill Evans.

And as the evening came to an end at about 10:15 p.m. it was good to see the sky still a glowing blue with lots of light for the drive home, but not so hot to think that the days will be getting shorter now.

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Jewellery in demand for fundraiser

Jewels join books at annual sale

Salt Spring Literacy hopes all that glitters is gold for its non-profit organization with the launch of a Jewels for Literacy fundraising initiative.

Islanders' unwanted jewellery pieces will be collected and then cleaned and repaired as necessary, with a corner of the Giant Book Sale event at

the Farmers' Institute devoted to a jewellery sale.

Collection containers are now at the new Mondo Trading Co. store in Ganges, Café Talia and at SSL's Elma Rubright Learning Centre, with all donations welcomed.

The Giant Book Sale runs this year from Nov. 20-22. Book donation bins are at Rock Salt Restaurant, Island Savings, CIBC and BMO.



ISLANDS TRUST GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee will hold a community information meeting and public hearing within a Regular Local Trust Committee Business Meeting on the following proposed bylaws:

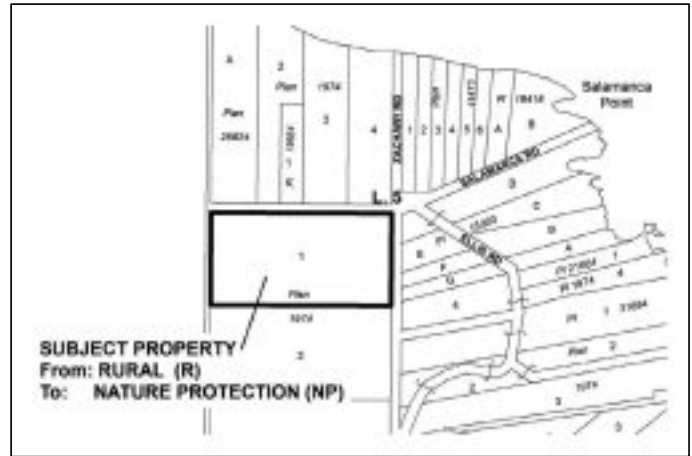
- Proposed Bylaw No. 252 – cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2015"; and
- Proposed Bylaw No. 251 – cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2015".

for the purpose of allowing the public to make representations to the Local Trust Committee respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws at 12:30 p.m., Monday, July 6, 2015, at the Galiano South Community Hall, 141 Sturdies Bay Road, Galiano Island, BC.

At the public hearing all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaws.

Proposed Bylaw No. 252 – cited as "Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 108, 1995, Amendment No. 1, 2015"

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 252 is to amend the Galiano Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No.108, 1995, Schedule B (Land Use Designations) in order to re-designate the lands legally described as Lot 1, Block 9, District Lot 5, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, Plan 1974 as depicted in the map to the right:



Proposed Bylaw No. 251 – cited as "Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Amendment No. 2, 2015"

In general terms, the purpose of Proposed Bylaw No. 251 is to amend the Galiano Island Land Use Bylaw No. 127, 1999, Schedule B (Zoning Map) in order to rezone the lands legally described as Lot 1, Block 9, District Lot 5, Galiano Island, Cowichan District, Plan 1974 as depicted in the map below:



A copy of the proposed bylaws and any background material that may be considered by the Local Trust Committee in respect of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at the Islands Trust Office, #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, **commencing June 24, 2015 and up to and including July 3, 2015.**

For the convenience of the public only, and not to satisfy Section 892(2) (e) of the *Local Government Act*, additional copies of the proposed bylaws may be inspected at various Notice Boards on Galiano Island, B.C., commencing **July 24, 2015.** The proposed bylaws can also be viewed on the internet at www.islandstrust.bc.ca by selecting the Galiano bylaws webpage: www.islandstrust.bc.ca/galiano/current-applications.

Written submissions may be delivered to:

1. The office of the Islands Trust by mail at #200 - 1627 Fort Street, Victoria, B.C. V8R 1H8, by Fax (250) 405-5155 prior to **4:30 p.m., Friday, July 3, 2015**
2. By email to vicphsub@islandstrust.bc.ca.
3. After **4:30 p.m., July 3, 2015** to the Local Trust Committee at the Community Information Meeting & Public Hearing at **12:30 pm, Monday, July 6, 2015.**

The public is encouraged to send any electronic response to vicphsub@islandstrust.bc.ca. The Islands Trust does not guarantee that any email submission will be received by the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee. Reasonable efforts will be made to provide email submissions, if they are opened and received, to the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee for consideration, but the public should not rely on email as a means of providing a written submission.

Written comments made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Inquiries regarding the proposed bylaws may be directed to the Islands Trust Office, Kim Farris, Planner, at (250) 405-5194 or, for Toll Free access, request a transfer via Enquiry BC: In Vancouver (604) 660-2421 and elsewhere in BC 1-800-663-7867.

NO REPRESENTATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE GALIANO ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Sharon Lloyd-deRosario, Deputy Secretary

Capital Regional District

CRD

Notice of Applications/Nominations for Membership Southern Gulf Islands Harbours Commission

The Capital Regional District (CRD) invites applications/nominations from residents interested in sitting on the Southern Gulf Islands Harbours Commission to provide direction with respect to the planning, acquisition, development, restructure maintenance and operation of small craft harbour facilities to serve the residents of the Southern Gulf Islands. There are upcoming vacancies for Commissioners representing Galiano Island, South Pender Island and Piers Island.

Meetings are held at 9 am on the third Thursday of every second month on the Saanich Peninsula. Appointments will be for a two (2) year term commencing October 2015.

Please send us a one-page summary telling about yourself, your area of expertise, which location you wish to represent and why you would like to serve on the Commission.

Deadline for receipt of applications is **August 14, 2015**.

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Q&A

Island greenhouse models efficiency



PHOTO BY JEN MACLELLAN

Jane Squier in her Salt Spring greenhouse, which is open for the Eco Living and Home Tour at the end of July.

Jane Squier, whose property is on the Eco Living and Home Tour at the end of July, harvests most of her own food, including many vegetables plus a variety of subtropical fruit, and markets year-round hydroponic produce wholesale in an extraordinary 6,000-square-foot greenhouse. The facility includes a 90 per cent efficient wood gasifier furnace that heats water piped into a 4,400-gallon cistern with hyperadobe walls for long-lasting heat storage in winter; an experimental anaerobic digester that converts household and greenhouse waste into fertilizer and biofuel; and a highly automated system she uses to grow and harvest crops with minimal help. On a recent visit to her farm, islander Dennis Lucarelli asked Squier to explain the setup.

DL: Jane, before we talk about your amazing greenhouse I'd like to hear how you got your start in farming.

Squier: In the 1970s I spent 18 months on a small, off-grid farm where I learned about organic gardening, food preservation and "appropriate technology." That led me to return to school to study horticulture, and that education got me a fascinating job as a district horticulturist in Papua New Guinea. There, we aimed to address decreasing soil fertility due to changing demographics, and malnutrition. I set up a demonstration and seed-multiplication garden, and trained local people to use organic farming, whose techniques were unfamiliar as they had been using 25-year fallows and vegetative reproduction. We grew protein-rich crops like peanuts and beans, set up a tree nursery with everything from passionfruit to avocados to citrus to nitrogen-fixing trees, and established a co-op for selling vegetables to the coast which were sent by back-loading empty airplanes.

DL: What inspired you to become a greenhouse grower in Alberta?

Squier: When we returned from PNG in 1983, my then-husband Jamie and I decided to start a hydroponic greenhouse business west of Calgary. Jamie, inspired by an article in Harrowsmith, designed our system relying on that article. Smart guy! We had great sunlight, low energy costs, high produce prices and got technical advice from an innovative agricultural

extension officer, which combined to make our 4,000-square-foot greenhouse a success. Two years later we quadrupled its size. We felt continuous pressure to expand operations, but after 10 years, we decided to sell our "turn-key operation" and semi-retire to Salt Spring.

DL: Is this greenhouse we're in the one you set up when you got here?

Squier: Yes, and we brought it with us, having sized it for the projected demand. We assembled it in 1994 and started year-round production of butter lettuce. I bought out Jamie in 2001 and began operating the greenhouse on my own. I had to make several changes to the system, as what had been part-time work became much more than full time.

DL: Did you ever consider throwing in the towel?

Squier: After several years I did start to feel like the greenhouse was a liability: too expensive to heat, too tall of a space, too big and I was weary of the repetitive work. But I embraced the challenge of redesigning the greenhouse, and here I am now, happy again to be a grower and with a business that's more sustainable and more interesting. In half of the greenhouse, I continue to make a decent living growing lettuce and basil; and the other half is an experimental orchard of 50 semi-dwarf trees, including citrus, avocados, guava, jujube and pomegranate. This past winter I had a steady supply of citrus including grapefruit, mandarins, and oranges. The smell of blossoms this spring was exquisite and I'm thrilled to see a few tiny avocados forming.

DL: And you're no longer using heating oil to heat the greenhouse!

Squier: I'm heating with renewable energy now. Through the Environmental Farm Plan I qualified for partial funding to install a hydronic system that includes a high-efficiency wood-gasifier furnace. Adam Milner and I designed my system to take advantage of the insulated 4,400-gallon water tank that forms part of one wall in the greenhouse. The tank captures excess heat while the furnace is burning, stores it and circulates it to the different greenhouse zones. When the furnace isn't operating the captured

heat in the tank is circulated through the greenhouse on demand. The redundant oil furnace was refitted with a radiator, so I still have the option of adding forced air. In theory the annual wood consumption should be close to the annual sustainable yield of the trees on my property.

DL: Let's talk about your system that grows lettuce and basil hydroponically. How does it work?

Squier: I use nutrient film technique, which provides a continuous flow of nutrient solution to the plant roots in a recirculating loop. Plants are grown in 100-foot lengths of standard eavestrough that are covered with a sheet of extruded plastic punched with holes at optimal spacing. The system has an automated harvest machine, which makes fast work of packaging. I don't think there's any other way of growing vegetables that is as efficient in its use of water, nutrient inputs and labour. Plants grow quickly and healthily as the nutrient solution contains all the macro and micro nutrients at optimal parts per million. As soon as the lettuce is harvested the area is replanted, which translates into more rotations per year, a continuous supply of produce to the stores and of course more income. No need to weed or spray or sterilize between crops.

DL: Abundant lettuce, plus your citrus and other tree crops, and a highly-efficient heat and heat-storage system... how do you find the time to harvest all that lettuce, much less plant it to begin with?

Squier: I'm a great believer in practical applications of automation. The greenhouse vents, heating system, harvesting, hydroponics and digester are all at least partially automated. I have purpose-built carts for planting out and for harvesting basil. The trough cover that holds the lettuce is attached to a machine that pulls the crop to one end of the greenhouse where I have my "packaging station." I'm not shipping off-island anymore, which cuts down on time, and I only wholesale, which I love. I do the greenhouse work on my own and have help one or two afternoons a week with the rest of the property. If I don't have crop issues (or take on another project) the process is slick.



Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee TEMPORARY USE PERMIT - NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will consider a Resolution to issue a Temporary Use Permit pursuant to Section 921 of the *Local Government Act* for Lot A, Section 4, Range 4 East, North Salt Spring Island, Cowichan District, Plan 42183 (248 Upper Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island - SS-TUP-2015.2).

The purpose of the permit is to allow a temporary commercial and industrial use consisting of servicing and sales of marine equipment and small engines.

The location of the property subject to the proposed permit is shown on the following sketch:



Enquiries or comments should be directed to Planner Seth Wright at 250-538-5602, or by email to: ssinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca before 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2015.

A copy of the proposed permit may be inspected at the Islands Trust Salt Spring Island office at 1-500 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive, excluding statutory holidays, continuing up to Wednesday, July 8, 2015.

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee may consider the proposed permit at a meeting on **Thursday, July 9, 2015** beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Hart Bradley Hall (Lions Club), 103 Bonnet Avenue, Ganges. Please refer to the posted agenda available on the Islands Trust website at the beginning of that week for an indication of where this application is to be placed on the agenda.

All applications are available for review by the public. Written comments made in response to this notice will also be available for public review.

Claire Olivier,
Legislative Clerk/Deputy Secretary

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Eric James Alderson 1921-2015



We are sad to report the recent and peaceful passing of our father in the capable and kind hands of the doctors and nurses of Lady Minto Hospital at Ganges on Salt Spring Island. Eric leaves behind daughter Lucy and son Tim in Canada as well as a the British branch overseas. For the past five years his every need was attended to by a wonderful crew of women who, as time went by, spent more and more time in his presence at his home. The captain of this team is a beautiful person and a retired RN on Salt Spring named Adele Storm. She saw to it that his world, albeit shrinking over time, was a happy place. The other wonders are Rita Alexandra, Kathy Geldart, Flo Schreiner and Alex Golder. Keeping a close eye on Eric and our mother Joy before her passing were their neighbours Wilf and Helga Hoffman. No two people could have been more kind helping out in every conceivable way. Whether it was a timely fixing of something broken, receiving his weekly meds shipment, paying attention to the property or their daily visits ... these people were so thoughtful and an unimaginable help to us living far away.

Eric was born and raised with two brothers in Wimbledon, then a suburb of London. In his early teens he spent time on farms during summer school vacations. The hook of farm life and working with livestock it would turn out, was deep. In mid-teens while going to school, Eric joined a form of military cadets. With war in Europe becoming more and more likely, training accelerated year round and he eventually became part of the Home Guard. After one year at the London School of Economics, he was drafted into the regular British Army. First assigned to anti-aircraft guns, he and his team proved so successful they were sent to France with the invasion and trained for artillery. Obviously it was a long war. With many officers losing their lives and the amazing skills of his artillery battery, Eric received one battlefield promotion after another until this cadet became a Major.

With the ending of the war in Europe and the demobilization that followed, Eric found work as a buyer in the purchasing department of UniLever. At the time this company was one of the largest dry goods suppliers in the world. Working up the ladder, he became head buyer for what would be supplied to a chunk of Africa. The company wanted him to move to Africa but it was not what he wanted in his heart. He wanted farming. He answered an advertisement placed in an English farm magazine. He accepted the job working near Lindsay, ON.

The owner of the farm was a lawyer in Toronto. He had lost his wife due to illness and had a young daughter approaching her teens. He had hired a governess to raise her to be a proper young lady and teach her the English style of riding horses. Farm life started out a little rough under the eye of this ruthless autocrat. Whenever seasonal work was done and Eric had time on his hands, his boss would rent him out like a slave to neighbouring farmers to fence, pick rocks and drain swamps. The boss saw no need to share the proceeds as he was already paying Eric! Life did however improve when the governess showed up with the daughter. After a romantic courtship, that governess became Mrs. Joy Alderson.

Over time the intolerable lawyer was just too much and the governess had to spend lots of time in Toronto, far from the farm manager. This couple answered another ad and won a position to manage a farm near Aurora. The owners were Jim and Anne McLeod who would turn out to be saints, god parents and family to all of us. Their four daughters were about the same age as Lucy and Tim. With Eric convincing Jim and Anne, the livestock business grew and grew to a point where it was prudent to spin it off into a company they mutually owned with the Jones family and other close friends. Eric had an auspicious career in the swine industry, participating in or leading many boards and councils. The bloodlines developed and crossbred from the herd produced legendary results.

Eric had two pursuits that gave him particular pleasure: playing rugby into his forties and following in the footsteps of the voyageurs. There were many a rugby party over the years with lots of fun people. In the late fall each year, we kids would be yanked out of school for two week canoe trips in remote locations. Often never seeing a soul for the entire voyage there would be beautiful lakes and endless portages to explore. We all learned how to canoe, kayak and make a campsite out of nothing. We had a lifetime of adventures.

A few years before retirement, Eric and Joy scouted out the west coast to find a milder climate and be closer to family. Upon retirement, Lucy and Joy found a house on Salt Spring that Eric participated in purchasing, sight unseen. That was 28 years ago. To say their retirement was enjoyed would be a vast understatement. They loved their life on the island. They made the right choice to be with the lovely people of Salt Spring, the weather, the growing season and the adventures they had! Eric asked for no ceremony and no marker. At a private moment, we spread his ashes over his and Joy's favourite Salt Spring spot.

If you would like more details, you may contact Tim Alderson at tim@aldersonconsulting.ca or 780-232-9092.

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Mallory Jones Pred 1937 - 2015

Mallory Jones Pred died at home on Sunday, June 14, 2015. She spent her last days surrounded by close family and treasured friends.

Small, strong, beautiful, and busy on her feet, Mallory was in continuous motion: hiking, gardening, raking, sweeping, practicing yoga, cooking delicious food for family and friends. Busy off her feet too: knitting, painting, drawing, meditating, reading poetry, writing letters, listening intently, speaking with conviction and eloquence.

A longtime island resident, Mallory was born in New York City to Henry "Hank" Schubart and Barbara Joseph in October of 1937. During her teens, Mallory, her mother, and her younger sister, Linda, moved to California. After graduating high school, Mallory attended the University of California at Berkeley, San Francisco State, and the University of San Francisco.

At 22, Mallory married David Jones (Serva), a Berkeley musician, and had her first son, Martin. After the young couple separated, Mallory continued to pursue her studies and interests as a single parent, influenced and shaped by many of the new ideas, practices, and experiences of the era. She eventually earned a Masters in Psychotherapy before starting a private counselling practice in Berkeley.

In 1972, Mallory reconnected with Ralph Pred, an old flame. Happily, the two would go on to spend the next forty years creating a dynamic and committed life together. In 1979 the couple had a son, Noah. Eleven years later, drawn by the Schubart connection and the beauty of Salt Spring, the three moved north.

Settling into their Hank-designed Fulford home, Mallory's lucid and eclectic aesthetic manifested in her careful placement of stones, plants, and artful objects, each one with a story, throughout her house. On the granite of the hill, a garden's bounty was nurtured, blooming with flowers and filled with birds.

Radiating warmth, Mallory's green eyes and smile were a fixture in the local community where she became a vital participant. An abiding lover of nature and engaged activist, she advocated passionately to protect the island from clear-cut logging, helped establish the Salt Spring Nature Conservancy, and worked to spark momentum for local public transport, contributing to many other causes along the way. A musical being, Mallory played piano and recorder from an early age, later in life discovering the joy of West African drumming. She went on to perform regularly with local drum group, Iroko - her husband Ralph often the first to dance.

Ralph predeceased Mallory in May of 2012. She leaves behind her sons Martin and Noah; her sister Linda; sister-in-law Sue and brother-in-law Lane; daughter-in-law Suzanne; nieces Willa, Michele, Emily, and Becky; nephews Tobias and Joseph; grandnieces Emma, Neva, and Linnea; grandnephews Sebastian and Clyde; great-grandniece Sophia; and her cat, Baloo.

Resilient, laughing, loving; honest and direct with her feelings; insightful and open-minded, Mallory was a wonderful and generous mother, wife, sister, and friend. She will be deeply missed.

The family would like to thank Dr. Beaver and his staff, as well as Karen, Sharon, and the rest of the nurses at VIHA for their compassionate care and support.

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Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20) A process of really digging deep continues. This could manifest as home renovations, attending to family matters and/or probing within to access your most intimate feelings. Although it has begun this process will likely last all summer and will leave you, significant others and/or your residence transformed. Fortunately there are some auspicious factors at play as well.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21) Your energy levels are running high. It is a good thing too because you have a lot of work to do on a variety of fronts. With your confidence levels on a steady rise you are in a good position to advance. A review of where to best direct your energies is featured. You are probably wise to approach matters with increased patience and to avoid making final, long term decisions for now.

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21) A process of deciphering what makes you feel secure and how to best direct your energies is underway. Changes in your daily rhythm and routine have begun as a consequence. Opportunities are knocking but you will have to make extra efforts to engage them. Fortunately you feel alert and sharp in your mind. Exercise a creative approach balanced with a healthy dose of risk for best results.

Cancer (Jun 21 – Jul 22) You are in an assertive mood. Your ambitions are running high and you intend to act upon them. You are inclined to keep certain thoughts and plans private for now. You are not in a rush but you do want to advance your position. You are looking to the future over the longer term. Focusing to maintain a healthy balance of power feels important.

Leo (Jul 22 – Aug 23) A busy time behind the scenes continues. In some respects this cycle can be described as a time of retreat. However, you also must work diligently. Overcoming fears, doubts and perhaps a few debts are likely scenarios. Fortunately, this is also an expansive time for you. Fortune favors the bold under such influences so be willing to reach out to increase your scope and exposure.

Virgo (Aug 23 – Sep 22) Your individuality is shining these days. This is supported by a rebellious and perhaps even irreverent mood. Some of what you once held sacred you no longer do. This can extend to important relationships as well. Yet before you make conclusive decisions take note that this energy pattern is an invitation for you to dig deeply to uncover what you deem true and valuable.

Libra (Sep 22 – Oct 22) If you have been waiting to advance your position in the world, to gain recognition you feel you deserve and rewards you feel you have earned, now is the time to assert yourself. You may have to go the extra distance and get and/or give special training. Call it paying your dues. In any case, financial concerns and considerations are part of the plot.

Scorpio (Oct 22 – Nov 21) You are in the mood to see a bigger picture. Although you are not necessarily in a big rush you will steadily and forcefully assert yourself if necessary. There are some very good indications of opportunities being available in your public and professional sphere. That you may have to exercise more discipline than usual is all part of the deal.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 – Dec 21) A dive into deeper waters may characterize this cycle. As would be the case, the light has dimmed and the pressure has increased. There is nothing negative or evil about this lower light but it does invite acknowledgement. Positively, it invites a final phase of clearing the old to make way for the new. Key changes in your overall lifestyle for the sake of health are implied.

Capricorn (Dec 21 – Jan 19) Relationship involvements may feel a bit more entangled of late. A moody period is underway. Yet it may certainly prove to have a silver lining too. You desire more... interaction, communication, love, pleasure, money.... If you can avoid attachment yet remain clearly focused and patiently persevering then you will have struck the balance.

Aquarius (Jan 19 – Feb 19) Recognition, rewards and other returns are yours to enjoy now. Yet these come in a time of increased effort. As well, though the demand is there the same may not be true of your full resolve. This mood may endure for a few weeks so set an even pace. Lively and animated communications is another perk amidst it all. Be open to new angles of perception to see opportunities more clearly.

Pisces (Feb 19 – Mar 20) A dynamic and creative cycle continues. As long as you are in a giving mood everything will flow smoothly and abundantly too. This is a good time to engage in sincere conversations where you reveal your observations, interpretations, values, priorities and feelings with added sincerity. Communicate from the heart and others will hear you beyond the words.

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Hatters raise funds

Fourth annual run/walk event in Fernwood

People travelling through Salt Spring's north end on Sunday may have spotted people running in zany hats — and it wasn't an illusion caused by the heat.

The occasion was the fourth annual Mad Hatter 5/10k Fun Run and Walk, which sees runners and walkers wear whimsical hats and outfits while raising money for the MS Society.

Event organizer Karen Curtin sent a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors who helped make

this event happen, especially Marion and Peter Young, the Salt Spring Sneakers running club, and host and sponsor Fernwood Road Cafe.

"The generosity from the people and businesses on this island always astounds me," said Curtin.

She specifically thanked Country Grocer, Thrifty Foods, Pharmasave, New Balance and Frontrunners Victoria, Salt Spring Golf and Country Club, Ganges Yoga Studio, X-Eau Swimwear, House Piccolo, Mobile Detailing and Signs, Mistaken Identity Vineyards, Doris Neufeld, Carolyn Morgan, Catherine Bennett, Jayne Lloyd-Jones, Susan Gordon and Rainbow Road Pool.



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Best costume prize winner Drew Stotesbury and Janine Fernandes-Hayden in the Mad Hatter event on Sunday.

ROWING

Regatta rocks Long Harbour

Organizers celebrate event's success

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Organizers say the outstanding success of the island's inaugural Race on the Rock rowing regatta charts a promising course for the sport's future on Salt Spring.

Teams of all ages from Salt Spring and Vancouver islands assembled at Long Harbour Saturday to participate in a series of races.

One of the day's most interesting features, according to event organizer and avid rower Judy Smith, was the range of participants who turned out for the event.

The regatta promised a unique and different race experience and Salt Spring delivered.

"It turned out very interesting," she said.

Where else could you see a Grade 12 boys team compete against a boat filled with 50-something-year-old former Olympians? Much to the students' surprise, the 50-year-olds proved they've still got what it takes to row past the competition.

"It was really fun to watch the Olympic women barely edge [the Grade 12s] out," Smith said.

Nanaimo's Junior B women's squad won the day's five-kilometre head race (based on handicapped scoring) to kick off the day. Second place went to a Victoria mixed masters double boat piloted by rowers aged 76 and 81 years old.

"We saw some really good racing and great times," Smith said.

She thanked everyone who participated in the event and added there aren't many venues that can compare with the scenic seaside Long Harbour course.

"The venue turned out to be really good," she said. "Your usually sitting with binoculars. Here you could hear the start and see all the action. It was really great, and the weather was fantastic. The whole thing went off without a hitch."

More information about the Salt Spring Rowing Club is available from Smith at 250-537-7970 or Stacy Mitchell at 250-537-6797.

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PERFECTLY POSED: Salt Spring's U7-9 Pink Storm girls baseball team marks the end of a great season. The team thanks all parents and its six coaches: Boofy, Bones, Rue, Wilson, Tone and Dan — and Tom and Judy from Cusheon Lake Resort, Sean from the SPCA and the Return-it Depot, and Dave and Doraine Carlson from Celebrity Accents for making the team's shirts and hats.

TENNIS Whites on court

Wimbledon tourney players survive the heat

Despite the soaring temperatures, 16 players donned their "Wimbledon Whites" to play in the Salt Spring Tennis Association's annual Wimbledon Cup and Saucer tournament on Saturday, June 27.

After four rounds of fun but competitive play — where wooden racquets are used as per the SSTA tradition — Jody Hawley and David Cummings came out on top.

Best dressed in the style of the Wimbledon early fashions went to Marnie Naphthali and Peter McAllister. Naturally, strawberries and cream were served.



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DRAGONBOAT RACING Spirit Point paddlers put to the test

Third time at Campbell River dragonboat festival

BY AUDREY DENTON
SPECIAL TO THE DRIFTWOOD

This weekend Spirit Point Dragons competed in the Race the River dragonboat festival in Campbell River.

It was the team's third appearance at this competition and everyone went prepared with sunscreen and hats to combat the near record high temperatures. There was some relief to the heat from breezes coming off the water and the complimentary water supplied by the organizers.

When the races started there was an extremely low tide, which meant steersman Tom McKeachie's skills were put to the test to maintain the boat's course to the finish line as he battled the incoming tide.

Tracey Cornwall was the caller/drummer in the absence of the team's coach, Mary Rowles, calling out instructions and encouragement along the 370-metre course. Paddlers for the day were Marit Christensen, Carmen Labelle, Robyn Huntley, Audrey Denton, Ann Marie Davidson, Christa Wohlfahrt, Lisa Owen, Lynda Green, Carol Spencer, Susanna Hel-

gason, Andrew Okulitch, Janice Shields, Lesley Grott, Debbie Isaac, Kahsia Hartwell, Lorhainne Ekelund, Rob Huber, Nova Elson, Wendy McEachern, Mary Lou Cuddy and first-time competitors Lea Savein and Heather Robertson.

Team manager Barry Green coordinated the seating plan for the races. Christensen showed her creativity by leading the team in three different and clever team cheers.

It was a small festival with 12 women-only teams and seven mixed teams. Spirit Point came second in the first heat with a time of 1:57.9 behind Dragon Riders (1:54.3), but ahead of Angels and Demons (1:58.8).

In the second and third heats Spirit Point raced only one other boat, trailing Namax' Sala (1:55.0) in the second race with a time of 1:58.9 and Prevailing Wins (1:54.1) in the final race with a time of 2:00.5.

The team is always appreciative of its sponsors, Country Grocer, Harbours End Marine, Moby's Pub, the Lions Club, the Capital Regional District, and Nils and Sheila Christensen, who so graciously provide their dock for the dragonboat and welcome the paddlers to their property for regular team practices.

Thirty Years Of Helping

In June 2015, I will be stepping down as Chair of the Foundation's Board of Directors. It has been a wonderfully fulfilling experience, and I am truly grateful for the opportunity to have been part of the Foundation's success.

We marked our 30th Anniversary in 2014—a special year in many ways. Our Party in the Park in August was a joyful celebration with our colleagues, friends and the public. Our assets grew by almost \$1 million, and in November we signed a lease on office space at 158A Fulford Ganges Road. The office will allow us to consolidate our records, have a physical presence and offer meeting space and services to island charities.

Our Foundation team is working proactively with local organizations to ensure that our growing grant dollars are used as effectively as possible. We are expanding our Board and have welcomed Kisae Petersen as our bookkeeper.

I send my sincerest thanks to our donors, Board and committee members, and the volunteers and staff working in island charities for their commitment to keep Salt Spring the vital community we all love to call home. Thank you.

Carol Biely, Chair, Board of Directors

2014 Annual Report Highlights

- The Foundation celebrated 30 years of giving
- Donations and bequests totalled \$809,610
- The Foundation gave over \$156,000 in grants to local charities
- Our Community Endowment Fund grew to over \$6.2 million
- The Foundation of Youth gave its first grants to community projects supporting our youth
- The Foundation moved into its first office, located in downtown Ganges



The Board of Directors (l to r) Kees Ruurs, Gary Morrison, Janine Fernandes-Hayden, John Binsted, Mary Rose MacLachlan, Kate Merry, Carol Biely, Bob Moffatt, Lesley Reynolds, Terry Bolton



Tom and Mimi Gossett

In 2014, the Salt Spring Island Foundation bade farewell to Tom Gossett, one of its most devoted supporters. Tom and Mimi Gossett settled on Foxglove Farm in 1975 and established Foxglove Farm and Garden Supply in 1976. Both Tom and Mimi were active in community affairs, and Tom was a founding member of the Water Preservation Society. When Mimi passed away, Tom honoured her memory by establishing a fund in her name with the Foundation, thereby giving back to a community which had in his words "given us so much." As a further measure of his and Mimi's love of their island home, Tom left a bequest of \$50,000 to the Foundation. This generous gift has been added to the Gossett fund, now called the Tom and Mimi Gossett Memorial Fund, a truly lasting legacy.

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