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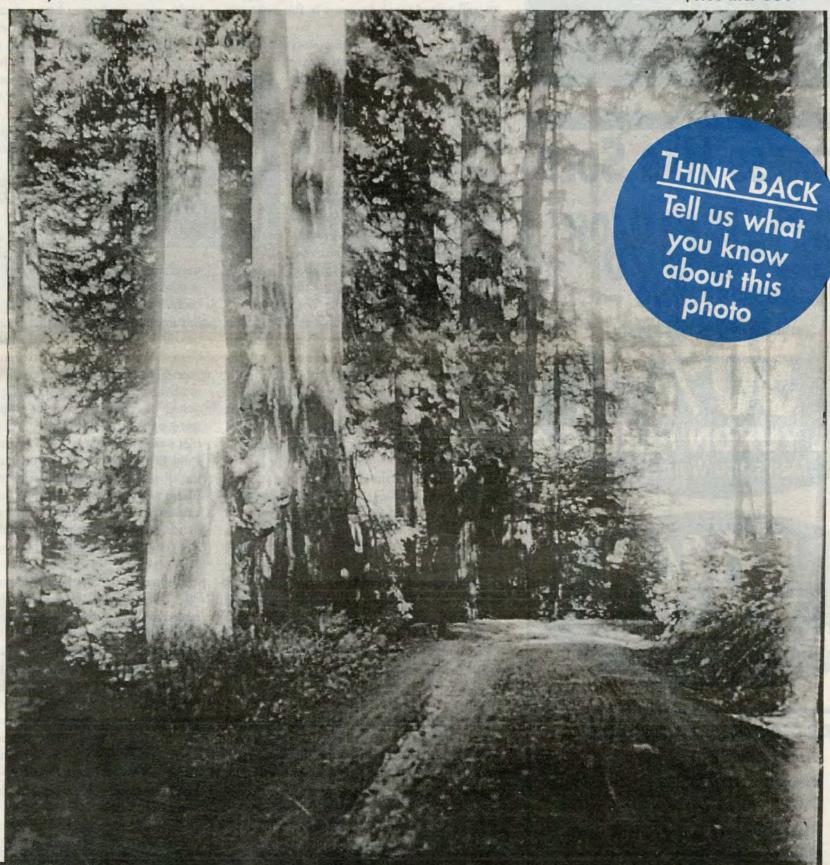
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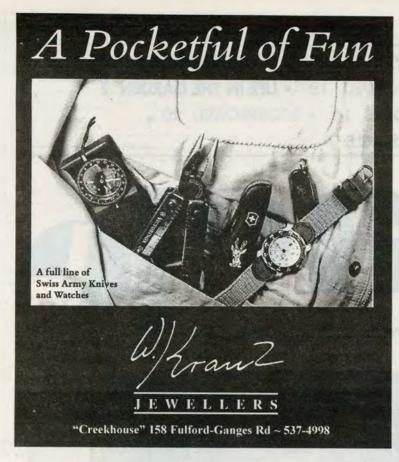
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island memories

Rum running in the Gulf Islands

by Jim Russell

There are very few people alive today who have first-hand memories of the rum running days on Salt Spring and the other Gulf Islands. Lotus Ruckle was a young girl living on the south end of Salt Spring in the early 1920s, and remembers that there was some "good, fast boats" and "tremendous running around" going on. Her uncle by marriage, Alfred Ruckle, once found a whole case of whiskey stashed out on Beaver Point, and of course took it home. William Patterson, who ran a fuel dock and store in the tiny cove just to the west of Beaver Point, used to sell gasoline and other supplies to well-armed men who came in the night and paid with American gold.

Bob Akerman tells a great story about the

rum-running days that was told to him by someone who was directly involved. The man's name must be withheld for reasons that will soon be apparent, but at the time these events took place, (about 1924), he was a provincial police constable. It seems that Reid Bittancourt, who was then the local customs officer on Salt Spring, received information that an illegal 'pick-up' of contraband alcohol was about to take

place down in Bedwell Harbour on South Pender. Wasting no time, he got the policeman aboard his customs boat, the Winnemac, and chugged south as fast as they could go. Upon turning the corner into Bedwell, they immediately spied a fast-looking rum launch just getting underway, with her crew frantically pulling up the anchor. Although the old Winnemac was a much slower boat, skipper Bittancourt 'got the angle on them' and was able to come alongside the rum runner just long enough for the policeman to leap aboard her with his sixshooter drawn. As the rum runner roared away from the Winnemac, our intrepid cop stepped into the cabin and pointed his gun directly at the head of the steersman and ordered him to stop the boat. By the time the Winnemac again came alongside, he had both men aboard the launch subdued and under arrest. A quick search by Bittancourt confirmed that the launch was indeed loaded with many cases of untaxed whiskey. So the tip he received had been correct, even if it had, in all likelihood, come from a rival rum running concern. At any rate, the prisoners were stowed below on the Winnemac, and their launch taken in tow to the customs dock in Ganges, near where the sailing club is now. By the time they arrived there it was after dark, and Reid Bittancourt was worried that word of the contraband cargo aboard the rum runner would get out. Having locked up the two smugglers in the the local jail, he asked the policeman if he would stay aboard the Winnemac that night to keep an eye on things. This the young servant of the law agreed to do, and settled down for a long, boring vigil while Bittancourt went up to the house for a good night's sleep.

The trouble was that our unnamed policeman was rather fond of good whiskey, so it was a bit like asking a rabbit to guard the lettuce patch. With nothing much else to do that night, he just naturally decided to sample a little of the day's catch. Part way through the first bottle, he began musing on what a damn shame it was that all this perfectly good booze was probably going to be either poured out or else poured down the throats of others who hadn't risked their lives to capture it.

By midnight, and no doubt after a few more good snorts, he had decided that no one was going to miss a case or two. There being a handy skiff right there, he loaded it up with several cases and rowed down the shore a little way to where his own house was. Finding a big cedar log lying just above the high tide line, he stashed the liquor underneath and returned to his duties aboard the customs boat. As the night wore slowly on, he no doubt did some more sampling and decided 'What the hell'. . . he really ought to preserve a bit more of this

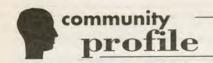
excellent stuff. So he loaded up the rowboat a second time, and stashed several more cases under the big tree. By now he must have been quite sloshed, because, as he later told Bob Akerman, he took at least one more load that night, for a total of three. Sometime during the wee hours he must have sobered up a bit and realized that he had taken too much: cus-

toms officer Bittancourt was not stupid, and was bound to notice that a good portion of the cache was missing. What to do? After giving the matter some careful thought, he grabbed the old Lee Enfield rifle that Bittancourt kept aboard the Winnemac and fired off all 10 rounds into the night sky. The shots must have awakened half the people in Ganges, including young Jim Akerman and his sister, Tilly, who were staying just up Ganges hill and thought that a war had broken out! It certainly woke up Reid Bittan-court, who came sprinting down the dock in his nightshirt wondering what in blazes was going on. There he found the inebriated policeman with an empty rifle in his hands, staring intently out into the darkness. The constable explained that he had fallen asleep aboard the Winnemac, and had been awakened by the sound of a motorboat taking off. Seeing that the smuggler's launch had been raided of some of the contraband, he had seized Bittancourt's rifle and fired at the wake of the escaping hijackers, those rotten, thieving rascals! Whether Mr. Bittancourt believed him or not no one knows, but it was pretty fast thinking on the part of the policeman, especially considering the shape he was in. After all, what could the customs officer say or do? They still had the launch, the smugglers were safely locked up, and they still had enough liquor to get a conviction. Still, he may have had his suspicions.

All of this was told to Bob Akerman by the man himself when they were logging together on Gavin Mouat's property in 1935. He had quit the provincial police force some years before, and had since become a carpenter, stone worker and general handyman.

He still loved his drink, however, and told young Bob that he had eventually buried the rum runner's whiskey in his garden. For more than 10 years, he and his wife had been digging up bottles and enjoying their contents, which had only improved with age.





Cancer claims community activist

We were

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by his death'

- Island Arts Centre

Society president

Bob Weeden

When ArtSpring opened Saturday, the best seat in the house was empty. A card on the seat - reserved for Bob Jankura - paid tribute to the man who left the all-but-finished arts centre as part of his legacy to the community. Jankura, 51, died last Wednesday night. Officially, he was the contractor for ArtSpring through his Dawn Wind Construction Management company. Unofficially, he was much more.

"It was way more than a business relationship with the whole board. We were just devastated by his death," said Island Arts Centre Society president Bob Weeden on Friday. Two weeks ago, board members

voted to name the main lounge area of the arts centre after Bob Jankura. It will be known as the Bob Jankura Memorial Lounge.

Jankura and his partner, Christine Crombie, knew of the tribute before Jankura died. "He and Christine knew that - Bob was externely pleased," Weeden said. Board members realized Jankura was dying and had hoped he would live long enough to

attend last weekend's official opening. But although Jankura wasn't there in person, he was be there in the memories of many of those who worked with him to see the arts centre completed.

Dawn Wind Construction was chosen as the ArtSpring contractor in May 1994, when the Island Arts Centre Society had enough money to take the building to lock-up. "We knew within a month that Bob had taken this project very much into his heart and not just into his pocketbook," Weeden said.

Jankura put in countless volunteer hours, during and after the official contract. Then, for three-and-a-half years, while the Island Arts Centre Society applied for grants and continued fundraising to try to finish ArtSpring, Jankura continued to share his expertise with the other volunteers who worked on the project.

"He put in weeks and weeks of volunteer time," Weeden said. "All the way, Bob has been an absolute jewel." Finally, this past June, the society was again able to hire Dawn Wind to finish the project. By then, Jankura had coped with cancer since being diagnosed three years earlier. By mid-summer, while continuing to work on ArtSpring, Jankura knew he was dying. "He continued to put

project," Weeden said. "He was bound and determined to finish on time and on schedule." He was still on the job in early November. health forced him to hand the project over to

A consummate craftsman with a strong sense of community spirit, Jankura also worked on the heritage restoration of the Core Inn. His interest in heritage buildings extended to his own home: in 1990, he and Crombie purchased a 1917 home which had been slated for demolition. They moved it to

> Jankura's only talent. He was called him her "poet warrior." prised those who thought of him only in terms of nails and lumber.

A graduate of the top-rated Michigan State University, Jankura was active in the U.S. civil rights and anti-war movements. The couple have been together since Crombie was 19 and Jankura 24. In the summer of 1997, they celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows at a ceremony in Drummond Park.

A continued interest in community marked Jankura's years on Salt Spring. The couple purchased property on Salt Spring in 1989 and moved to the island in 1990. Elected president of the Salt Spring Community Planning Association, Jankura was especially interested in trying to save the island's green spaces and in developing low-income housing on Salt Spring.

To counter Salt Spring's chronic shortage of affordable housing, he and Crombie proposed an innovative project: creating a community of homes salvaged from the wrecker's ball which would be brought to the island and restored. On a volunteer basis, they continued to work on the project until Jankura's illness intervened.

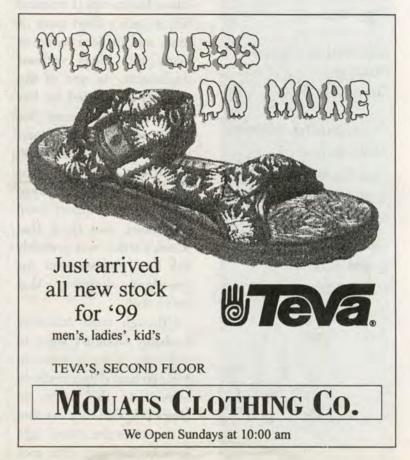
The idea was typical of Jankura's creative yet practical humanity. "He was just so full of love and life ... he just generated so much love around him," Crombie said.

incredible numbers of hours into the Finally, two weeks before his death, failing foreman Jim Anderson.

the island and restored it.

Construction also a musician, a songwriter and a poet. Crombie said she "People knew he was creative because of the way he talked. He was also so original," Crombie said, adding that Jankura's depth, intelligence and humanity might have sur-













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barnacle — opinion

Gift story hits mark

We just wanted to let you know how impressed we were with Alison Booth's article Best Bets for Gifts under \$50 in the last edition. She must indeed be a shopping pro to cover that many Island businesses (I counted 82!) in such a short space of time, and to zero in on as many gift ideas without duplication. As one of the retailers she visited on her whirlwind tour (strange, we didn't notice anyone zooming through our store at 80 mph!) we appreciate your paper's attempt to encourage Islanders to support local businesses, and think that Alison's article was probably the best endorsement for 'on-island shopping' that we've seen.

Although most islanders probably wouldn't want to duplicate Alison's route in just two hours, they really do owe it to themselves to check out what they can find at the stores she visited right here on our own little rock before they rush to a ferry.

Keep up the good work!

Susan & Terry Save-On Saltspring

Editor's Note

It was an 11-hour shopping spree!

The "Gifts Under \$50" shopping story took our writer over 11 hours to complete, and was over a period of 3 days. Alison was adding a note of humour when she said "Can you believe I did it all in under 2 hours?!"



BC Ferries working diligently on plan

In a letter published Nov. 24, Allen Cunningham claims that BC Ferries is playing "Russian roulette" with the economic future of the island communities. BC Ferries' officials and the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee have been working diligently since 1994 to devise a service schedule for the southern Gulf Islands that satisfies both customer need and fiscal responsibility. On October 20, the committee chose to explore a service pattern which emphasizes service improvements and schedule stabilization, and will save \$1.5 million.

BC Ferries is not playing a hazardous gambling game with the future of the island economies. If anything, we are trying to deal everyone a better hand of cards. BC Ferries and the Advisory Committee are currently trying to choose the most workable option for this region. During this decision-making process, BC Ferries,

assisted by business interest representatives from the Advisory Committee, will consider the various economic concerns of the involved communities.

Further, the second-tier Coastal Council continues to focus on long-term service efficiencies, including enhancements contributing to the economic health of island communities.

I would suggest Mr. Cunningham attend the next scheduled Advisory Committee meeting and ascertain for himself the level of commitment and consideration involved in our public consultation process.

Glen A. Brown Executive VP Inter-Island Services BC Ferry Corporation

Cover photo 'taken by my father'

Re: your front page photographs. Two weeks ago you had a scene of Vesuvius Beach taken c1890+ with houses built probably by Bittancourts and/or Beddis.

This last week showed a photo on the second page of John Whims - a character not always as twinkly as the smile in his eye, but nevertheless a character. Certainly Laurie Hedger and myself can tell numerous accounts of John's past. This week -Issue 5, the front page photo was taken by my father around 1913-14. At the time, Jesse Bond was about 19 years old. It was taken on a Sunday after church at St. Marks.

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Jesse had arrived at Bullock's at the age of 12 in 1906 out of the orphanage in Victoria. He was employed as a house boy and farm hand - Bullock saw his photographic talent and soon had his young apprentice equipped with the best Kodak equipment readily obtainable. One of Jesse's duties was to drive, at first, the buggy to church on Sundays with Bullock in the passenger seat, then later to drive the 1911 Model T. Saturday's were spent polishing the brass on the T. As in those days most people

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How are we doing so far?

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PARC committed to seeing Mahon Hall preserved

'The building is

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At the PARC annual fall budget and planning session Nov. 27, 1998, Commissioners passed a resolution requesting School District #64 Board members to approve a transfer of Mahon Hall to the CRD from the provincial government, effective immediately.

SD #64 declared Mahon Hall surplus to the needs of the school district several years ago. An offer to transfer the Hall to the Farmers' Institute in June of 1997 remains outstanding, with SD #64 terms to the Institute not as yet agreed to by the Institute.

PARC is currently subsidizing operations of Mahon Hall without appropriate tenure of the facility.

The request to the School District PARC requires Mahon Hall be leased to the Capital Regional District while a transfer of ownership to

the CRD is completed. Should SD #64 agree to the lease/transfer of the Hall to the CRD, PARC will convene a community based Mahon Hall committee to manage the Hall by April 1999. Should a lease/transfer not be supported by SD #64,

> PARC will be forced to withdraw from any further management of the Hall.

> PARC members are very concerned that the prolonged lack of

resolution regarding Mahon Hall by School District #64 and the Farmers' Institute, combined with the current financial crises within the school district, is jeopardizing Mahon Hall's future.

This wonderful heritage building, which some liken as part of the 'soul' of Salt Spring, will soon experience its 100th birthday, and yet the building is in dire need of some tender loving care.

Should the Farmers' Institute meet the condition of the School District by Jan. 31, 1999, PARC is committed to facilitate an orderly transition of the management of the hall to the Institute.

For further information, please contact the PARC office at 537-4448.

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interest payments. This could be the greatest call to justice the world has ever

The petition will be directed to the leaders of the lending nations, urging them also to take steps to prevent high levels of debt build-up ever occurring again.

On Salt Spring, the Ten Days for Global Justice Committee will be circulating the Jubilee 2000 petition over the next few months. The goal is to send the completed petitions from across Canada and from around the globe to the G-8 leaders, when they meet in Germany in June 1999.

Members of the committee would be pleased to meet with organizations on Salt Spring in January or February to speak further on this initiative.

For more information, contact Marg Simons at 653-4283.

Photo letter

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worked six days a week and it probably was not considered work to drive the 'old man' to church on Sundays in the finest buggy on the Island, not to mention the first Model T. After church he was given the rest of the day

The photo on the cover of Issue 5 was an offshoot of the Church attendances. It is along the first bluffs at St. Mary Lake looking back toward Central. It was a picture of the first young lady that my Dad went for walks with on Sunday afternoons. We don't know her name and it didn't last long as it was not a serious affair, or if it was, I don't believe it lasted long.

At any rate, Jesse, by this time, was not destined to stay on Salt Spring for long as he signed up to fight King and Country in 1915. So not only did he discontinue the walks with the lady, but he also put the camera aside.

Many of the phoseen Mall, Mouat's Harbour GVM, House and else-



Photo taken by Jesse Bond circa 1913-14

where were taken by him and the negatives still exist. He loved to talk about them but we never could find out the name of the lady.

Malcolm Bond

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Drop us a line if you know anything about this week's photo, courtesy of Mary Davidson, the Salt Spring Archives.

We'll be pleased to publish some of your responses in our next issue. Or send in a photo flashback of your own (and include details) for future publication.

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destinations

by Carl Duncan

A gleaming bronze Buddha, larger than life, sat in the back of a brand new Toyota pickup truck stuck in a fuming snarl of meter taxis, tuk tuks, delivery trucks and motorcycles. Ten feet below, on the canal beneath the bridge, our sleek longtail zipped through a watery canyon of banyan trees, old teak bungalows, and spirit houses draped in garlands of jasmine and marigold.

It was an exhilarating twenty-minute cruise from Bangkok's main railway station, where Maria and I arrived by train from the airport, to the Chao Phraya River at Banglampoo. A canal route that (for 20 cents) slices through the very heart of the city, unaffected by Bangkok's notorious gridlock.

The gateway to South East Asia, Bangkok is a city of eight million people with confused and chaotic streets. Fortunately for the visitor, Bangkok's traffic can be easily avoided by using the water ways. The Chao Phraya River is not only Bangkok's main artery, but also its primary showcase. Much of what makes this city the most exotic and exciting capital in Southeast Asia lies on or walkably close to the

Boats along the river, or through the hand-dug canals

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(called klongs), have always been the traditional means of getting around Bangkok. Born on a bight in the Chao Phraya River some 215 years ago, the city's first paved road was not constructed until 1863. Bangkok back then was affectionately called the "Venice of the East".



"Emerald Buddha" Temple at Bangkok palace.

Touring Bangkok by boat, the city returns in countless, unexpected ways to those slower, quieter times. On the water, you touch the unchanged roots of this unique Asian capital that still thrive below, beside, and between the high rises and the clogged streets. The secret of Bangkok is just this: stay on or near the Chao Phraya River. Room choices there range from \$2a-night Banglampoo guest houses in the north to spectacularly romantic suites at the Oriental in the south, consistently rated among the top ten hotels in the world.

Our choice, after dozens of visits to the city, is Chinatown. Centrally located on the river, Chinatown retains the character of old Bangkok while offering a good selection of hotels from economy to business class. From Ratchawong, Chinatown's express boat dock, we can catch a river boat just about anywhere.

The Grand Palace is always a favorite. Its white crenellated walls enclose a glittering dreamscape of Thai art, architecture and Oriental imagination that covers a full square mile. A palace tour in itself justifies a visit to Bangkok.

But our first river stop in Bangkok is always Wat Po. Most people visit this monastery to see the gigantic gold-plated reclining Buddha and tour the pagodas, but we go for its world-famous massages. Cooled by fans, we are kneaded and pulled and pleasurably twisted. A full hour of such delightful realignment and rejuvenation costs just 200 bhat (\$8).

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Preparing for Christmas by Sonya Huser

This year Fernwood school is providing Christmas Raffle tickets. Students are going around selling raffle tickets from house to house. If you're interested they cost \$2 for one, 3 for \$5, or 10 for \$10. For details, prizes will be shown in Fernwood school in the display case in the front hallway. There are 15 prizes. There will also be prizes for the class that sells the most tickets (a free pizza day). The class that sells the second most wins a cake. The student that sells the most wins a \$50 gift certificate for Volume II bookstore and the student that sells the second most wins a \$25 gift certificate for Volume ll bookstore. The winners will be drawn at the Fernwood Christmas event.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, some classes will be doing plays and the Junior and Senior choirs will be singing. The small group ensemble (which is a pretty small choir that sings with actions), will also be performing. Speaking of the choir, the senior choir went to a concert, playing at the Harbour House Hotel, and the Junior choir will be playing at Island Savings Credit Union.

Helmken House by Amie Wilson

In December, Mrs. Taylor's and Mrs. Takagaki's classes are going on a field trip to Helmken House. Helmken House is on the grounds of the R.V. Museum. It is the original home of the Helmken family, which was one of the leading families of Victoria. It offers a look at a Victorian Christmas. There is an old school house and actors and actresses re-enact Victorian Christmas traditions. Children dress up in Victorian clothes and become part of the 'play'.

Decorations by Aime Wilson

Mrs. Taylor's class and Mrs. Kennedy's class are creating some decorations for the official opening of ArtSpring. There will be three large, living trees in the lobby. Some other schools in the district are also making decorations for these trees. Mrs. Taylor's class is making paper cranes because we have been studying birds and flight. Mrs. Kennedy's class is making chains and hanging decorations.

The Fitness Trail by Hanna Monroe

Some Fernwood classes used to jog on the sides of the road when they didn't have gyin class. Almost every student ran a kilometre. Last year Fernwood school ran across Canada. We totalled the distance run by every student in the school. The staff thought that running on the side of the road wasn't safe so they decided to build a fitness trail. Money for the trail was donated by an anonymous donor. The fitness trail is being built around the edge of the soccer field at Fernwood school. The trail is 0.5 kilometres long. The trail is partly finished, but work on it stopped because the field was too wet. Work will begin again in the spring when the field dries out.



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Here's how to care for your Christmas tree, living or fresh cut

by Joe Clemente

With Christmas just weeks away, some of us might want to go Xmas tree shopping. There are several different types of cut and live Christmas trees to choose from. Usually you'll find Pine, Balsam Fir, Douglas Fir, and sometimes Spruce. With all cut Xmas trees it's good to give them a fresh cut of approximately 3"- 4" at the base of the trunk. A pruning saw or chainsaw will do the trick.

This way your tree will be able to suck up water more easily from your Xmas tree stand. Make sure to check the water daily. Cut trees drink a fair bit of H2O, so generous care will ensure your tree will last longer without needle drop.

There is a solution that you can spray on the whole tree. This prevents the tree from losing moisture through its needles. A product on the market called 'Christmas Tree Saver' will also work on cut holly sprigs. When it comes to living Xmas trees, my advice is to wait until as close Christmas Day as possible before bringing it into your home and taking it out very soon after. The longer you leave a live tree in your home the more stress is put on it. The advantage of live trees is that you can plant it out in your garden after the holiday season and enjoy it for years to come. Just make sure you

plant it in the right spot of your garden; some conifers grow quite fast to great size. Have fun choosing your Christmas tree, it's always a lot of fun, especially for the

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The following articles were submitted by students from Fernwood Elementary School.

Preparing for Christmas by Sonya Huser

This year Fernwood school is providing Christmas Raffle tickets. Students are going around selling raffle tickets from house to house. If you're interested they cost \$2 for one, 3 for \$5, or 10 for \$10. For details, prizes will be shown in Fernwood school in the display case in the front hallway. There are 15 prizes. There will also be prizes for the class that sells the most tickets (a free pizza day). The class that sells the second most wins a cake. The student that sells the most wins a \$50 gift certificate for Volume Il bookstore and the student that sells the second most wins a \$25 gift certificate for Volume Il bookstore. The winners will be drawn at the Fernwood Christmas event.

On Tuesday, Dec. 15, some classes will be doing plays and the Junior and Senior choirs will be singing. The small group ensemble (which is a pretty small choir that sings with actions), will also be performing. Speaking of the choir, the senior choir went to a concert, playing at the Harbour House Hotel, and the Junior choir will be playing at Island Savings Credit Union.

Helmken House by Amie Wilson

In December, Mrs. Taylor's and Mrs. Takagaki's classes are going on a field trip to Helmken House. Helmken House is on the grounds of the R.V. Museum. It is the original home of the Helmken family, which was one of the leading families of Victoria. It offers a look at a Victorian Christmas. There is an old school house and actors and actresses re-enact Victorian Christmas traditions. Children dress up in Victorian clothes and become part of the 'play'.

Decorations by Aime Wilson

Mrs. Taylor's class and Mrs. Kennedy's class are creating some decorations for the official opening of ArtSpring. There will be three large, living trees in the lobby. Some other schools in the district are also making decorations for these trees. Mrs. Taylor's class is making paper cranes because we have been studying birds and flight. Mrs. Kennedy's class is making chains and hanging decorations.

The Fitness Trail by Hanna Monroe

Some Fernwood classes used to jog on the sides of the road when they didn't have gym class. Almost every student ran a kilometre. Last year Fernwood school ran across Canada. We totalled the distance run by every student in the school. The staff thought that running on the side of the road wasn't safe so they decided to build a fitness trail. Money for the trail was donated by an anonymous donor. The fitness trail is being built around the edge of the soccer field at Fernwood school. The trail is 0.5 kilometres long. The trail is partly finished, but work on it stopped because the field was too wet. Work will begin again in the spring when the field dries out.



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Here's how to care for your Christmas tree, living or fresh cut

by Joe Clemente

With Christmas just weeks away, some of us might want to go Xmas tree shopping. There are several different types of cut and live Christmas trees to choose from. Usually you'll find Pine, Balsam Fir, Douglas Fir, and sometimes Spruce. With all cut Xmas trees it's good to give them a fresh cut of approximately 3"- 4" at the base of the trunk. A pruning saw or chainsaw will do the trick.

This way your tree will be able to suck up water more easily from your Xmas tree stand. Make sure to check the water daily. Cut trees drink a fair bit of H2O, so generous care will ensure your tree will last longer without needle drop.

There is a solution that you can spray on the whole tree. This prevents the tree from losing moisture through its needles. A product on the market called 'Christmas Tree Saver' will also work on cut holly sprigs. When it comes to living Xmas trees, my advice is to wait until as close to Christmas Day as possible before bringing it into your home and taking it out very soon after. The longer you leave a live tree in your home the more stress is put on it. The advantage of live trees is that you can plant it out in your garden after the holiday season and enjoy it for years to come. Just make sure you

plant it in the right spot of your garden; some conifers grow quite fast to great size. Have fun choosing your Christmas tree, it's always a lot of fun, especially for the

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Dock Talk ... with Peter Clarke

I really am sorry that there isn't a regular column this week, but I had to go to Ontario and help my Dad get Crooked House ready for winter and get the docks out.

Crooked House really is crooked: it was built that way. Even the 12-ton chimney is crooked (Dad had the chimney weighed by one of the Dunford twins; I'm not sure which one, Gary or Charley) but that's what it weighs and it sits on four bricks on end: the chimney is scary. Nobody sits in front of the fire in Crooked House, in fact, most people are afraid to sit anywhere in the house where they can see the chimney.

The first thing we had to do was open the trap in the plywood in the bathroom and disconnect the bathtub drain. It'll freeze up if we don't and the first bath of the winter will cause a reaction that is incredible to behold. A great shaft of ice bursts up through the plug hole, lifts the tub off the floor, then glaciates under the bathroom door to the rest of the house. (It's almost worth not doing this job, just to see what happens.)

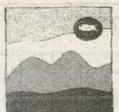
The next thing we do is turn all the taps on and leave them on until mid-April. The one pipe that always goes is the copper one on the floor behind the fridge. Even with the taps dripping it bursts every year, usually on Christmas morning, and a great mist fills the kitchen and freezes on all the walls, counters and windows: it's actually quite a pretty sight.

The funny thing is, the fridge has an icemaker. This is hardly necessary because, by this time, the evestroughs have frozen solid and icicles have grown like pillars from the eves to the ground forming a solid wall around Crooked House.

A fond memory of mine is watching my father struggle with the ice tray in the fridge, mostly hidden in an ice fog from the burst water pipe. He's cursing the damn fridge while his guests wait in the living room, enclosed by a wall of ice, staring in growing horror at the chimney.

Now to the docks and boats. There are eight sections of docks and three boats. The docks don't have names but the boats are Bong Bong, Aunt Marge and Wheee. As Dad supervises, I loosen the bolts on the dock legs letting them fall, with me of course, into Clear Lake. Once the legs are out, we tie a huge hunk of nylon onto the inner most dock and attach the free end to the bumper of Dads 76 Ford Fairlane.

The rest is simple. Car pulls docks up onto beach: son lifts docks and leans against neighbours Hemlock. After three or four docks my father tires and we go inside for cold ham sandwiches and Caffeine Free Diet Coke. So this is what I'm doing when I should be writing my Barnacle column. My nose won't stop dripping and my boots are full of slush. I miss Salt Spring.



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BY-ELECTION of SCHOOL TRUSTEE - SALT SPRING ISLAND

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of School District 64 (Gulf Islands) that nominations for the office of Trustee will be received at the offices School District 64 (Gulf Islands), 112 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2K3 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, the twenty second (22nd) day of December 1998 and 4:00 P.M. on Monday, the fourth (4th) day of January 1999 and during that period the nomination documents shall only be received on regular office days and hours. Should anyone wish to file nomination documents in other than office hours, arrangements may be made by phoning the Deputy Chief Election Officer, Mr. Howie Nuttall at (250) 477-6416 or the Chief Election Officer at (250) 472-0059.

The Trustee to be elected is one of three representing Salt Spring Island. The term of office is for the balance of a three (3) year term that commenced December 1996 and terminates in December 1999.

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Copies of all forms are available at the Offices of School District 64 (Gulf islands), 112 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. or by calling the Deputy Chief Election Officer at (250) 477-6416 or the Chief Election Officer at (250) 472-0059.

Given under my hand at Salt Spring Island, B.C. this fourth (4th) day of December, 1998.

Thomas F. Moore Chief Election Officer

Phoenix School making preparations for upcoming holiday season

Cat in the Hat

Children in the intermediate class (Grade 4 to 8) have been busy transforming two hilarious tales by Dr. Seuss, *The Cat in the Hat and Green Eggs and Ham*, into theatrical productions. They were recently seen at ArtSpring Opening festivities and are sure to be a highlight at Phoenix School's Winter Festival.

Greenwoods Concert

A group of primary aged children are working on some dances and songs of inspiration which will be performed at Greenwoods. The selection will include such numbers as This Little Light of Mine, and Love is Something if You Give It Away.



Willo Chamberlin, Zephyr Derr, Zena Blanes-Terides

Christmas Wreaths, Centrepieces and Paper Goods

The public is invited to purchase Raffle Tickets for a cord of firewood or Christmas decorations from Phoenix School on Drake Road (537-1156). Christmas Decorations - from Place Cards to Greeting Cards to festive Table Centrepieces to a Wreath for your door - have been made by the children.

Phoenix School will also have a table at Salt Spring Centre School's Craft Fair Dec. 19 and 20. These are some of the fundraising events slated for the upcoming year to help the students reach their dreams of a trip to the Vancouver Aquarium, more playground equipment and a paved area for outdoor games.

& the arts

Island Christmas craft fairs continuing

Ninth Annual 'Last Minute Christmas Craft Fair' by April Curtis

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Ninth Annual 'Last Minute

Sing along to Christmas classics

Musical offerings are abundant on Salt Spring at this time of year.

Together for Christmas is a special presentation this weekend by The Salt Spring Singers and Bandemonium. The concert - 'From Jingle Bells to the Hallelujah Chorus' - is taking place in GISS Multipurpose Room, Friday, Dec. 11 and Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 pm, and there will also be a Sunday matinee performance Dec. 13 at 2 pm.

Christmas Craft Fair' being held in Mahon Hall on Dec. 11, 12, 13. Open to the public Friday, 12 pm to 5 pm, Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, 11 am to 4 pm.

The variety and quality of Sal Spring crafts people well with wide array of gift items - from stocking stuffers and Christmas decorations to finely crafted jewelry galore, fabric crafts and clothing, pottery, gourmet

This fair is an annual fundraiser to support the activities of the Off Centre Stage Society, such as the recent production of 'Lion

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in Winter' held at Mahon Hall. You can personalize your gift buying by meeting the island artisans who create the gifts. Admission is free and hot snacks will be

available in a festive setting.

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managed to complete your the Salt Spring Centre presents the Last Chance Craft Faire the following weekend, Saturday Dec. 19 from 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday Dec. 20 from 11 am to 4 pm (355 Blackburn

The work of crafts people from on and off the Island will be well represented, and the Salt Spring Centre will be preparing a full array of soups, sweets and savouries.





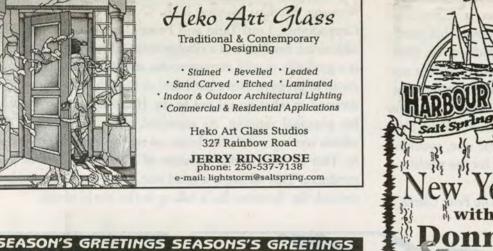
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Or you can e-mail your request to: blackstone@saltspring.com. You will receive your package early in January.

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Moby's musical weekend lineup continues.

In what is already wellknown as a central place to go for live music, Moby's has an excellent line-up of performers this weekend, Dec. 11, 12 & 13.

An all-local, triple bill takes the stage on Friday and Saturday nights, starting around 9:30 pm. Richard Cross and Temple will kick things off, a country/folk three-piece singing original songs from Cross' repertoire.

The band will be followed by singer/songwriter Gene Grooms, accompanied by Dave Roland on bass and Gary Preston on keyboards, performing songs from Grooms forthcoming CD.

Rounding out the night are The Rounders, a new SSI band featuring the songs of Randy Miller, with Graeme Maltby on banjo, Brian McDonald on guitar, mandolin and harmony vocals,

Doug Sanders on bass, and Malcolm Shoolbraid on drums.

Things will mellow out with Sunday Dinner Jazz on December 13 when Simone Grasky's dulcet tones take centre stage at 7 pm.

And don't forget the Musical Craft Faire is coming to Moby's on Saturday Dec. 19, with a variety of music cooking from 4 pm to 11pm.

Don't miss Rap Chat ... with Matt Cecill

Santa coming ... just in case

Whether you've been naughty or nice, don't miss the chance to meet the seagoing Santa this Saturday, Dec. 12 at 6 pm. This is the 48th year the jolly old elf has brought his ship and crew to Ganges: truly something to celebrate and enjoy.

Santa has a Christmas wish of his own this year that our harbour be filled with lights and laughter and lined with the wonder of his children's faces. (What, no cordless drill?) This little barnacle, for one, wouldn't miss Santa for the world . . . just in case.

Submitted by Peter Clarke.

Pete Rock Soul Survivor

'Soul Survivor' is a new album that I have been looking forward to ever since I heard that it would be released. Pete Rock is a proven producer, as he has demonstrated his talent on such classic tracks as Run DMC's Down With the King, and Nas' The World is Yours.

Artists such as Dr. Dre have paved the way for producers turning into rappers. Pete Rock is trying to do just that with his new album and has brought some of his fellow

'As expected, the production of this album was top notch'

Hip-Hop artists along for the ride. They include Raekwon, Noreaga, Prodigy, Method Man, Ghostface Killah, Big Pun, Cappadonna, Lord Tariq and Peter Gunz and Kurupt. This album is a success and a disappointment wrapped in one. It is a good album with respect to the additional talents who put on an impressive show, but I feel as though Pete Rock didn't succeed in what he set out to do. He disappointed me with his personal rapping. As expected, the production of this album was top notch, the beats set up the songs magnificently. This is no surprise because of Pete Rock's status as a producer. This album is a good one, but Pete Rock needs to rethink the direction he is taking in the world of rap.





he delayed Indian

2nd Annual Indian Summerstock Music Festival becomes Christmas Jamboree!

accompanied by Adam Dobres (guitar) and Adrian Dolan (piano).

· Mac Pontiac hails from the Ottawa Valley, a

Summerstock Music Festival will be celebrated as a Christmas Jamboree at

Fulford Hall on Saturday Dec. 12 (8 pm until 1 am).

"The musical event of the season" is how music reviewer Kerry Roth described the inaugural Indian Summerstock (celebrated on the Farmer's Institute Fairgrounds, Aug. 30, 1997).

Once again, Tsunami (The Society for Unsung New Art and Music Innovators) has united an inspiring lineup of artists and performers drawn from the talent pool of Salt Spring, Vancouver Island and the Mainland. During the fall season Tsunami's events coordinator, Adrian du Plessis, was locked into investigating and breaking the international news story of Russian mafia involvement behind a TSE public company (YBM Magnex). As a conthe 2nd Annual Indian Summerstock has become a Christmas Jamboree, infused with the sounds and spirit of this special holiday, from carols to country.

Tsunami's purpose is "to promote and foster the development and appreciation of unsung" artists and musicians. To that end, it is with delight and gratitude that organizers welcome Kayla Schmah to this year's stage. This young island pianist of rare passion will perform original and traditional compositions on the concert grand, her hands harmoniously blending strains of classical, pop and folk.



Mac Pontiac, one of the many performers who will be appearing at the 2nd Annual Indian Summerstock Festival, Saturday at Fulford Hall.

Other performers include:

- Stacy Burke (vocals) and Amanda Arnott (piano), contemporaries mining the pop rock vein with taste and verve, are Salt Spring-based performers inspired by such artists as Lilith Fair diva, Sarah McLachlan.
- · Tania Elizabeth, a violin/fiddle teacher at Acoustic Planet Studios on the island (and in Victoria where she now resides), was a highlight of this year's Fall Fair concert stage, where she earned a standing ovation. This award-winning player amazes audiences with her unique combination of skill and character. Tania will be

heartland of Canadian country music. The band's leader, Mac, is described by the Province newspaper as "one of Vancouver's finest songwriters." He's supported by pedal steel player extraordinaire, Charlie Hase, and other country/rock notables guitarist Scott MacLeod, bassist Brian Goble (of punk legends, The Subhumans), and drummer John Card (DOA, SNFU).

- Palace Flophouse, a popular Vancouver band, creates its own brand of danceable North American roots music, mixing together 'suburban hillbilly', pop, folk, rock and bluegrass. The lineup for Salt Spring comprises Andy Geluk (bass), Susan Young (backing vocals), Geoff Gilliard (drums) and Andrew Arida (piano, accordion).
- Ronnie Scott and Elvis (The Royal City Wranglers) are best remembered by islanders who saw them perform a couple of songs with the Tragically Hick at this years' Fall Fair Dance (at the Legion hall). One of Vancouver's most talented and versatile guitar players, Ronnie will bring a roundup of musical stylings to the festival from country and blues, to blazing rock, to Christmas songs. He and Elvis, a powerhouse vocalist and charming character, will preside once again as the Indian Summerstock house band.

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ArtSpring viewed from the launch ramp

by Richard Moses

As the poets would have it, "What a swell party it was!"

We got a splendid idea of what the good ship ArtSpring will feel like in action. Toasted with mulled cider and rich Ometepe coffee, with cookie crumbs still hiding in the corners, and filled with the sounds of music, she was a great host. But now it's time to give her the finishing touches, dot the T's and cross all the I's, in proper Salt Spring fashion.

So, officially, the building will be closed until early in the new year when activities will begin in earnest.

Also closed is the former ArtSpring office McPhillips Ave. Office "furnishings" - including a marvelously accommodating Executive Director, Jane Forner, and the intrepid Karin Weber, long time volunteer office manager - have been moved into the

ArtSpring building itself.

However, because of ongoing construction, access to the office and to Ms Forner is by phone only at 537-2125 though she has been known to make house calls.

Bookings for the new year may still be made, and should be, as the calendar is filling up. An interim rental rate schedule is available from the office, but is being reviewed as more information and input are received.

The loss on December 2nd of Bob Jankura is being felt deeply by the I.A.C.S. Board which, as a small token of its, and the community's, appreciation for his untiring efforts, has named the cozy space off the Gallery The Bob Jankura Lounge.

Bob headed Dawn Wind Construction, contractors for the building, was the daily construction superintendent, and knew every bolt and beam in "his" project.

was remarkable not only in his grasp of every detail of the complex building schedule, but in his concern with every penny spent and his ability to keep the project on budget.

A memorial service for Bob is to be held at Fulford Hall on Friday, December 11 from 6 to 8 p.m.; it's a Salt

Spring potluck.

Bob's second-in-command Jim Anderson will take over supervision as the building is completed. Jim has done an heroic job both supporting an ailing Jankura and overseeing construction when necessary.

Rumour has it that in the last days of November and early December leading up to the Party, Jim simply moved in a cot and never went home at all!

ArtSpring is alive and well, and after a "shakedown cruise" over the next month or so, will be ready to take on passengers and performers, artisans and everybody.

31 Island studios offering great gifts for Christmas

Bert Small from Seagull Art Studio/Gallery, has pointed out that the "Best Bets for Gifts Under \$50" story published in the Barnacle's December 1st issue neglected to mention the many art studios offering great gifts for Christmas.

There are 31 island studios featured on the '98 Studio Tour map of Salt

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Spring Island which is available at the Tourist Info Centre, Studios, Marinas, on the ferries or by calling Bert Small at 537-4643. Thanks Bert!

Also omitted from the same story was A Thousand Words Picture Framing, who can still custom frame your treasures in time for Christmas.









And now . . . on with the show as ArtSpring opens

by Jim Russell

ArtSpring is open, and it is truly a wonderful place! At the grand opening on Saturday (Dec. 5), hundreds of eager islanders were on hand when the doors opened at 1 pm, and a steady stream of people poured through all afternoon.

After being cordially greeted by the volunteers, visitors were free to roam through the stunning new building and admire the work of over 70 painters, sculptors, potters, and other artisans that graced the walls and the visual arts section. In the theatre, there was a new performance taking place

about every 20 minutes, and people could wander in and out as they chose, which didn't seem to distract the performers a bit. The

seats were very comfortable, the lighting was great, and the music sounded fine, at least to my ears. Although smaller than some people would have liked it to be, the



Soapstone sculpture "Ascension" by Richard Dakin. "Rose Garden" quilt by Jocelyn Holmes

theatre has a good, intimate sort of feel to it, and promises much in the way of future performances.

At the beginning of a

The amount

of work that's

gone into

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astonishing'

- Jane Forner

poetry reading by the Mansell Girls, the audience spoke up and requested that a microphone be used, but

it was hardly a hushed crowd with all the coming and going. Outside the theatre, reactions were quite positive:

Eric Booth said: "It looks very, very smashing - I really enjoy the theatre layout. I think

look forward to doing something in here, both as a participant sitting in the theatre, and as a participant on the stage." (We can't

and

wait,

Donna Martin said:
"I think it's grand - I can
hardly wait to come
here for continuing
events!"

Executive Director

Jane Forner w a s equally enthusiastic, as well she might be. "It's just what a theatre should be, filled with people," she said. "We had no idea how

come, and we've got two full days of it, so . . . the more the merrier!" She went on to say,

many people would

She went on to say, "The amount of work that's gone into this from the community is just astonishing, and its all debt free. Its now up to me to keep the money coming in and to keep things balanced."

Balanced or not, ArtSpring is finally up and running, and shows every indication of becoming a successful showcase for some of the extraordinary talent we have here in our community, in both visual and performance art.

Good luck, ArtSpring, and now on with the show!



An untitled statue by Melissa Searcy

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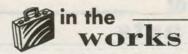
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Small Business ... with Marion H. Markus

Q: My bank statement shows cheques and withdrawals as DEBITS and deposits as CREDITS. Why does this seem backward when I go to post the entries in my bookkeeping journal?

A: In accounting your bank account (in your books) is an asset, which is also a debit account. To increase the value of this account you must debit it. The bank is sending a statement that represents its side of the picture, where a credit on your statement represents your dollar increase in your bank account, which is a loss or credit in the bank's books. Let's review debits and credits:

DEBIT: Figures recorded on the left side column in a double entry system of bookkeeping. Asset accounts and expense accounts should be debit accounts, and entered on the left side column. When you decrease the value of a debit account you credit the account.

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Phew! What does that mean? Double-entry is a method of bookkeeping where every transaction is split into two equal halves, a debit and a credit.

When you make a purchase, you will post a debit to the expense account and credit the bank. When you make a bank deposit you debit the bank account and credit the revenue account.

Later, I will discuss left and right sides of your Balance Sheet and of your Income Statement, which will help put all this into perspective.

Marion H. Markus is a freelance business consultant who specializes in accounting, tax preparation, computer and business training.

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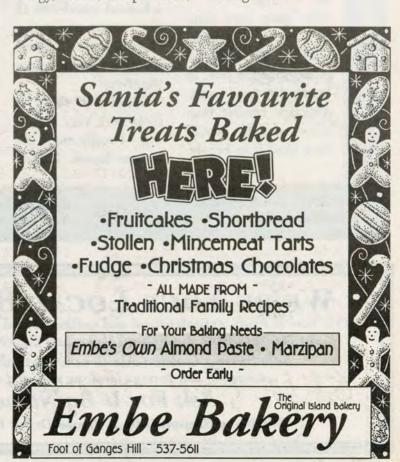
Skin Sensations is offering a stress release and makeover this Saturday, December 12, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

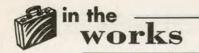
They will be having an open house with demonstrations in the area of make-up, massage, reflexology, Reiki, acupressure,

nail care, footcare, etc.

The public may come by and have a mini-treatment or a quick make-over. They will have coffee, tea and goodies — and lots of Gift Ideas to share with you.

Skin Sensations is located at #2102 - 115 Fulford Ganges Road.





Fulford gets its living room back

by Reid Collins

If you were around Fulford Harbour more than 15 years ago you knew it as the restaurant "Nan's" - renowned locally as a meeting place and farther afield for its fabulous pies. For a brief time it was the "Kingfisher", then for 12 years it was "Rodrigo's" with a menu geared to fast, good quality Mexican food and pies still capable of knocking your socks off.

Rodrigo's was sold,

becoming "The Raven's Nest". One would think that the new owners were trying to make a silk purse out of sow's ear when all along it was a perfectly good sow's ear. Not being open until 11 am would sound the death knell to any café.

Enter Helga, Michael, David, and John. Working ridiculous hours and operating on a shoestring, in a month they've given Fulford Harbour its living room back. Basically the same menu as Rodrigo's (and pies, mmm, pies) it is now called "Rose's", named after a chicken for some reason. They open at 7 am.

The best thing about the rejuvenation of the last month has been the spirit of co-operation and giving that many of the community have evidenced - helping repaint the place and taking shifts at cooking and serving.

Good luck Lady Rose, you've got a long, hard row to hoe.

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All the salmon is wild pacific BC salmon. A selection of cans packaged in new hand-crafted cedar boxes with original artwork make great holiday gifts.

Correction:

Hummingbird Haven Studio, featured in last week's What's New in Business column, is located on Churchill Road, not Church, as appeared last week. Sole Mates 105 Hilltop Road Salt Spring Island, V8K 1V9 Ph: 653-4125 Fax: 653-4141

Responding to the growing market in adventure holidays for people over the age of fifty, a small Salt Spring company is expanded its offerings of hiking holidays. In the 1999 season, Sole Mates Walking Tours will guide small exclusive groups on tours of both the California Wine Country and Kauai, the Garden Isle of Hawaii, in addition to their tours in the Gulf Islands and Vancouver Island.

Owner/Operators Elaine and Bruce Logan, themselves in their fifties, are former business consultants and educators, who have combined their love of the outdoors, leadership skills and appreciation for fine food and wine to put together unforgettable holiday experiences for their clients.

For more information, view their website at: www.solemateshikes.com or send email to logan@saltspring.com



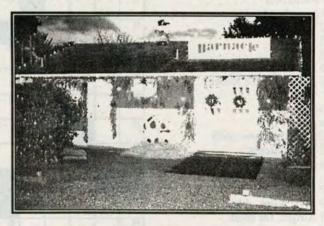
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Elly Van Akker (left) and Vicki Walker with CIBC's Angel Tree. Wrap a gift, put it under the tree, chose an angel, and help support children in need in this community.



Let's Eat ... with Linda Koroscil

Orange Frosted Shortbread Bars

Base 2 cups flour 1 cup butter

Mix & spread base ingredients in a buttered, 8x8 pan. Prick and bake 25 min @ 325° 'til

1/2 cup sugar 1 tsp vanilla

Topping 1.5 cups brown sugar 1 cup dates

2 tbsp flour 1/2 tsp baking powder 1/2 tsp salt

2 eggs, 1 egg yolk

Mix together dry ingredients & add beaten eggs. Spread on base, bake at 350° for 15 min., til brown. Cool. Frost with Orange icing. Orange Icing

3 tbsp melted butter

2 cups sifted icing sugar 1 tbsp boiling water

1 cup walnuts, chopped

1 tsp vanilla 2 thsp orange juice plus rind of 1 orange

Add butter & juice to icing sugar, beat. Add vanilla and water. This was my favourite Christmas slice my mom used to make.

Everyone's Health

by Barb Tymusko

When The Shoe Fits -Wear It. Yes, out of all the choices and outrageous prices of athletic footwear you finally found the best shoes. Your feet are happy, happy, happy!

You have the right model that fits your activity requirements and accommodates your foot shape and needs. Even the colour and style expresses the true athlete inside. They're so comfortable you could wear them all day long.

Life expectancy of shoes varies according to shoe quality, body weight, type and intensity of exercise, use of orthotics, terrain and weather. Most podiatrists will say to change shoes every six months. This can be longer if you use different shoes for specific activities and sports. And, if you rotate two-three pairs of shoes and limit your wear to exercise activity. Sole wear does not neccesarily reflect the loss of shoe shock absorption or mid-sole wear. The following guidelines help to take the guess work out of when to replace worn shoes. Adequate shock absorption may be lacking even when the shoe still looks relatively new.

Basically, listen to your body. Aches and pains in ankles, knees or hips could be an indication that your shoes have broken down and your body can no longer adapt. Every mile counts.

Submitted by Barbara CFC, BCRPA Tymusko, Personal Trainer, Fitness Instructor.

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General Guidelines for Athletic Shoe Life Expectancy

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- 15 Uncanny
- 17 Author of The Rebel Angels
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- 21 Musky cat?
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- 25 Small integer
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- 27 Oil company
- 29 Male Saint, abbr.
- 31 Alright, for short 32 Adhere
- and behold
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- 36 Purchase
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- 53 Field mouse 54 Sixties drug, for short
- 55 Verse form
- 56 Lady's given name

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- 1 Reverence
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- 3 Author of Now is the
- Time

- 15 31
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- 6 Scoreless tie
- 7 Put two and two together
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- 11 Optimal
- 16 Emergency measures org.
- 18 Wine
- 20 Muse
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- 23 Harness part
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- 28 Eightsome
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- 30 Childrens' playthings
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- 51 Roman 51
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Answers are on page 23



Horoscopes

For the week, by Michael O'Connor

Sagittarius (Nov 23 - Dec 22) A pioneering and rebellious mood continues to call you out. Can you hear it? You are being asked to find a new direction with heart and passion. You may live in the land of relativity and be better able to rationalize why you don't even exist like no other and then there is the consensus. Freedom is truly realized when our co-dependency is acknowledged and met. It is your right to stand on your own. Just make sure that you are not standing all alone.

Capricorn (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Are you hearing distant laughter in empty hall-ways? Or is it the song of angels singing a sweet lullaby? It's O.K. that you are sensing realities that others do not perceive. What matters most is that you do not think that you are losing your mind. Oh! you may be eliminating inherited ego patterns all right. So, if nothing else you have an opportunity to ask yourself where your center truly lies. Many are centered in their ego, some in their soul. Why not strike a deal between the two.

Aquarius (Jan 21 - Feb 19) There is a saying that our enemies can be our friends and our friends our enemies. This occurs when our friends lead us into old patterns of behavior that no longer serve partially, at least, so that they too do not have to find the courage to take new steps. our enemies serve by calling our bluff or pushing us out of attitudes that are limiting. Expand your perception of what a true friend is. Perhaps a true friend supports us to rise and pushes when we are afraid to fly.

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20) Taking risks to expand your public and professional standing continues. Even though communications may be a bit awry these days, perseverance remains your best option. Don't be too concerned about minor mishaps. Chalk them up to wrong timing and valuable messages that will reveal their worth a little later down the road. Do be open to improving the quality of your social skills. Your thought swill create your reality faster now than ever before so be clear and go big.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) Challenges to bring your thoughts and visions to a greater state of unity continue. You are after bottom line answers the thread of which joins all cultures and beliefs. With each breakthrough you feel giddy and peaceful at the same time. This is the natural result of the heart opened by the higher mind. Your current challenge is to share your growing awareness with others in a diplomatic fashion. Be sensitive to the imperfection of language and support others to share their perceptions their way.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) In a progressive sweep, inherited beliefs and self concepts are being erased. Like tulip bulbs lying dormant in the soil, the flowers of a whole new sense of identity await the spring sun. Be still and quiet like the ground beneath the snow. In this state you will be more receptive to the down pouring of sweet inspirations from above. You need not be passive, simply quiet and trusting. Allow the warmth of friendship to support you and assign the powers of your imagination to be your guide.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) The three air signs, Aquarius, Gemini and Libra can be likened to 'some one' (Aquarius) standing in front of a mirror (Gemini) seeing their reflection (Libra). The projected image mirrors it's reflection. We are all projectors and reality is like a giant three dimensional mirror. So what are you seeing reflected back to you? Are you happy with the image? If the reflection shows a dirty face and messy hair it is up to you to wash and groom. A beautiful projection is the same by reflection. This is so in all respects.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22) While habitual patterns can be boring and even detrimental to health, they are also the path to mastery. The difference is that the path to mastery is lined with good habits. Good habits begin with a heart felt desire born of a vision to be all that we can be. Honoring our individuality is fair and so too is identifying with and role modeling some of the healthy habits exercised by others. The time is ripe to make commitments to establishing a more healthy routine. Get a jump on the new year.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) Your greatest challenge now may be the process of making choices worthy of your commitment. You can bide your time and think about it for now. As the new year comes on, however, you will find yourself increasingly eager to take a plunge into the unknown. In the meantime, reach out and explore the possibilities. Exercise innocence and trust without being naive. The more information you can gather about the possibilities the more confident you will feel.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22) Expanding your horizons in the comfort of your home is the call now. Whether simply dreaming and contemplating or opening yourself to new insights via books or television etc. you need not go far to gain new awareness. The same is true even if your focus is upon financial strategies for the future. Combining adventure with stability is the synthesis you seek. Invest positive thoughts into your future and do not fall prey to doom and gloom fears. Let vision and imagination cut through the 'facts'.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22) Exploring distant horizons of perception continues. Beliefs may well be high on your list of subjects to ponder. Beliefs are the source of motive for us all. Pioneering efforts to better understand this fundamental concept will pay off. A diplomatic approach to truly hearing what others have to say and expressing your own perspectives is the goal. As your mind drifts to how fortunate you may feel for your own cultural background, trust that your friends are feeling the same way.

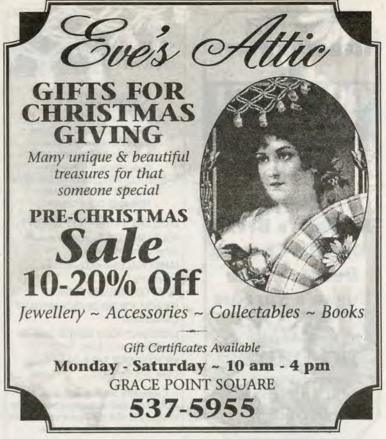
Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 22) Making the most of your personal resources and talents continues. Gathering in imaginative ideas that you can harness is a main focus. A courageous examination of inner perspectives concerning right conduct in relationships seems likely. Waves of inspiration are coming fast now and will continue for a long time so there is no panic. However, the sooner you establish a more receptive approach the sooner will you be able to turn new creative expressions into practical returns.

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By Darin Craig

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Bowling Banter

by Ruth Hume

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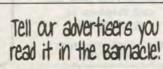
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By Alison Booth

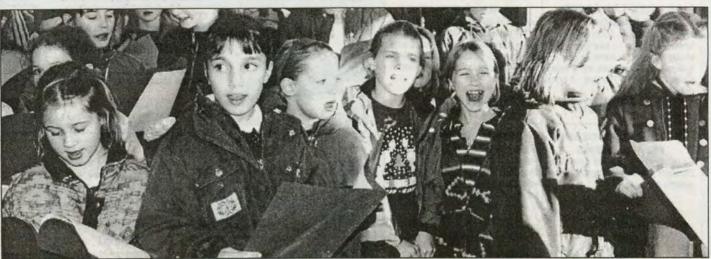
Christmas has arrived in Fulford, bringing holiday lights, outstanding craft fairs, and a visit from the one and only St.Nick.

Children gathered at Fulford Inn Sunday morning, to eat buttermilk pancakes and have a little chat with Santa. When he finally arrived, kids got a chance to talk with him, plead their cases of outstanding behavior over the past year, and ask him to make their dreams come true; in the form of everything from "tools" to a "toy wheel".

Santa made another appearance in front of the Post Office at 1:30, where children of all ages gathered with family and friends to listen to the Fulford Elementary School Choir sing Christmas carols, and drink hot chocolate.

It was a great day for the kids full of sunshine and song, the only mix-up being when a child asked Santa where the reindeer were and he replied "in the coffeeshop". I couldn't help but laugh when they all made a break for Rose's Cafe to look for the reindeer, and he looked up at me and said "uh-oh".





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