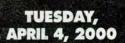
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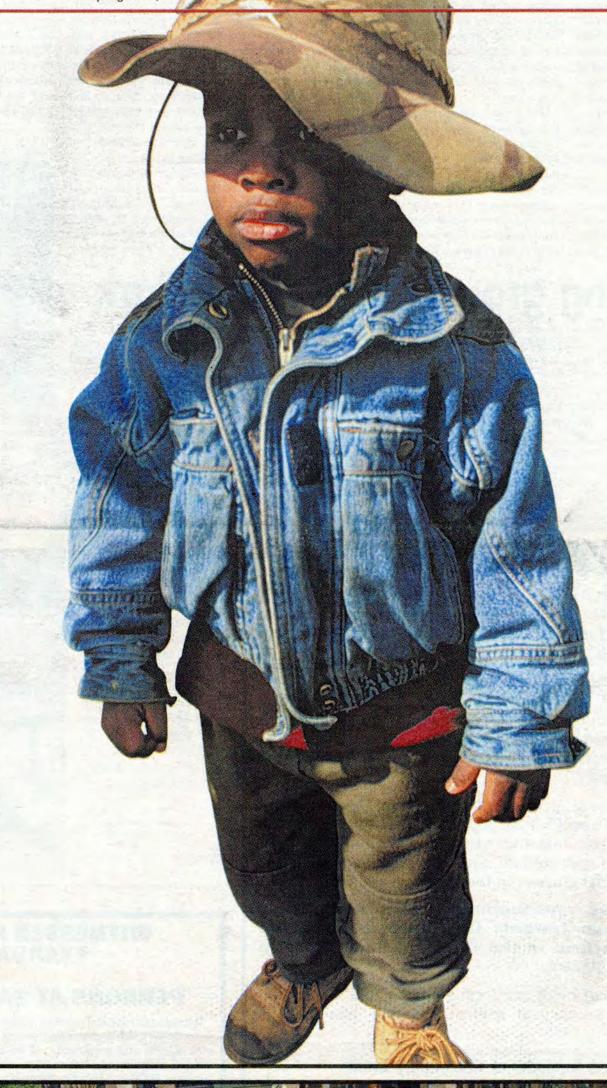
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Nicholas Openshaw, former resident of Salt Spring, enjoys a sunny Ruckle day in Uncle Jojo's hat.

Jonathan Grant photo





island news

Texada and Macdonald file suits against Islanders

the local bailiff's office as Texada Land Corporation and Robert J. Macdonald went on separate law suit sprees. Writs of summons were issued to a number of named and unnamed members of the Direct Action Committee—protesting Texada's clear-cut logging operations—and to the Barnacle, Shelagh Plunkett and John Pottinger.

In a two-pronged attack, Texada Land Corporation is seeking immediate injunctions against 10 named individuals and John and Jane

It was a busy weekend for Does who are members of or associated with the Direct Action protest group while Macdonald (the principle of Texada Land Corporation) is seeking damages against the weekly paper, its editor and one writer for defamation and malice.

> "It's a very curt claim at the moment," said John Davies, speaking on the summons' served against members of the Direct Action Committee.

> Texada Land Corporation is charging those named and unnamed with obstruction causing loss of income to the

company. It seeks immediate and permanent injunctions as well as "such other consequential relief" the court deems just. In support of Texada's claim, a signed affidavit from Regan Trethewey suggests that logs are piling up at Texada's cut blocks and that the company is, in essence, unable to get their goods to market because of persistent protest activities.

"I want them to tell me what I did personally to cause them to lose money," said Murray Reiss, one of the 10 named defendants in Texada's suite. Reiss said he hasn't been involved in any blockade activities for months and that the only time he engaged in any such activity was during a rally and symbolic blockade held January 5. Describing the slap suites as, "the corporate version of what Dorman and his boys have been doing," Reiss echoed Davies in saying Texada is reverting to bullying tactics.

In his action against the Barnacle, and Plunkett and individually, Pottinger Macdonald cites an editorial—Shining a light into dark, dank corners-by Plunkett

and an Isle Say column by John Pottinger entitled To everything there is a season. Seeking a list of damages and an injunction against "the defendants publishing further defamatory statements," Macdonald claims the paper and the two writers published the columns, "out of

malice...with the purpose of discrediting [Macdonald's] personal and business reputation."

Jeff Outerbridge, owner and publisher of the Barnacle said, "I am very comfortable of our coverage of Texada's activities on the Island."



A symbolic "sod" breaking was held March 31 to mark the start of the Portlock Park bikeway. From the front are: Claire Heffernan (Island Pathways president), Janet Murray (with Charlie), Bruce Grey, Lauren Sipone, Margaretha Nordine, Jamie Squier (PARC Commissionerl, and lean Gelwicks, Said one in attendance, "The fundraising took three years and the path will be done in six days."

at Portlock Park Breaking ground

Claire Heffernan is pleased to announce the start of the Portlock Park bikeway/walkway and park beautification project. The Salt Spring Island Parks; Arts and Recreation Commission, in consultation with Island Pathways, has awarded the contract to Seagull Paving of Victoria who will build a

Island Pathways president paved shoulder around the perimeter of the park at a cost of \$22,600. Construction is scheduled to begin April 10 and will take approximately six days. Philip Grange is the project manager.

"Park beautification is still in the planning stages and we're asking park staff for their suggestions on which type of trees and shrubs

would be best for the park," said Heffernan. "We are also installing a bike rack and erecting a small wooden sign listing the donors and dedicating the project to the memory of Bicycle Bob Simons." Bob was an Island Pathways board member and cyclist who passed away in March 1999. Contributors to the project

include PARC, BC 2000 Community Spirit Program, the Salt Spring Island Foundation, Bicycle Bob Fund, Rotary Club, TELUS and Island Pathways. Total cost for the project is \$29,000.

"We see the Portlock project as the first in a series of sections of paved shoulders that will be see Portlock p27

The 30-Hour Famine

The Gulf Islands Secondary School's Leadership class is organizing a 30-Hour Famine on April 7th, to encourage youth to work together and to raise money to build a school house in Ghana, West Africa.

Over 200 students from our high school will be participating (raising money, spending the night in the school, and not eating for 30 hours!) Students participating must drink fluids constantly throughout the Famine to keep from becoming dehydrated. Afterwards, there will be a post-famine celebration dinner.

This fund-raising is being done through the non-profit organization "Cross Cultural Solutions," whose mission is to employ volunteer humanitarian action to empower local communities, foster cultural sensitivity and understanding, and further social progress in India, Ghana and Peru.

100% of the contributions to this fund-raising effort will go towards the construction of an elementary school in the village of Ziave Lume in Ghana, West Africa.

This large event helps our local youth to take a step into international issues, and realize that they can make a difference.

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BENCHED!- Local realtors John Steele and Santy Fuoco agreed to pose for our camera seated on a new bench dedicated to the memory of Alec Spencer. Located in front of the Delta 10 buoy, the bench was built by Doug Rajala Jr free of charge.



WITNESSES AND CLAIMS RE: TEXADA/DORMAN

Witnesses and claimants are invited to provide statements, photos, videos, documents evidencing any unlawful acts alleged to have been committed by corporate agents and employees, at various places at Salt Spring Island, such as, alleged intimidation, harassment, threatening, and assault to persons; alleged trespass, WCB and other regulatory violants; alleged vandalism to motor vehicles; alleged travelling at unsafe speeds and failing to observe stop signs on school bus routes; alleged drinking and driving; alleged acts or threats of nuisance diminishing business and real property values; alleged breaches of the Code of Principles and other agreements. Deliver statements in writing to John Allan Davies, Barrister and Solicitor, Access Law Centre. Tel: 537-4061, Fax: 537-4071, Email: accesslaw@saltspring.com.

Thank you. J. Davies

April 8 SS Options

What will Salt Spring Island look like 50 years from now? Will we have forestry activities that are communitybased and ecologically appropriate? How do we get there from here?

On Saturday, April 8, the Salt Spring Conservancy is inviting people to join a dialogue with Ray Travers of the Ecoforestry Institute, Alan Chambers of the Forest Land Commission, and David Essig, Islands Trust, about this critical topic. As well, a vision for a community forest trust on Salt Spring will be presented by Andrew Lewis.

Industrial logging operations by Texada Land Corporation have focussed the spotlight on questions about forestry practices here. Community spokespeople are clear that the question is one of how to change to ecologically based forestry that benefits the Island in perpetuity, not one of no logging. The workshop will begin with Ray Travers' exploration of ways to change both our attitudes and practices, and then participants will be asked to identify the values and principles that they hope to see incorporated into forest practices here.

Alan Chambers will note the new regulations that are now effective concerning forest practices in managed forests and in the Forest Land Reserve, and he and David Essig will explore how the Land Commission's role fits with the Islands Trust mandate to preserve and protect. Regulatory changes required to enable by a local group about the creation of a community forest trust on Salt Spring.

The workshop starts at 9.30 a.m. and runs to 4 p.m. at the Lions Club Hart By Peggy Abrahams Bradley Hall on Bonnet Road. Cost is \$10 (\$8 for Conservancy members). Refreshments will be provided, but bring your own lunch. For information, contact Nora Layard at 537-4612.

Hepatitis C support group

by Peggy Abrahams

A new support group for people infected or affected by Hepatitis C has recently been formed in Salt Spring. The group will meet weekly at the Salt Spring private land are met. Community Services Society Center.

affiliated with the Community remedial actions and imposing penalties Services Society, a spokesperson for of up to \$1 million for non-compliance. In Community Services said that the addition, it is intended to improve protec-Society has recognized a local need for tion for wildlife, fish quality, soil conservaa Hepatitis C support group, and has tion and critical wildlife habitat. tion to meeting, group members will the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, have access to a message center, infor- lawyer Judy Atkins examined this new mation and other resources. For more legislation to see if it presented new information, call the Community legal avenues for controlling timber Services Society at 537-9971.

caused by the Hepatitis C virus, which is FLC a new role and added powers in most often contracted by blood transfu- administering forest practices on prision or intravenous drug use, vate land, and creates new standards Hemophiliacs and intravenous drug users for forest practices. However, Atkins are at greatest risk. The Capital Health noted, "The new standards are not as Region reported 108 new cases of stringent as those governing forest Hepatitis C already this year. Last year, practices on Crown land." 433 new cases were tracked in the Region. She also noted that the amendment Fowler at 538-0345.



SPRING HAS SPRUNG—And so has the Saturday Market. Despite grey skies, plenty were on hand at Saturday's official opening of the market marked by music, a visit from the Dwarves and the usual mix of dogs and people.

eco-forestry will also be explored. Andrew Lewis will present the thinking being done Amendment to Forest Land Reserve Act becomes law

An amendment to the Forest Land Reserve Act, Bill 56-1999, providing for the Forest Land Commission to administer and enforce the regulation of forest practices on private land, came into effect April 1. The new legislation is described by the Ministry of Forests as "the new model for regulating logging on private land." The Ministry indicated that under the new legislation, the Forest Land Commission (FLC) will measure the performance of landowners through monitoring, public reporting of results and independent auditing to make sure standards for logging on

The amendment arms the FLC to Although the support group is not enforce the regulations through requiring

harvesting on the Texada lands. She Hepatitis C is a disease of the liver wrote that the legislation gives the

was intended by the Province to take private property rights into account. Local lawyer John Davies, who served as Atkins' local liaison and who attended the meeting when she presented her report, commented that the legislation is a product of government and industry.

"If there are any improvements, they don't appear to be enforceable and they depend on the cooperation of private companies. It's the kind of thing industry would write for themselves," he said.

To read the amendment or learn more about the Forest Land Reserve Act, visit the Ministry of Forests website at www.landcommission.gov.bc.ca/flc/.

129 strong

Salt Spring Hours Barter Network will hold its next potluck dinner on Wednesday April 12, at 6 p.m. at the Salt Spring Community Services agreed to provide the space. In addi- In a report presented last week to Center, Network founder Baron Fowler announced.

Reporting that the network has now grown to 129 members, Fowler said, "I hear trades are happening all the time. It's been a little slow over the winter months, but it's happening. Encouraging people to come to the potluck, Fowler pointed out it's an opportunity for members to market their products and services. "There's always a chance for networking, and we give people a chance to tell what they do."

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In the cathird seat ... with Shelash Plunkett

Remember the story of the gullible Emperor and his new clothes?

After months of being happily bamboozled by big city tailors who "convince" him that nothing is something, (and worth a lot of money) the Emperor goes on parade to show off his new duds. His public relations people had been working hard to justify the enormous wardrobe expenditure and the entire citizenry has been waiting to see the clothes, reports of which have described the outfit as magnificent beyond description.

All come out to see the Emperor as he struts his stuff down the main drag. And, all do see...all. Because, as one lone boy points out, the Emperor is stark naked. Overly anxious to appear "with it," the Emperor has been whole heartedly taken in by the slick tailors who claim that the air they offer up is in fact the very finest of cloth, the latest thing, what all the important people are wearing that season.

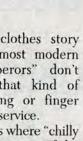
The hero in the story is the one boy who wasn't about to be taken in and who had the courage to say so. He saw a naked man and he said he saw a naked man. Plain and simple truth.

These days there aren't many emperors kicking around but there are wealthy men and there are powerful corporations and sometimes they behave as though they were emperors. And, there are, scattered here and there, individuals willing and able to pipe up and say, "hey, that's not what you said it was." the new clothes story however, most modern day "emperors" don't consider that kind of truth telling or finger pointing a service.

And that's where "chilly climate" comes in. If the Emperor had marched through town in this day and age, chances are he'd have slapped the boy who spoke up with a libel suite or an injunction prohibiting him from appearing among the crowds gathering when the Emperor went pub-

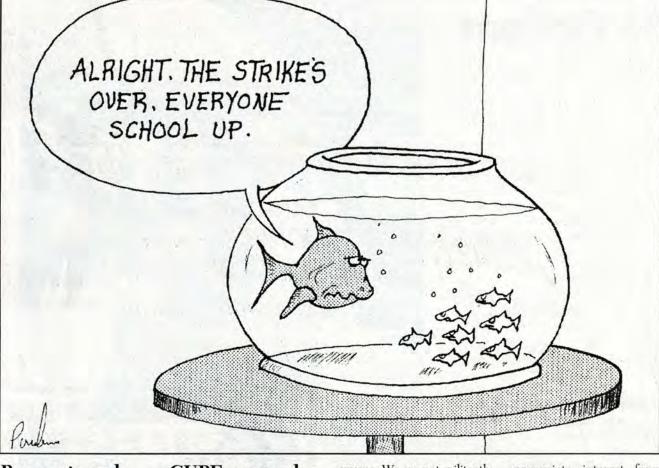
They call it libel chill and its a nasty strategy used to intimidate and scare those who would write or speak about things that shouldn't be. Unlike legitimate libel action, libel chill is a bullying tactic used to silence what is no longer a gullible citizenry. People today are pretty well informed and, on this Island in particular, intelligent and outspoken. Emperors can no longer assume that just one or two lone individuals will see through the smoke and mirrors, the spin and the baffle-gab and so they sometimes seek to shut the entire village up.

In Canada we've fought long and hard for the dom of speech and the right of the press to report freely on the doings of politicians, individuals and corporations. The question now is how loud is too loud? If a group of people trying to protect their neighbourhood start shouting loudly in its defense, when is it right to tell them to pipe down, stop talking, stop Unlike the Emperor in watching and stay away?



Bricks Nina took quick action by

right to assemble, free-



Bouquets and

A big bouquet and many thanks to Nina Cramer and her daughter Kristy for their quick thinking while walking our dogs Casey and Jewel at Mouat Park last Tuesday afternoon. With their walk almost over, the dogs headed down to the stream for one last splash. My dog Casey roamed off trail and came back with a severely lacerated front paw, obviously cut on some broken glass.

applying a tourniquet on the leg and Kristy bravely held a makeshift pressure bandage on Casey's paw, while Nina drove up to Malcolm Bond's clinic where Casey was treated for the laceration that had severed an artery in his paw. A second bouquet to Malcolm and Stephanie Bond for their help in this emergency; they, as always, were wonderful.

As for the bricks, well. I'm not sure who to send them out to. But, if you enjoy Mouat Park at all be you golf discers, dog walkers or parents with your kids out for a stroll, please let's all make an effort to keep Mouat Park a safe place for all to

CUPE responds to editorial

If Wayne Lee has two children in this district, and if he were active in the Parent Advisory Committees or the District Parent Advisory Committee, he would be well aware that the parent groups in this district and CUPE have enjoyed open communication and good co-working relationships for years past and will for years to come.

The clipping, by the disgusted Margaret Wente in the Globe and Mail, has as much credibility as the ultra-rightwing, labour-baiting publication from whence it was snipped.

The "issue" referred toeliminating parent volunteer workers-is not even part of the equation in our contract negotiations. The clause you quote is taken from the contract between the Surrey school district and its support staff and was invoked in one recent grievance action there that involved disagreement between the CUPE Local and a corporate sponsor running a programme. breakfast Throughout the province, many, many parent volunteers and CUPE workers work side by side with no rancor whatsoever. CUPE members are parents and volunteers, too, JUDITH RITCHIE and appreciate the efforts of be the result of public invest

anyone. We are not militantly demanding the elimination of parent volunteers. In fact, we would emphatically oppose it.

This strike is the culmination of years of frustration for all school districts in the province. CUPE members see first hand everyday, erosion of the school system due to cutbacks, in the level of education, the condition of the schools and, yes, our jobs. The issues are deeply embedded and complex. B.C.PSEA is tyrannical in negotiations and CUPE had no recourse but to strike.

> YVONNE FEE President, CUPE 788

Picking through

the droppings
The line between fact and opinion looks very blurry when you write about volunteering, as if you have extensive personal knowledge about school employment and volunteering, public finance and pedagogical philosophy, the compromising of social studies, a gullible citizenry, schools or school employment. Arguments about curriculum content are obscured but are key to the issues and have been for a very long time. Appreciation for the school system and the educational experience must AND CASEY parent volunteers as much as ment in education. The

appropriate interest from students and their eventual citizenship is earned.

I was a parent with kids in this school system also. I was disgusted and dismayed by it and so were they. I could see what looked to be the problems, but more I suspected there were other, older processes at work, far older than myself; the assumptions of other uninformed people were not worth my conviction on the issues: not then, not now. And actually, research shows that the real impact of parents on schooling happens long before age five, and that kindergarten and grade one teachers can already tell with high probability what children will be at risk to drop out, or asked to leave, by grade ten. Also, it was concluded by another study that given the same abilites in two grade two students, the quality of teacher can affect a child in percentile ratings between grades two and five by as much as fifty points.

I have looked at the issues from many sides—the parents, taxpayers, the griping public, teachers, CUPE support staff, and A.O. people. Most especially I have listened to other students, and they have told me about their ideas and experiences in

see Droppings p5

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Droppings cont'd from p4 school, including on paper. I have volunteered for organizations extensively.

Try looking with laterality and with more curiosity, if you have time, to the issues on schools and students, or at least make some attempt to understand what is truly going on, outside your very obvious opinions and those of a directly similar nature, before you publish—instead of spreading droppings from the catbird seat. Thankfully, they always land on the newspaper.

VALERIE MCDONALD

Clean sweep

The Great Ganges Clean Up happened Monday with at least 30 Guides, Sparks, Brownies and Pathfinders together with volunteer par-

ents and staff of a local gallery. En masse they swooped down the side streets and curbs. Sporting rubber gloves, garbage bags and oodles of enthusiasm, they swept the nooks and crannies of the town. Nine full green garbage bags were brought back and countless numbers of recyclable items. We had interest prior to the event and heard of families even taking the initiative of going out together to clean their own neighborhood streets! Thank you all who felt the call to act. I hope those that still intend to, know that it is not too late. Anytime is a good time! And it is actually fun with family and friends. I recommend wearing gloves and watching out for cars.

So please everyone let's be aware of our surroundings.

We are all responsible for our environment-whether we own the land/building or not. If you see the garbage—then it's yours to pick up and pitch in. No fingers wagged or judgments made. Just take the initiative and realize the responsibility is on all of us to make our surroundings beautiful.

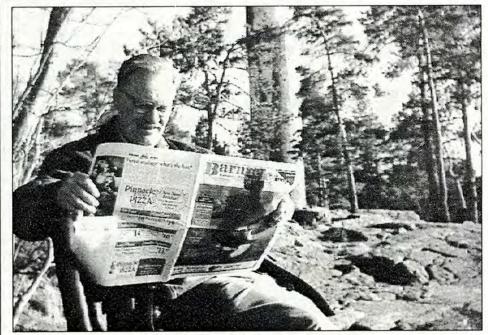
So thanks again all those who do and who will. It's great being a part of "Like Minds."

JILL CAMPBELL

I'm tempted to get a horse...

As you may have noticed, gas prices are skyrocketing beginning this week and speculation has it the price will not be going down until the end of summer.

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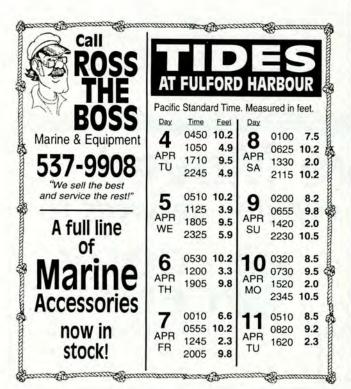


A journal as literary as the Barnacle can be found in the most unusual places. Take Kristinehamn, Sweden, home of Picasso's first and largest (15 m) sculpture, population: 8, 865,051.

Mea culpa

Those darn gremlins! They were back again last week and the Barnacle suffered a minor attack of the goof-ups as a result. In our tribute to the Mouat/Toynbee families we made the mistake of reporting that they had a hand in the Grace Point development. Not so. Although they've contributed a lot to the downtown core, Grace Point Square was never one of the Mouat/Toynbee projects.

On page 2 in an article about a petition signed by 1500 Islanders and presented to the Islands Trust we wrote that the signatories represented half the local electorate. Make that half of those who voted in the last election. The registry of voters (or local electorate) contains some 6,000 names only about half of whom, some 3,000 individuals, marked their ballots in the election. Half of those—1,500—are equivalent to the number that signed the petition.



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Tempted cont'd from p5

I am planning to participate in the gas out mentioned below, whether or not it works, we'll see. Anytime we can stick it to them it's a good day.

Last year on April 30 a gas out was staged across Canada and the U.S. to bring the price of gas down, and it worked. It's time to do something about it again. This time lets make it for three days instead of just one. The oil cartel decided to slow production to drive up gasoline prices. Lets see how many Canadian-American people we can get to band together for a three-day period in April, not to buy any gasoline during those three days. Let's have a gas out!

Do not buy any gasoline from April 7 through April 9.

Buy what you need before the dates listed above, or after, but try not to buy any during the gas out. If you want to help, ask everyone you know to do the same. We brought the prices down once before and we can do it again! Come on, North America, let's stand together.

We can make a difference! ROBERT OSBORNE

WC2 urges action

The Western Canada Wilderness Committee (WCWC) believes that the rapid clearcutting by Texada Land Corporation and their contractors on western Salt Spring Island and around Horne Lake near Nanaimo is detrimental to the aesthetic appeal of the landscape, to tourism and to the ecological integrity of these contentious areas.

Texada has been cutting at an alarming rate on Salt Spring Island, clear-cutting five acres of forest each day.

These forests are part of the Sea to Sea Green Blue Belt, a stretch of wild lands that WCWC and thousands of citizens have been working to protect for many years. Texada lands on Salt Spring Island contain Canada's largest endangered Garry oak forest, rare Douglas fir stands, and numerous rare and endangered species.

Texada's logging practices are also very destructive. At Home Lake, they are leaving large amounts of garbage from dynamite on hilltops and are blasting through geologically sensitive karst areas known for having underground streams and sinkholes. They are rapidly cutting down large tracts of second growth and some oldgrowth timber, as well as destroying non-marketable timber. They are cutting on steep slopes, greatly enhancing the likelihood of landslides. They are logging on Saturdays and Sundays and cutting faster than they can haul the timber out. They are displaying NO sense of sustainable or even well planned forestry.

Texada Land Corporation has no past experience in logging. Their approach to logging has caused a massive outcry from residents of Salt Spring Island, escalating to violence when Texada contract workers assaulted residents during the night of March 13. Currently, the local RCMP is investigating the incident to ascertain whether criminal charges will be pressed.

We strongly recommend to the Princess Gloria von Thurn und Taxis and to Manulife that action be taken to halt Texada's logging operations on Salt Spring and around Horne Lake until local citizens and environmental groups can negotiate land purchases from Texada and arrange for slower, more sensitive logging in appropriate places. To allow Texada's current clear-cutting practices in such contentious areas is clearly not in line with the public's environmental consciousness.

KEN WU AND DIONA DAVIES Western Canada Wilderness Committee,

Take responsibility

Young kids at parties should take responsibility for their actions. How long can you go on blaming parents for poor raising or being improper role models? This is the story of our little Island and the rest of the world of parenting. Countless stories have been told over the last few months about young girls being date raped, youths getting extremely intoxicated and having automobile accidents and making many other poor decisions.

Do you really think that any of these types of incidents would have been prevented by parents repeating their good advice twice? "Stay away from boys," "don't drink and drive," etc. I really don't think so.

What is the critical point to reach at which children are considered capable of discerning beneficial from detrimental decisions? I personally know a two-year-old girl who can't speak in sentences but can inform me with accuracy when she has to go to the bathroom, what she'd prefer to eat for lunch and what activities she'd like to engage in on a particular afternoon. She can even tell me she loves her dad, but not the stranger who entered the

see Reponsibility p27

AGM includes loan approval

by Judy Moscovitz

Last Sunday, the Gulf Islands Community Arts Council (GICAC) held its first Annual General Meeting on Salt Spring in more than six years. Calling the well-attended meeting "a phoenix arisen," interim board member Mackenzie presided over discussions about the upcoming ArtCraft exhibit and the election of officers for a new, permanent Board of Directors.

Although ArtCraft will largely remain its familiar self this year, the following changes will be made: There will now be a \$25

entry fee, the requirement to volunteer eight hours of time has been dropped, and the commission rate will now be 28 per cent across the board, instead of different rates for different categories of participants.

Citing infrastructure deficiencies that go back almost three decades, Mackenzie announced that a work party would soon be deployed to Mahon Hall, home of ArtCraft, to bring it up to snuff.

Financial matters were of some concern to members, who learned that though the Council shows a net worth of over \$100,000, it has no

cash on hand, no term deposits, no accounts receivable-and a \$30,000 debt, largely unpaid sales taxes. Because GICAC has been unable to access some of its usual sources of support— PARC questioned the legitimacy of the Interim Board and refused to turn over its usual \$2000 grant-a special resolution was passed allowing the board to borrow up to \$40,000 for past and future expenses.

Judith Borbas, chair of the nominating committee, presented a slate of candidates for the nine available board positions, decribing

see GICAC p16



world's finest. On sale, it means really good stuff at bargain prices - not an everyday occurrence. Secondly, shown below are details of our spectacular new Door Crasher (warning: we tested this and had line-ups by 7:30 a.m. - don't sleep in). Thirdly, many dealers are also featuring our new Paderno utensils* (if you like the pots, you'll

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Forum draws 200

by Rob McMahon

"Display the wisdom of a garbage person." This enigmatic statement, spoken by Keith Pattinson of the Boys and Girls Club of BC, became the theme of the Building a Youth-Positive Community forum which was held last Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Meaden Hall. The forum, which climaxed three months of research conducted by Myranda O'Byrne and Richard Kerr, focussed on how individuals can aid in building stronger social ties within communities and, through that, combat common misunderstandings between generations.

Choosing to focus on the group of appoximately 200 people who gathered at the Hall, Pattinson quoted anthropologist Margaret Mead: "All the world's great ideals have to start in someneighborhood." body's Adding that he was "preaching to the converted," he praised the community on its efforts so far, and urged it to spread its knowledge among the majority who weren't present.

The forum consisted of opening statements by RCMP Sergeant Paul Darbyshire on behalf of the Crime Prevention

Association and Karen Davies for the SSI Health Association (co-sponsors of the event). Darbyshire gave a summary of past Salt Spring Crime Prevention activities, including the successful "Party Crashers" programme and Community Justice Programme. Davies spoke on observing, in hospital emergency rooms, the results of drinking and driving. O'Byrne and Kerr gave a brief description of Phase I of their project, stating that alcohol and drug use may occur at "somewhat higher" levels on the Island than in comparable communities, adding that, conversely, slighter lower than average levels of vandalism and theft occur here. They outlined plans for Phase IÍ, which will consist of implementation of the ideas and activities coming out of the meeting. The facilitators ended by thanking the individuals involved in donating time and energy to the project, and were presented with a check for \$500 from Alan Wyatt representing Branch 92 (Salt Spring Island) of the Legion, to be used to send two local students to a workshop in Penticton.

see Forum p27



Clear-cuts courtesy of Texada Land Corporation

Tex Tours: Come see for yourself

Is this what you want for your Island? Come and see first hand what is happening on Texada lands. Meet at 1:30 p.m., Sunday April 9, approximately 30 metres

up Musgrave Road from the junction of Musgrave and Isabella Point Roads. A carpool and convoy will form and take everyone to near the logging site on

Mount Tuam (20 minute the way back down the drive) where knowledgeable Islanders will discuss the scale, pattern and implications of the logging activities. Afterwards, on

mountain, those who wish to visit the peace camp can offer support to those attempting to protect our Island's forests.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Ratepayers of the North Salt Spring Waterworks District will be held at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday the 11th day of April, 2000, at the Masonic Hall, 506 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C.

As required by the Letters Patent of the District the Annual General Meeting will be held for the following purposes:

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- To discuss with the Trustees any matter relating to the works or finances of the Improvement District.
- 3. To fix the remuneration of the Trustees for the ensuring year.
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Town Hall features dwarves, lawyers and fundraising chiefs

Salt Spring rallies planned in Victoria and Vancouver

by Peggy Abrahams

A dose of comic relief was a welcome interlude at the Town Hall meeting on the Texada lands last Thursday when the Dwarves sang their own versions of This Land is Your Land and Let it Be for about 150 islanders gathered at Fulford Hall.

The closing refrain of the Dwarves version of Beatles' classic Let it Be, was, "Let it be treed." The Dwarves announced their plan to march across the Island on Saturday, April 1 to raise money for the land acquisition fund. "As is our way, we grovel and plead for money," one of the Dwarves said.

Capital campaign

Save Salt Spring fundraising director Elizabeth White announced that the May Day campaign is past the halfway point towards its \$500,000 goal to help the CRD acquire land from Texada. "That means we're well

over \$250,000.... We have just under five weeks left. I'd like to challenge every individual and group on the Island to make a donation."

White explained that the group has a slide show and would be happy to make presentations to interested community groups. In addition, she suggested that individuals visit the information center over Mobile Market. She also announced upcoming fundraising events. The Salt Spring

Conservancy will be holding a barn dance and auction April 22. Fundraising tea parties are in the planning stages, as is a big May Day event.

It was also announced that shoppers at Ganges Village Market now can support the Save Salt Spring campaign by dropping their cash register receipts in a community Save Salt Spring box. Shoppers at Thrifty's can ask the cashier to make a donation to code 58.

Salt Spring rallies— Victoria legislature and **Texada's Vancouver offices**

Murray Reiss announced plans for a demonstration at the provincial legislative buildings, on Wednesday, April 12. Explaining that the theme of this demonstration will be Unchain the Islands Trust, Reiss said hundreds of protestors will wear chains to dramatize the Trust's quandary. Referring to the Trust's lack of authority to regulate logging on private land, Reiss said, "As the trustees tell us, 'Our hands are tied.'

Inviting participation in the rally, Reiss said the group will take the 11 a.m. ferry from Fulford. Buses will be organized to take Islanders to the legis-

lature and the group will return on the 4:30 ferry. Reiss also announced plans for a May 18 rally at a Victoria Writers' Festival sponsored by Manulife, the mortgage lender for Texada.

Another rally will be held April 17 at 938 Howe Street, the corporate offices of Texada Land Corporation, Bart Terwiel told the Town Hall. Bus transport will be arranged from Tswassen to downtown, he said.

Logging update

Forestry consultant Sally John gave the community an update on Texada's logging operation. Estimating that 300 to 500 acres have been logged to date, John said 10 to 20 truckloads of timber are hauled out each day. She explained that the logging continues on Mount Tuam, and that the next site will most likely be near the skating lake on the Mount Bruce block.

John said Texada apparently has not

cial jurisdiction. He said that the Islands Trust was able to make a difference in the Maxwell Lake area where there is a DPA not in the FLR.

Borrowman said that the Trust is making efforts to work with the new Minister of Forests, Jim Doyle. He said he plans to attend the April 12 demonstration to help unchain the Islands Trust. "I said I'd come, but it may be the opportunity to meet with Mr. Doyle, so I may be on the inside."

Legal view

Lawyer John Davies informed the Town Hall that a report by Judy Atkins, a lawyer hired by the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, was presented this week. In her report, Atkins analyzed all legislation that could provide avenues to control logging on private land.

According to Davies, the report produced little in the way of legal remedies. "It's not going to solve the prob-

lem. It does sort of point a finger at the Islands Trust and say they could be doing something, but does not say what the Islands Trust could be doing," Davies said. (The Barnacle has obtained a copy of the report; see accompanying story.)



Dwarves en route across Salt Spring to raise money for the land aquisition fund

adhered to a Code of Logging Practices, as promised to Islanders earlier. Referring to a principal of the code in which Texada said they would only

harvest second growth, not old growth trees, John said, "I counted the rings on one tree-the tree dated from 1730. I don't think there was much logging in 1730.... This is just like the fox saying he'll stay out of the chicken coop."

Adding that someone should be setting acceptable limits, John said there are two things needed now. "One, we need the empowerment of the Islands Trust, and two, an easily monitored set of guidelines for our Island forests."

Islands Trust update

Trustee David Borrowman gave an overview of efforts by the Trust to control timber harvesting on Texada lands. He said the Trust is proposing to amend the Official Community Plan (OCP) with a development permit area (DPA) to protect local Garry Oak forest, the bulk of which is on Texada-owned land. He acknowledged that this DPA will be limited to the extent that it can not interfere with logging practices on forest land reserve (FLR), which is under provin-

Community Forests

A community forest group has been formed to explore options for establishing a local community

forest, Andrew Lewis announced. He outlined three models for setting up and financing the community-run forest: first, an investor model where a group of investors form a partnership; second, a conservation buyer who would buy property, put a conservation covenant on the land and lease it back to the community forest group; and third, the community could purchase the land through multiple donations. These and other concepts will be discussed at an all-day forest workshop to be held by the Salt Spring Conservancy on Saturday April 8.

Direct Action

Terry Bieman gave the Town Hall a briefing on recent civil disobedience and an update on events at the Musgrave Road camp. Making reference to the report by Atkins, he said while there is no legal recourse, there can be illegal action. He thanked the community for its support, and apologized for any inconvenience to neighbours of the Hamilton Horn area. He explained, "We are doing peaceful civil disobedience. We are being there, bearing witness. We remain accountable to our actions."

Canadian money: strictly for the birds



Wit & Whimsy ... with Arthur Black

A reporter once asked the then-Premier of Ontario, William Davis, how come he was so successful given that he was so, well, boring.

Davis smiled his trademark Cheshire cat smile and murmured "Bland works."

It sure does—in Canada anyway. How else to explain charisma kings like Preston Manning and Joe Clark? Our reverence for curling? The fact that a TV program as sopophoric as Front Page Challenge stayed on the air longer than the Ming Dynasty? We Canucks seem to

work at bland-but every once in a while somebody throws a change-up and we become (albeit briefly) downright fascinating.

It happened in 1986 when, out of the blue, the Bank of Canada inexplicably issued a whole new series of bank notes. Gone were the fussy, dowdy old ones, fives, tens and twenties. The new bills were technicoloured works of art. A gorgeous kingfisher perched on the back of our five-spot. The ten dollar bill featured an osprey, wings spread, clutching a fish dinner in its talons. The twenty had a loon on it; the fifty showed a magnificent snowy owl against a sunset-pink Barren Lands background. The century note sports (so I'm told) a gorgeous Canada Goose.

In short, suddenly we Canadians were getting a kaleidoscopic pleasure jolt every time we opened our wallets or purses. Our currency was spectacular. It made U.S. paper money look like Eleanor Rigby on a bad hair day. Canada had the most beautiful folding money on the planet.

So naturally, the geniuses in Ottawa have decided to scrap it.

That's right—the birds have been shot down. They are to be replaced by—are you ready for this?—portraits of famous Canadians.

How famous? Not very. Okay, Nellie McClung may be a household name, but have you ever heard of Emily Murphy? Louise

McKinney? Irene Parlby? Henriette Muir Edwards?

Well, you'll be carrying them around in your pocket before long.

No knock on the ladies-they did a lot to convince Canada's antediluvian Supreme Court that women were in fact actual human beings. (Honest to God, our Supreme Court ruled to the contrary in 1928). The ladies changed that and deserve recognition.

Fine. Putting them on a plaque would be okay by me. Erect statues of them in a park if you want—but why wreck our perfectly good-looking money to feature postage-stamp portraits of five-admittedly worthy-Canadians?

Actually, let's trim that back to four worthy Canadians. I'm going to have a tough time warming to the monetary deification of Emily Murphy. Ms. Murphy was a police magistrate in Alberta and president of the Canadian Women's Press Club, but she probably would have been more comfortable as recording secretary for the Ku Klux Klan.

The woman could easily have broken bread with Joseph Goebbels.

Ms. Murphy was viciously and publicly anti-Semitic. She blanket-branded all Chinese Canadians "traitors." She wrote under the cloyingly arch pseudonym of Janey Canuck and filled a lot of newsprint hectoring her fellow Lily-Whites about the dire and evil threat of "the black and yellow races."

Quite a role model for Canadian kids, alright.

Nobody asked me, but I can think of a way we could both recognize Ms. Murphy and cling to our monetary avian motif. All we need to do is pick a bird substitute for the lady and put it on the back of, say, the \$1,000 bill, so that not too many Canadians would have to look at see her anyway.

The feathered substitute? A natural.

The turkey vulture, of

Free for the taking on Salt Spring



Many cities and towns put aside one day (or even a whole week) each year gather when people together things they'd like to get rid of and stack them out by the roadside. Anyone else can come along and pick out what they want. It's a great example of recycling at the local level.

In Japan, where this tradition has existed for generations, they call them "Gomi" piles, and in some areas they're an important social event. The Japanese even have certain rules of etiquette associated with Gomi piles. For instance, if an electrical appliance doesn't work, the person who placed it out on the pile cuts the plug off the end of the cord. If the plug item works.

We have the same type of tradition here on Salt Spring, though it's a little more laid back. There are no set days and fewer rules. You just drive around the back roads until you see a sign that says "Free Seeds" or "Free Kittens" and then take as many as you'd like. Sometimes you'll run across a sign that simply says "Free" perched on a washing machine, a bicycle, or even a teenager.

I was like a kid in Harlan's the first few weeks I lived here. How could I turn something down if it was free? Whatever it was, it might come in handy one day. You never know when you're going to need a couple of rusty wheels from an old Chevy. Or a green toilet. (Before you pick it up, make sure that's the actual is still there, you know the colour of the paint. I

Isle Say! ... with John Pottinger

learned the hard way.) Remember though, if you want a part for your lawn mower, the rules dictate you must take the whole lawn mower if it has a "free" sign hanging on it. Which is why I have a yard full of assorted articles that-to the untrained eye—appear to be useless hunks of junk.

Since moving to the Island, I've only had one little spot of trouble with this idea of free stuff. I had just loaded a few hundred shovels full of "free manure" into the back of my truck when I saw a sign that said "Free Range Chickens." Knowing that people give away their kittens and their puppies, I realised that farmers must sometimes end up with too many chickens. I picked out a couple of healthy looking specimens and was just putting them in my truck when some guy came running over and all hell broke loose. I guess he had changed his mind, but he didn't have to be so darned rude.

There are still a couple of other Island signs that I haven't figured out yet. Like "Free Tibet." What the heck is that? "Free China" would make sense, but I don't need any. And there's a big old bus parked at the south end that has a sticker in the window that says "Free Love." I'm not gonna go knock-knockknocking on that door.

With all this trouble and confusion, I finally realize that "less is more" so I'm downsizing. I have way too much stuff, so it's time to give some of it awayshare with other Islanders who might be able to use something that I don't need. So watch for the new sign at the end of my driveway. It's the one that says "Free Broom."

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Popular principal steps down

by Amei Parkes

Treat others the way you wish to be treated. This creed has seen Barb Aust through her administrating, teaching and personal life. No doubt, it was also influential in getting her nominated as a community leader on the last International Women's Day, where she stood in the company of many including Maggie Schubart, Judith Boel and the late Mary Williamson. Now, Aust is taking a step back from public life and has announced plans to step down from her tenure as principal at Fulford Elementary to pursue other interests.

"I want to spend every second that I have left on this earth, doing things that make my heart sing," said Aust in an interview.

But a person who has been as active and influential in the community as Aust is not going to make a rash departure for her studio in the woods. Instead, she is taking a leave from the demanding life of a principal, while focusing on her love of teaching and outside hobbies. Starting in September she plans to hold down two part-time jobs in education, find a publisher for her teaching manuscript and collection of poems, pursue her interests in writing and painting and continue her volunteer efforts. She will also continue to invest heavily in family life, and would like to do some traveling in the future.

This is a hefty schedule for someone who claims she is slowing down to "smell the roses." But, early in her teaching career, she established her trademark quiet, never-quit attitude. The native Victorian said she got her first job on Salt Spring Island through sheer persistence. After being told the positions were all filled, she volunteered for six months, impressing the principal with her abilities. She landed her first job at Salt Spring Elementary (SSE) in 1978, and has never looked back.

The following year became administrative assistant at SSE, followed by work at Fulford upon its inception in 1984. She later became principal at Fulford in 1987. In 1991, she did a fouryear stint at Phoenix School, before returning to Fulford again as principal in 1994. All in all, she has been an adminis-

trator on Salt Spring for 15 years.

So after all these years, why take a step down, a step back? The decision to leave the principalship did not come fast, nor easily.

"It's a bittersweet leaving, because I've loved what I've done. But I know it's time to leave, and I know I have other things I'm going to be doing. I feel like I have to create a space for them to come in," said Aust.

At times, being principal has been an exhausting labour of love, which has sometimes put her in the uncomfortable position of "toeing the party line." "It takes me out of what I love to do the best—working with people," said Aust.

She said she has tried hard not to concentrate on the negative over the years, and has learned the great balancing act of diplomacy when things get rocky.

The decision to go was more a personal choice, cemented when she vis-



Barb Aust says goodbye to Fulford Elementary

ited Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park in Alberta last summer. The desert-like expanse is covered with hoodoos (cylindrical rock formations) and is home to significant petroglyphs and archaeological sites. She likens the place to a spiritual retreat, as the intensity of the place compelled her to make life-altering decisions.

"I had to hear the thunder of silence, and when I'm too busy, I don't hear it," she said.

After some quiet reflection, she told her husband, Strick, she would be not be principal anymore.

The job has also been loaded with joy and humor.

She learned early on, for example, that being "real" and having a sense of humor are tantamount to success, if not survival.

"One day, when the fire bell rang, it was pouring with rain—and we all had to go outside, and the kids were in their socks, in the mud," she

recalls. "I started to run (because I hadn't set the alarm) and landed on my behind. A group of grade seven boys were trying very hard not to laugh. Then I picked myself up and tried to walk quickly again and slid again."

It is this kind of smiling, warm determination that marks her leadership and gained her public recognition last March. Humility, dedica-tion, humor and acceptance were surely words to describe Aust by the community who nominated her. Of the distinction, she said:"When I got the phone call, I cried. I was stunned silent. I was really surprised. I felt a little bit embarrassed, especially on the stage. The best part was that the things that people noticed were the principles that I believed in. My goals were recognized. I was very honoured. I thought, 'when I grow up, I want to be like Maggie Schubart.' And there I was."

The stunning quiet

Etches this place In my mind. Silence Thunders in my eardrums. Soft whoosh of the grasses The only sound. Mystical and humbling, Echoes of ancient spirits. A place of retreat, Gathering spirit power, strength, Protection and sustenance Embodied in this land.

-Written by Barb Aust at Writing-on-Stone Provinical Park, Alberta (Summer, 1999)





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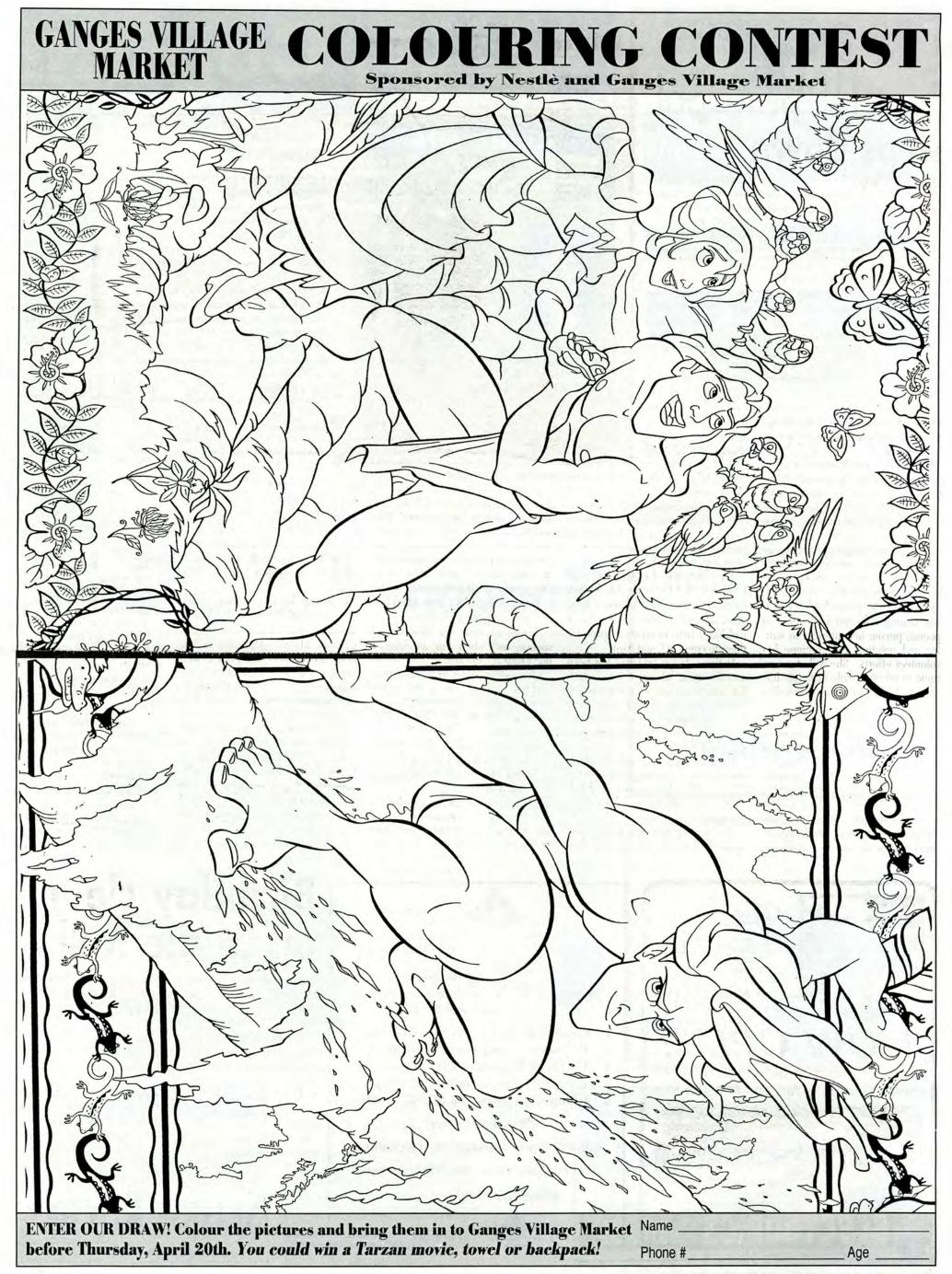
The party will start at 2 p.m. and everyone interested in fibre, knitting, spinning, machinery or just getting involved in a work-bee is invited to meet at the Mill on the grounds of the Farmers' Institute.

The agenda includes cleaning floors, shelves and storage bins, oiling gears and shafts of the carder, picker, drafter, felter and spinning frame. People who'd like to help clean up and landscape the grounds in front of the Mill are also invited to join in.

The Mill will provide food for the potluck and a door prize to make spinners or knitters smile.

And those who can't make it April 14 can participate later since the Mill will do it all over again every couple of months.

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Desert Island Choices

Reading, music and a visitor—what would you pick if you were stranded on a desert island?



This week's castaway is Diana Dean. One of Saltspring's best known artists, Diana has lived here for seventeen years (entering her third octave, she says.) She has painted since she was fourteen, and now that her four sons have left home, devotes herself to her garden and her cello when she is not working towards exhibitions

of her work in England, Canada or the US. Occasionally she gets to reconnect with a wilder kind of nature than her garden on some of the island's hiking trails.

The Book: "The Heart Treasure of the Enlightened Ones., by Dilgo Khyentse since I would have so much time to consider the mysteries of life. And if I could squeeze in one more it would be Growing Vegetables—the Big Yield, Small Space Way, just to make sure I stayed grounded and healthy!"

The Disc: "Beethoven's Missa Solemnis., as this has been my call to work (one of a few of them), keeping me inspired with the highest possibilities of being human."

Fellow castaway: "If resurrection is possible I'd like it to be Rembrandt-so that I could have an intimate knowledge of the man and his art."

Kindergym Parc Portable. 9-10:30am Toy Library Beaver Point Hall. 9-10am

Storytime with Jean Voaden Library. 10am Deon Venter Vortex Gallery.

Adrien Town Paintings. Roasting Company to May 19

Dana Pennington Photography. Sweet Arts

Denys James Bristol Hair Cutters to Apr. 24

Margie Korrison Paintings. Luigi's to April 15 Rachel Vadenboncoeur & Osmond Phillips Photography. Moby's to April 30

Eros 2000 ArtSpring to Apr 15 Soup's On Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm

Love is Heaven/Love is Hell S. Bronstein and A. Caplan relationship workshops. 7-9pm. Info: 537-9114

Herbal Health for Elders Community Wellness Programmes. SS Seniors'

Building. 1:30-3:30pm. Registration 537-1256 7 Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am

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Bicentennial Man 6:45pm The Insider 9:15pm

Music & Munch Betty Rothwell, Soprano Bunyan, Piano. All Saints'. Wednesday Night Live

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Mental Illness Education. Saints'. 7-9:30pm

Movement & Writing Ahava Shira. Core Inn. 7:30

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Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9-10am Step into Shape

All Saints. 9-10am Yoga Salt Spring Centre. 9-

10:30am Circuit Challenge Fulford Gym. 6:30-7:30pm

Hanging Up 7:30pm

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Mental Illness Education. Saints'. 7-9:30pm

Movement & Writing Ahava Shira. Core Inn. 7:3

Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9-10am

Step into Shape All Saints. 9-10am

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Portlock. 2pm Circuit Challenge Fulford Gym. 6:30-7:30pi





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COSMIC HATCHERY—Explaining his view of reality ("We all have our own"), south ender John Moysey discusses language, spirituality and ancient wisdom in a presentation at Fulford Hall last Saturday. Moysey addressed such contemporary topics as how to break an addiction, the differences between men and women, and the evils of credit ("the devil's figuring"). He also coined a great new word—"ignorrupting"—when you interrupt someone because you're sure you already know what he or she is going to say.

April 12

Imaginary Indian: author and historian to discuss ideas

Images of the Indianfrom nineteenth century paintings and the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show to the performances of Pauline Johnson, Grey Owl and others, and the media images of Oka and Elijah Harper—are fundamental to Canadian culture. All the images, however-noble savage, bloodthirsty warrior, debased alcoholic, wise elder, or protector of the environment—are, according to historian and author Daniel Francis, creations of our own main-

stream culture imposed on Aboriginal people.

In his book Imaginary Indian, Francis thoroughly explores the images of Aboriginal people that Canadian culture has reflected at different periods. On Tuesday, April 12 (2 p.m. at Mahon Hall), Francis will discuss his ideas and his book with the Salt Spring Island Historical Society.

As Randy Fred, a member of the Alberni Native Band, says in the foreword to The Imaginary Indian, "Native people live within a world of imagery that isn't their own. In this book Dan Francis shows us where that world of imagery comes from, and how necessary it is that we struggle to sweep it away."

Daniel Francis-a freelance historian, writer, and editor with 10 trade books on Canadian history and six social studies textbooks to his credit—is currently editing the Encyclopedia of B.C., to be published by Harbour Publishing this fall. In addition to The Imaginary Indian, Francis's National Dreams: Myth, Memory and the Canadian Imagination and Copying People: Photographing B.C. First Nations, were exceptionally well received. Francis has received awards and grants from both the Canada Council and the B.C. Ministry of Culture and has held executive positions in both the Federation of B.C. writers and the Writers' Union of Canada.

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Poetry and music make the world go round

All across Canada on April 8, poets will be reading their work in public places in celebration of World Poetry Day. True to form, Salt Spring will be a little out of step, not meeting at 3 p.m. like the rest of the world, but saving ourselves for the evening when we can make a night of it. Eight poets will strut their stuff at the Lion's Hall April 8 at 7:30 p.m. To keep things hopping, Henry Baade's newest band,

This Side Up, will debut, adding a musical dimension to the affair—guitar, bass, fiddle and mandolin from Henry, Jane Phillips, Jane Squier and Bruce Pearson respectively.

Three of the entertainers, Chris Smart, Karen Shklanka and Jane Squier will be remembered for their performance poetry at the Erotic Festival as the Mansell Sisters. Smart, mother of one teenage daughter, poet and local community health nurse, recently exploring the world of general contracting, is ready to publish a chapbook and has a book of poems on the way. Shklanka is a local poet and family physician who has been published in three chapbooks edited by Patrick Lane, as well as in Prism, a literary journal. She won a position in the B.C. Festival of the Arts poetry competition in 1997. Alison Vida gardens in Victoria while her heart lies fallow on Salt Spring.

Of Tanya Kern (another Victoria poet) Patrick Lane said, "She is a voice at the end of the century." Kern says, "But really it was a voice at the end of its rope! I haven't changed at all since I got famous on TV. I am now working on a series of hillbilly trash poems which I started when I went delusional and saw Charles Bukowski as God."

When Peggy Frank faces great emotional or spiritual challenges, poems help her to clarify issues and to connect with her inner self-which appears to be only human, after all. She's from New Brunswick where she studied marine biology and resource management. Poetry and art have been chosen forms of self expression since she was very young. She was 10 years old when her first poem was published. Sandi Johnson has published The Comfort of Angels.

Murray Reiss is active in the

League of Canadian Poets and has had work published by them. Ron Hawkins organised the recent poetry workshop that brought Canadian poet Don McKay to Salt Spring. And Elizabeth Courtney, whose heart is at the Sufi/haiku end of the poetry spectrum, will be taking a break from prose.

Candles, tablecloths, goodies supplied by Planned Parenthood. It should be a

fun evening.



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Aurora, April 15 Poetry jam to launch youth magazine

by Rob McMahon

Candles. Coffee. Drums. These three elements the essential ingredients of Beatnik style poetry jam sessions—will be present, along with a group of talented Island poets and the two young originators of Aurora magazine at the CORE Inn April 15, 8 p.m. (doors open at 7:30). Candace Buckler and Leah McColm, who have just released the first issue of Salt Spring's youth-based literary publication after months of planning, marketing, and stapling, envision a coffeehouse jam that features "music, prose, poetry...anything argeting and interesting that you can do on thing creative and interesting that you can do on stage." Though Aurora is mainly an outlet for youthful creativity, the coffeehouse is open to all ages, and will feature a lineup of performers as well as an open mike.

The idea to create Aurora came about during a lunch McColm and Buckler shared with renowned children's authors Kit Pearson and Sarah Ellis, who asked if there was a forum for youth writing on Salt Spring. Startled, McColm replied that she didn't know if one existed. Soon after the meeting she and Buckler decided to create one themselves. Powered with a keen interest in literature and publishing, and aided by the Island youth arts organization TSUNA-MI and Adrian DuPlessis, the young women began gathering quotes and content for the new magazine. Named Aurora after the Roman goddess of dawn, and symbolizing new beginnings, the magazine features a range of poetry and artwork from a group of writers diverse in style, theme, and geographical placement (some pieces are from as far away as Kamploops, BC). Each issue of the magazine will also feature a writing exercise, to encourage readers to access their own creativity. Buckler and McColm said they have had a tremendous amount of support from Island businesses (charging nothing or next to nothing for selling the magazine) and individuals, including Bill Underwood—their English teacher at Gulf Islands Secondary— who has offered his students credit for works submitted to the magazine.

McColm and Buckler have found Aurora to be an "all learning experience," figuring out all aspects of magazine creation, from design and promotion to creative production. The main goal of the magazine is to stimulate people to write; "share [their] work and be creative, don't judge [themselves]." They plan on releasing an issue quarterly, and may focus on themes in the months to come. The magazine currently costs \$2 an issue, and is available at Island Books Flus, et cetera, Volume 2, Stuff N' Nonsense, and Roasting Company in Fulford. Submissions, quotes, ideas, and feedback can be sent via email, snail mail, fax, or at drop boxes around Salt Spring; call Leah at 537-5793 or Candace at 537-2690.

Those interested in performing at the launch should register soon with Candace or Leah.



A Public Statement on Forestry from the Salt Spring Island Trustees

he logging of private land by Texada Land Corporation on Salt Spring Island has led to numerous questions about the ability of the Islands Trust to regulate forestry. This statement is being published by the Local Trust Committee to provide basic information to the community and to answer some of the most commonly asked questions.

OBJECT OF THE TRUST:

In 1974, the Province created the Islands Trust, based on the recommendations of an all-party committee of the legislature. The Province was responding to development pressure on the islands, growing recognition of their fragility, and, in part to international recognition of the special character of the region by the International Joint Commission of Canada and the United States.

The Islands Trust legislation contains a unique quality, usually referred to as the mandate. It reads:

"The object of the Trust is to preserve and protect the Trust Area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of the residents of the Trust Area and of British Columbia generally, in cooperation with municipalities, regional districts, improvement districts, other persons and organizations and the government of British Columbia.'

TRUST POLICY STATEMENT:

The Trust is required by its legislation to adopt a policy statement, which is an expression of the goals and aspirations of the communities of the Trust in advancing the object of the Trust.

Among several policies on forestry are the following:

Trust Council recognizes that sustainable forestry is a traditional and valuable land use in the Trust Area.

It is the position of Trust Council that:

- on each island in the Trust area, the rate of forest harvesting should not exceed the rate of re-growth, and
- clearcutting as a forestry practice, should not occur except when under approved woodlot management plans or for the purpose of agriculture with the Agricultural Land Reserve.

FOREST LAND RESERVE ACT:

In 1994, the B.C. Government passed the Forest Land Act to "preserve B.C.'s forest land base for a wide range of forest values and to minimize urban and rural settlement impacts on the working forest." At that time all lands that were the "Managed Forest" tax class according to the B.C. Assessment Authority, were placed in the Forest Land Reserve (FLR). Almost all land owned by the Texada Land Corporation is within the FLR. While the FLR Act restricts the ability of landowners to develop their land for residential purposes, it ensures the land owner of the right to practice forestry on lands set aside for that purpose.

Further, the Act specifically states that "a local government must not adopt a bylaw under any enactment or issue a permit ... that would have the effect of restricting, directly or indirectly, a forest management activity relating to timber production or harvesting."

TEXADA LAND CORPORATION:

As a private landowner in the Forest Land Reserve, Texada Land Corporation is within its rights to log its property, practically without restriction. Indeed, some of Texada's stated principles, such as protection for streams, go beyond any requirement placed on private landowners. The industrial scale of Texada's logging, nonetheless remains outside the written policies of the Islands Trust, and incompatible with the environment and the community of Salt Spring Island.

in the Islands?

The Trust has been trying for years to achieve sustainable forestry practices suitable to the Gulf Islands. Here is the most recent statement of our position, contained in a letter in which Trust Chair David Essig requests a meeting with the Hon. Jim Doyle, Minister of Forests:

"The Islands Trust supports small scale sustainable forestry that respects ecological integrity, watershed protection and scenic values. Industrial logging is not appropriate on an island because of its overwhelming negative impact on sensitive environmental and social conditions that makes it impossible to support the object of the Islands Trust. We need some way to ensure appropriate forestry practices in the Trust Area to achieve all Provincially defined objectives."

Here on Salt Spring, islanders placed a Development Permit Area around Maxwell Lake, through the Official Community Plan, adopted in 1998. Much of this land is not in the FLR, so these local rules apply. Activities within 300 meters of the lake that are likely to affect water quality can take place only under permit from the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee. All landowners within the Development Permit Area and outside the FLR, including Texada Land Corporation, must comply with the DPA, including for forestry use. (Development Permit Areas, or DPAs, are explained below).

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee is also proposing to amend the OCP to add a new Development Permit Area 7 for the purpose of protecting Garry Oak plant communities. Some of the affected areas lie on Texada property, including the largest Garry Oak community remaining in Canada. Because of the Forest Land Reserve Act, however, the DPA could not be used to regulate logging, road building for logging purposes, or cutting of merchantable timber in or near Garry Oak habitat. Adoption of the new Development Permit Area will be preceded by public hearings and meetings to receive community input.

About Forestry on Salt Spring?

Q. The legislated Object of the Islands Trust is to Preserve and Protect. Trust policy opposes unsustainable forestry. Why doesn't the Trust legislate an end to clearcutting?

A. Local governments, such as a Local Trust Committee, have only those powers which the Province specifically gives them. While the province has charged Local Trust Committees with a Preserve and Protect mandate, it has never given them authority over forestry which occurs in the Forest Land Reserve (FLR). As noted above, the FLR legislation specifically prevents local governments, such as a Local Trust Committee, from regulating forestry practices on FLR land.

Q. What are Development Permit Areas?

A. The B.C. Municipal Act allows local communities to set up Development Permit Areas (DPA) to control certain kinds of development for specific purposes, including environmental protection. On Salt Spring Island for example, Development Permit Areas have been established to guide the form and character of island villages; to protect shoreline areas, and to protect development from natural hazards such as unstable soils and dangerous slopes. Maxwell Lake lies in a DPA, for the purpose of protecting fishbearing streams and potable water bodies.

DPAs do not have any effect on Crown Lands or on logging activities on private land in the FLR. They are

applicable in the ALR (Agricultural Land Reserve), but cannot restrict clearing for farm purposes, which must be allowed as specified by the Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act.

Q. Denman Island regulates forestry, why not Salt Spring?

A. Denman Island is in exactly the same position as Salt Spring. The Denman Island Local Trust Committee has created several new DPAs, including one which regulates the amount of forest cover that must be retained.

Extensive logging has been taking place on Denman, on lands in both the FLR and ALR. Logging on ALR land violated the Steep Slope DPA, but the company stopped cutting in that parcel after the Local Trust Committee initiated legal proceedings. The Denman OCP has now been challenged in court by this company, which believes that the new DP areas exceed the authority granted in the Municipal Act. The judge is expected to render a decision in April.

Q. What is Texada's Development potential?

A. The exact numbers have not been worked out, but there are some useful benchmarks. Texada has 57 titles, and therefore a base potential for 57 single family dwellings, one on each property. Texada also has some subdivision potential on the south shore of Burgoyne Bay, at the top of Lee Hill and on one quarter section in the Mt. Tuam area. They could achieve approximately 55 additional lots without the requirement for further public process, for a total development potential of about 112 dwellings. The Provincial Subdivision Approving Officer and local subdivision bylaws require new lots to have frontage on either a public road or (in the case of a strata-title subdivision) a private subdivision road.

If Texada could remove land from the ALR and FLR, local subdivision regulations would apply, and the development potential would rise to something over 300 dwellings. Removal of land from the ALR and FLR is, however, very rare, and there is no reason to believe that Texada property would qualify for removal.

Q. Shouldn't the Trust offer Texada increased development in return for preserving forest? What about density transfer and amenity zoning?

A. We have made Texada aware of OCP provisions which allow density transfer and amenity zoning. It is also aware that communities sometimes amend their bylaws to allow development which also meets community aims.

However, the Local Trust Committee should not be an advocate for development and a regulatory body at the same time. If proposals for development are made, they should come from Texada Corporation, or a third party. The role of the Trust would be in two stages: 1) determine if the proposal could be considered under current bylaws of the island, and the Islands Trust Policy statement, or were of sufficient merit to consider amending the bylaws or the OCP; 2) ensure due public process to determine the wishes of islanders.

O. Why does the OCP allow for a village on Burgoyne Bay?

A. The reference to a village on page 34 of the OCP is in italics, which means that it is an information note. It is not a community objective or policy. It merely clarifies the public process that would be followed if the community wished to consider the development of a village on Burgoyne Bay.

Bev Byron David Borrowman David Essig Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee

Cats of the Week



I'm Zorro and I'm big, black and utterly adorable. I love to cuddle and be brushed and I walk quite nicely when wearing a blue halter and leash. Of course, I have been neutered.



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Soprano serenades at Music and Munch

Soprano Betty Rothwell will be entertaining at Music and Munch on Wednesday April 5. Betty is well known to Salt Spring audiences and has been a regular at the series since its inception. Her numerous performances with ensembles large and small have given great pleasure to audiences everywhere. Her programme on April 5 will feature well-loved songs from operettas and musicals past and present.

Shirley Bunyan, accomplished choir director, organist and music teacher will be accompanying Betty. Her organizational abilities were very much in evidence at ArtSpring for the hugely successful Christmas Sing-A-Long, and she and Betty look forward to sharing this Music and Munch programme.

For those unfamiliar with the routine, the free recital begins at 12:10 p.m. at All Saints' and is followed by a delicious lunch for \$4.75.

April 21 and 22 Tango master returns

Gulf Islands Tango Dos Mil presents Senor Miguel Angel Pla of the National Academy of Tango in Buenos Aires. Senor Pla returns for a second visit to Salt Spring April 21 and 22. A spring workshop is being offered to beginners and dancers familiar with tango, Friday evening, April 21, 7 to 9 p.m. Beginners. A dance (milonga) follows from 9 to midnight. Saturday, April 22 three sessions are offered: 11:30 to 1 p.m.; 1:30 to 3 p.m. and 3:30 to 5 p.m. Each session is \$20 or three sessions for \$55. Admission to Friday's milonga (dance) is \$5. No partner is required. Beginners do not need previous dance experience. All events take place at the Lion's Hall in Ganges.

Miguel Angel Pla is a Master of Argentina's true salon style tango. Well respected among "Milongueros" (Tango Veterans) of Buenos Aires, he is dedicated to maintaining the clean lines and impeccable posture of traditional salon tango. Few tango teachers can offer such a pure approach to this dance yet his repertoire and vocabulary is vast. His musicality is present in every demonstration of every step. It has inspired a genuine love in his students of music from all of tango's eras.

Miguel Angel Pla performed with the Orquestra del Tango de Buenos Aires from 1994 to 1996. He has won several notable awards throughout the years and danced in Alan Parker's movie, Evita. Currently he teaches at the National academy of Tango in Buenos Aires. Tango is the ultimate communication between two people. It begins with an embrace, an initial sharing of affection, yet stresses individual balance.

"The mastering of one's individual balance is what allows two bodies to dance as one, along with a technique that is clean and uncluttered, the resulting elegance is sublime," said Miguel Angel Pla.

To assure a space, please pre-register with Margie Korrison at 537-2707.

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Andrea Bartle Local teenager qualifies for provincial

competition

by Peggy Abrahams

Salt Spring high school student Andrea Bartle recently qualified as one of the youngest competitors to dance in the senior division of the B.C. Festival of the Arts in Nelson, coming up in May. Bartle, 15, will compete in the 15 to 20 year-old category for jazz, tap and musical theatre, after placing first in these categories at the Cowichan Music Festival in March.

Placing first is not enough to guarantee qualification, according to her mother, Jill Bartle. "Even with a first place, you have to go to a master class with an adjudicator as well. They teach you a dance right there in the class and you have to perform it. You also need a high enough mark to qualify for the provincials," she said.

In addition to qualifying for the provincials, Bartle

won a bursary for senior stage at the Cowichan festival, as well as a scholarship to apply towards the dance training of her choice.

Bartle, who takes four dance lessons a week, began studying ballet locally with Sue Newman as a little girl. She now takes ballet on the Island with Jill Smith, and travels to Vancouver Island for other specialized dance instruction. Bartle's mother "Sue (Newman) said, encouraged her to go further afield.'

How does she balance her grade 10 school work with this busy dance schedule? 'She's a really good student. She does homework on the ferry a lot," said her mother.

Next on Bartle's busy schedule are two regional festivals, Victoria Dance Works and the Greater Victoria Music Festival, both this month.







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Men's Breakfast United Church. 8-10am Music & Meditation

Pamela Holm. United Church. 11:30am-12:30pm

Jesus' Death. Atonement or What? Rev. Dr. Paul Newman. United Church. 6:30-8:30pm

Spinners and Weavers Guild room. ArtSpring. 10:30am-12noon

Meaden Hall. 7pm. Early Bird 6:30pm. Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am Yoga Salt Spring Centre. 4-5:30pm Volleyball Fulford Gym. 7-9pm Badminton Club GISS gym. 8-10pm

FRIDAY APRIL 7

Open Stage Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm

Wisdom Circle Sharing Ideas & Concerns. United Church. 7:30-9:30pm

A Ease into **Fitness** Mahon Hall. 9-10am Step into Shape All Saints. 9-10am

Boot Camp All Saints. 5-6pm Rollerblading to Music Fulford Hall. 7:30-10pm

The Beach 6:45pm Hanging Up

9:00pm

SATURDAY APRIL 8

Library Book Sale Library. 10am-1pm **Bob Simons Memorial**

> **Bike Ride** Central Hall. 12 noon

Poetry Makes The World Go Round 8 Poets & Live Music. Lions' Hall. 7:30pm

Brent Streeper Harbour House Lounge. 8pm SS Music Guild

Presents: Don Fisher, Jean Knight & Chris Kodaly. ArtSpring 8pm Forestry on Salt Spring

SSI Conservancy Forum. Lions' Hall. 9:30 am -4pm. Flexible Strength

All Saints'. 8:30-9:30am

Yoga Salt Spring Centre. 9:30-11am

The Beach 6:45pm

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SUNDAY APRIL 9

Waldorf Open House 2732 Southey Pt. 1-2:30pm

Diana Dean Studio Show & Sale. 135 Northview. 10am-5pm to April 24 SS Music Guild

Presents: Don Fisher, Jean Knight & Chris Kodaly. ArtSpring 2pm

Brian (Buck) McDonald & **Dave Roland** Fulford Inn.4pm

Larry Miller Trio Dinner Jazz. Moby's Pub. 8pm

Choral Evensong All Saints'. 4pm

Badminton Club GISS gym. 8-10pm

The Beach 7:30pm

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THURSDAY APRIL 13

Mom & Me Music Tots 1-3yrs. Parc Portable. 9:30-

Sing Along Group Seniors' Bldg. 2pm

Salty Wheels Square Dancing Central Hall. 7-9pm

Journey of the Soul Meditation with Usha Haywood. United Church. 11:30-12:30pm Love, the Practical Path of Jesus Dr. Ralph Miller. United Church.

6:30-8:30pm Spinners and Weavers Guild room. ArtSpring. 10:30am-

Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9-10am

Yoga Salt Spring Centre. 4-5:30pm Volleyball Fulford Gym. 7-9pm Badminton Club GISS gym. 8-

FRIDAY APRIL 14

Guatemala, A **Beauty that Hurts** Slide Show. United Church. 7pm

Alice in Wonderland Stagecoach Theatre.

ArtSpring. 7:30pm Open Stage Rose's Cafe. 7pm

Spinning Mill Work-Bee Potluck and door prize. GI Spinning Mill

@ Farmers Inst. 2pm Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9-10am Step into Shape All Saints. 9-10am **Boot Camp**

All Saints. 5-6pm Rollerblading to Music Fulford Hall.

SATURDAY APRIL 15

Library Book Sale Library. 10am-1pm Spring Plant Sale SSI Garden Club.

Farmers' Inst. Ipm Wines of the Loire Valley - wine tasting Thunderbird Gallery, 7:30pm. Res. 537-1144

Alice in Wonderland Stagecoach Theatre. ArtSpring. 7:30pm

Aurora Launch Party Poetry, music & fun. Core Inn. 7:30pm

Brent Streeper Harbour House Lounge.

Night of the Writer's Union of Canada Vortex Gallery. 8 pm. Flexible Strength

SUNDAY APRIL 16

Alice in Wonderland Stagecoach Theatre. ArtSpring. 7:30pm

Diana Dean Studio Show & Sale. 135 Northview, 10am-5pm to April 24 Brian (Buck)

McDonald & **Dave Roland** Fulford Inn.4pm

Marc Atkinson Trio Dinner Jazz Moby's Pub. 8pm

Central Community Hall AGM Central. 2pm **GLOSSI**

Monthly meeting. SS Seniors' Centre. 2pm

Badminton Club GISS gym. 8-10pm

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Ready for Easter—Libby Hughes-Klokeid, owner of this two year old English Lop (one of the oldest and largest lop breeds) named "Ambrose", demonstrates his huge ear span for children gathered at the SPCA 's "Rabbit Sunday".

Saving our heritage



Once in a while I have to ruffle some feathers. This is one of those times. St. Mark's church, the little church that sits on the hill above Central, is closed indefinitely. Apparently, it needs a new foundation and other upgrades. Now here's the thing. Proposals are on the table to sell the property, salvage certain sacred pieces from the church, and rebuild elsewhere.

How can we allow a piece of our history to be destroyed like this? The pioneers of Salt Spring built that church nearly a hundred years ago. My grandfather was one of those people and so was

Let's eat ... with Linda Koroscil

Samuel Beddis and I don't doubt for a second that they envisioned that generations to come would be enjoying the fruits of their toil.

This church should be declared a heritage site, it should be preserved, and the decisions on its fate should be the decisions of all Salt Spring Islanders, not just a select few.

Look to Europe. Does our heart stop when we walk in the Sistine Chapel or we see the birthplace of Christopher Columbus or the Basilica in Rome? I think so! Well, this is our little piece of history. Write letters, make phone calls, talk to your friends; let's do something about saving St. Mark's Church!

Prayers for the forest

Everyone is invited to participate in an evening of prayers and music to honour and celebrate our forests on Saturday, April 15 at the Salt Spring Centre.

"The intention of the event is to bring together people from all walks of life, ages and faiths to offer love and energy to our trees and wildlife," says one of the organizers, Lorraine Gane. "It is also our hope that in coming together as a circle, we can add a positive energy towards a peaceful resolution to the logging situation on this island."

The prayers can be spoken, silent, or written (a prayer box will be provided) or in the form of a poem, song, dance or instrumental music of up to five minutes in length. Pianist/composer Barry Livingston will play musical prayers to the earth, inviting participation from the audience.

While there is no admission to the evening, which starts at 7:30 p.m. and runs for about two hours, donations for the Texada land acquisition fund are welcome. For more information, call Lorraine Gane at 653-0066.

Hot Cross Buns

3 C. flour 1 pkg. yeast 1/4 C. warm water 1 C. milk, hot 1/2 C. sugar 3 tbsp. melted butter 1/2 tsp. salt

2 eggs, beaten separately cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg 1/2 C. currants 1/4 C. candied citron 1 C. icing, mixed with 2 tbsp. milk and 1 tsp.

Mix yeast with water. Combine milk, sugar, butter and salt. When cooled to tepid, add yeast. Add one egg and mix. Sift flour with spices, add currants and citron, then add the dry ingredients to the yeast mixture and mix. Cover and rise dough until doubled. Punch down, shape into buns and place in buttered pan. Rise again. Brush with remaining egg. Make a cross on each bun with sharp knife. Bake at 400° for 20 minutes. Remove and use a brush to make crosses with icing mixture.



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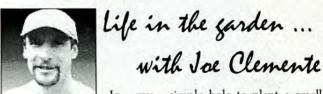
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own garden I use only organic fertilizers. I feel it's a lot better for the environment and, as they break down, these fertilizers also improve the soil. I've always had great success by just adding rotted compost and other organic manures to my existing native soil. But this is rather time consuming—it's probably a lot easier just to order a truckload of screened topsoil. You see, I've always been curious to see how lush I can get my garden in all this rocky soil. Well, after working all these organics into my rocky plot, I've managed to create a lush garden year-round. The plants I grow are about as green as you'll ever get them. One may think that I've added many yards of the best soil, but this is not the case.

On this Island, it is backbreaking work to just dig a simple hole to plant a small shrub. A pick, post hole shovel and wrecking bar are my tools of choice to penetrate through my rocky ground.

Once I do have a hole dug, I make sure to amend it with all the goodies it takes to grow my newly chosen specimen. Then as this plant starts to show signs of new growth I start in with my favorite types of fertilizers. They, of course, happen to be liquid fish and liquid seaweed. Both of these fertilizers should be mixed with water since they are highly concentrated. I go through a lot of this stuff in our growing season. I start in with it when spring rolls around and finish up about mid-August, just so the plants will slow down a bit before colder weather starts to set in.

Fish fertilizer is very popular with Island gardeners. I guess its only drawback is

the unpleasant odour. Some garden centres offer dry forms of fishmeal that can be spread around the base of a plant or worked into the soil. Fishmeal is a great soil amendment that contains many primary and secondary elements. Many organic growers consider fishmeal a great source of nitrogen.

Liquid seaweed is also a great organic fertilizer that can be diluted with water and poured around the root system. It can also be used as a foliage spray. Seaweed is a super source of natural major and minor nutrients and amino acids. Kelp meal is another great organic fertilizer that will enhance the germination of seeds, increase the uptake of nutrients by a plant, and help out with frost resistance in some species.

Alfalfa meals or pellets provide a plant with many growth-promoting nutrients such as certain enzymes and vitamins. Roses and many perennials seem to really benefit from it.

Blood meal is most often

used by local gardeners to prevent deer from eating their plants. Dusting blood meal on the foliage of your favorites should deter the four-legged critters.

Blood meal is a fast-acting fertilizer that promotes quick growth. Most gardeners work a bit of blood meal into the soil at planting time, because it is rich in amino acids, and abundant with chelated iron. It also has a fair bit of nitrogen in it to promote green leaf growth.

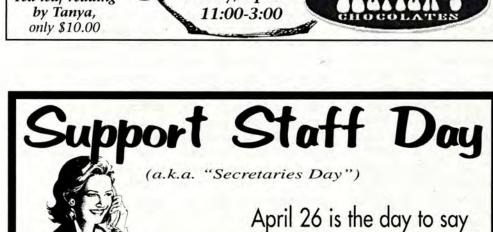
Canola meal is a great organic source of nitrogen, phosphorus and trace minerals. Canola meal breaks down quickly, and will supply your plants with many required nutrients throughout the growing season.

Rock phosphate will help your plants grow and mature faster. They will also develop stronger root systems, and resist diseases and drought better. These are just a small sample of some of the great organic fertilizers available to us hobby gardeners.



Garden music-Kayla Schmah entertained the crowd at Foxglove's 11th Annual Garden Show.





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Mayan children painting ravens at Pop Atziak, Guatemala.

April 14 talk

Guatemala calling

by Elizabeth Courtney

Guatemala: a country whose mountains, forests, lakes, climate and flowers make it one of the most gorgeous on the planet; a country which for 36 years suffered an all-out attempt to wipe out its indigenous population—at 70 per cent, the largest indigenous ratio in all the Americas-a country where the beauty and smiles of its children belie the poverty and harshness of their lives; a country where the vividness, complexity and mouth-watering joie de vivre of the woven textiles is in danger of being obliterated by cheap mass produced imports; a country which has drawn Salt Spring's Sheila Reid, year after year, to assist an evergrowing group of Mayan villagers to rebuild their shattered lives and take their place in a multi-cultural, multi-lingual global world without sacrificing the jewel of their own identity.

Rev. Rohana Laing has known Sheila since the 70s.

Because of her own deep interest in the struggles of Canadian indigenous peoples to heal their past, reclaim their broken heritage and take their place on both local, national and international stages (Chief Simon Baker, an internationally known elder has invited her to participate in many ceremonies and cultural events) she jumped at the chance to go to Guatemala and visit Sheila see her work. Rosemary Baxter, a long time supporter of the coffee growing collective, Ometepe, in Nicaragua, was also delighted at the invitation to see for herself. Her own great grandmother was a Ktunaxa (formerly Kutenai) Indian from south eastern B.C. and she still remembers with pleasure the mesmerizing sound of the old lady's voice chatting to her friends in the family kitchen when she was a little girl. Together with Rosemary's cousin, a nurse from Alberta, the three

women left for Guatemala with two suitcases of art supplies to see for themselves how the money that Sheila has been assiduously raising was being spent.

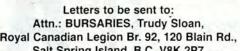
What they found was a country in which little has changed since the 1996 peace accords brought the violent genocidal civil war to an end. Guatemala's celebrated Nobel prizewinner, Rigoberta Mengchu, is currently trying to have the main perpetrator of the genocidal policies indicted and tried in Spain. But Rios Montt remains President of Congress and any progress on that front seems unlikely at present. In 1998, just two days after releasing a report revealing that 90 per cent of the massacres could be attributed to military policy, Bishop Juan Gerardi was murdered—the case remains unsolved in spite of international pressure. The first suspect to be incarcerated was, in fact, a dog!

The gap between the rich

and the poor in Guatemala is horrifying. Two per cent of the people own 80 per cent of the land and all that that implies. A man working all day, every day cannot feed his family on his own. He has to have the contribution not only of his wife but also of his children. Government schooling is provided up to grade six. Any schooling beyond that must be paid for and Mayan families will put themselves through unbelievable stress to try to keep their children in school longer but, without assistance, it is an impossible dream for most families. While there is a considerable amount of international money in Guatemala attempting to address the problem of providing education (70 per cent illiteracy), very little is available to provide the kind of bi-lingual, Mayancentred education that respects traditional strengths and values such as is being achieved in many

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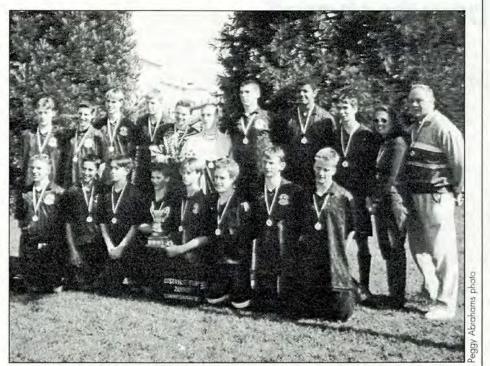


hand experience with sales and marketing augmented by years of business consulting for small companies will make him a valuable resource for Barnacle customers.

Greg's interests include golf and SCUBA but his current passion is target archery in which he actively competes internationally.

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Salt Spring's Under 17 gold level boys soccer team celebrates a first time win of the District Cup, after a dramatic 2 to 1 victory against Gorge F.C. at Victoria's Hampton Park Sunday afternoon. Lee Johnson was named MVP. Coach Malcolm Bond and team manager Mafalda Hoogerdyk stand on the right.

Bowling Banter ... with Ruth Hume

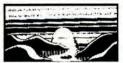
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McCreary Report Part II



It takes a village ...

Despite well publicised incidents of youth violence in recent months, there is no evidence that the lives of B.C. youth are becoming more violent, although in this writer's opinion, there is much work to do in this area as indicated by the following: Involvement in fights among male students remained stable since the 1992 survey at 42 per cent, among females declined slightly to 18 per cent. Nine per cent of students carried some kind of weapon to school in the month previous to the survey. Nearly four out of 10 boys and 25 per cent of girls were threatened with physical harm. Seventeen per cent of boys and six per cent of girls were physically assaulted. Of interest is that students who feel the most connected to school are much less likely to be involved in fights (14 per

Many adolescents experience harassment and discrimination. More than 46 per cent of students say they have experienced some kind of discrimination (age, gender, race/skin colour, sexual orientation, religion or physical appearance). Nearly two-thirds of female students and nearly half of male students say they were verbally harassed at school in the past year.

cent versus 53 per cent).

More teens have tried marijuana and other illegal

quent user). Similar trends have been reported in other parts of Canada. About six per cent of the students had tried harder drugscocaine, heroin, amphetamines and inhalants 10 or more times in their lifetime. Patterns of alcohol use have not changed much since 1992. (About 37 per cent say they have never had a drink). The percentage who have tried alcohol increases from 47 per cent for boys and 41 per cent for girls age 13, to 80 per cent for both males and females at age 17. Of those using alcohol, binge drinking has increased from 36 per cent in 1992 to 44 per cent currently. Drinking and driving remain high, although only 10 per cent of students who felt highly connected to school used drugs or alcohol before driving (versus 29 per cent).

Too many youth consider or attempt suicide. Four in 10 students consider or attempt suicide. Among Aboriginal students, almost 20 per cent considered suicide and 10 per cent have attempted it. However, only three per cent of students with high levels of family connectedness tried to commit suicide.

Also of concern is the fact that teen smoking has not declined. Experimentation with tobacco is common among teens, but daily use

to raise a child

drugs (one in 10 is a fre- is much less so. Twelve per cent of females and nine per cent of males surveyed were regular smokers. Seatbelt use has not yet reached acceptable levels. Adolescents are often unhappy with their weight. (More than half of all female students are trying to lose weight.) Adolescents who look older that their age may face greater health

A family's economic status very clearly has an impact on health. About one in five students live in lower income families (close to the percentage on the 1996 census). Of those students, only 27 per cent indicate that they are in good health, compared with 37 per cent of youth from higher income families. They are somewhat more inclined to consider or attempt suicide, and to have two or more health problems weekly.

Some good news: more youth are using bike helmets. Seven out of 10 students exercise three or more days a week. Eighty per cent of students were involved in some type of volunteer activity in the past year (87 per cent of females and 74 per cent of males). Forty-five per cent of male students and 35 per cent of female students were involved in extracurricular activities.







The Living Word

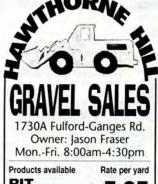
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For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever BELIEVES in him should not perish, but have ever-lasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

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communities. This is the focus of the work to which Sheila has attached herself.

In 1990, while working on a rural education project she met a Mayan elder, Agustin Morales, and was introduced to the work he was doing with a group of villagers determined to pool their efforts to improve their economic lot while preserving their culture. They have now created Pop Atziak, a cooperative which is both a language and culture centre as well as housing a weavers' training and marketing collective. Agustin is also coordinating a scholarship program to provide funds to get junior children out of the fields and supplement their elementary education, and supporting older children's attending high school in other communities. Some of these children are being trained in a special leadership programme designed to

of Canada's indigenous help them share their learning with their families and communities. Two years ago funds from Salt Spring and the Vancouver Quaker Meeting provided enough support to send nine children to school for a year (\$6,000). Last year, \$26,000 sent 67 children to schoolagain, much of the money coming from Pop Atziak's Salt Spring supporters.

The three visitors were invited to some of the children's homes. They were overwhelmed by the joy with which they were received. Dirt floors were swept clean and covered with fresh grass. The benches they sat on were also covered with new grass. A feast was laid on, and one by one the hosts, including the children, expressed how much it meant to them to receive this help. Rosemary was astonished to hear how familiar the K'iché lan-

guage sounded to her ears. Translating from K'iché into Spanish into English they heard what it meant for a family who had fallen behind in paying the interest on their daughter's education to have her back in school; how a young boy could speak proudly of being able to contribute to his people's future; how women were remembering the lost meaning of the symbols in their weaving.

On another occasion the visitors brought out the two suitcases of art supplies. Rohana told one of the Raven creation stories, handing out paints and brushes to people who had never seen, let alone handled such tools before. For an hour or more even the littlest children were utterly absorbed, covering an image of raven with stripes and dots and every imaginable colour. From the weavers poured patterned designs,

testament to the richness of their inner lives and the importance of nurturing it.

Ninety-five per cent of the funds raised here and in Vancouver go directly to Pop Atziak, contributing greatly to the sense of direct involvement by supporters up here. The smallest contribution can make a difference, while \$1000 will support a high school student for a whole year. Sheila Reid will be hosting a slide show at the United Church on Friday, April 14 and both Rohana and Rosemary will be on hand to share more stories of their time in Guatemala. Tax deductible donations can be made at any time through the United Church or Rosemary Baxter. The reward: ongoing news and an unparalleled opportunity to feel part of a vibrant people's journey to full participation in a world to which they have so much to offer.

April 7 to 11 Women's health: an Ayurvedic perspective

The Salt Spring Centre is honoured to have Dr. Sarita Shrestha present Women's Health from an Ayurvedic Perspective, April 7 to 11. This programme is a unique opportunity for participants to study with a renowned teacher and Ayurvedic specialist.

Dr. Shrestha is Nepal's first woman Ayurvedic MD, specializing in Ayurvedic obstetrics, gynecology and pediatrics. She is a government-appointed physician

at Naradevi Hospital in Kathmandu, and travels extensively throughout the Himalayan kingdom conducting health camps in rural villages. Dr. Shrestha has received national and international awards honouring her professional and volunteer work.

"The Centre tries very hard to offer, to the community near and far, programmes that help people discover ways to bring peace

into their daily lives," said Raye Naud, Programme Director. "We know that Dr. Shrestha's programme will be a perfect offering to help bring women closer and more in tune with the cycles and rhythms of their bodies and lead them into a balanced state of health. And most importantly, it will show them how they can take their health into their own hands.'

The focus of the pro-

gramme is women's health and is divided into two-day segments. Participants can choose to attend one or both of the segments. The first segment, April 7 to 9, will cover The Key to Women's Health: Vital Energy and Inner Fire from puberty to post-menopause and Rejuvenative Herbs for Women. The second segment, April 9 to 11, will cover Female Imbalances see Ayurvedic p27



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ARGENTINEAN TANGO quest teacher Miguel Pla returns to S.S. Friday April 21, Beg 7 - 9; Dance & Demo 9 -12. Saturday, April 22 - 3 sessions 11:30 - 1; 1:30 - 3; 3:30 - 5:00 pm. Sessions \$20 each. 3 for \$55. Dance \$5. Lions Hall. Preregister with Margie Korrison at 537-2707. 1300

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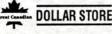
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230 • TRAVEL



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GARAGE/ESTATE sale. 311 Don Ore Rd. Saturday April 8,

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345 • FURNITURE

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GARAGE SALE DIRECTORY FOR THIS WEEK!

385 • WANTED

need of a set of lower kitchen cabinets. Linda 537-0777,1400

390 • MISCELLANEOUS

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PROFESSIONAL, ASSERTIVE individual required for proretail/wholesale/ accommodation business. Duties include receptionist, shipper, data entry and some personnel management. Computer skills, sales abilities and organizational skills a must. This is a full time position. Please drop off or mail resume to Department 30, c/o The Barnacle, 324 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2V3.

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WANTED TO buy or rent: small house or cottage. We want to build a 45 ft. catamaran there. A workshop or barn would be great too. References available. Call 537-0676 Rhona or Matt.

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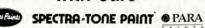
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HOROSCOPES

For the week, by Michael O'Connor e-mail: oconnorm@netidea.com



Tip of the Week: The planet Venus is symbolically related to feelings of love and desire. When placed in the sign of Pisces, the sign of compassion and mysticism (at best), Venus is said to be in her highest expression - unconditional, selfless and universal love. This week Venus completes her tour through the watery sign of the fishes where she has been accompanied by Mercury. The Moon will also be in Pisces this week (Apr 1-3) and will align with Venus. In addition, the Moon's Nodes are on the eve of changing signs which occurs about every 18 months. Interestingly, 18 is the number of the

Moon card in the Tarot which is associated with the sign of Pisces. The Moon card is linked to self-worth and self-love which opens the heart to understanding and caring for others. Further, the Moon's North Node is in the final degrees of Leo, the sign of love, passion, creativity and fun. So, this week Venus and the North Node will form a harmonious trine aspect (120 degrees) which stands to awaken and open hearts. If you have a shell around your heart expect that it might be cracked open. While this type of energy is perhaps better suited to Valentine's day than April Fool's day, leave it to the Fool, the Tarot card of innocence, to step onto the stage without a cue bearing a bouquet of flowers. This week is a tribute to the power of Valenti...er...Fool's day!

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20) amount of love we are able While you may still be to generate then never wavering between fight or again will a child go hungry or will a soul slip into despair. This is the kind of flight, feelings of ambition will be soaring. So, let go of ambition that will move you the procrastination battle and spread your wings wide to the heights to which you as you leap into the unknown. Don't fall into the aspire. There is no need to look far and wide for the answers you seek. Simply same snare as so many of our predecessors and supmove into the experience of press your feelings along the lines of what 'should' be love that is an intention away. Once you enter this done. Repression is the root space follow through with action and prove for yourself of depression, anxiety and 'dis-ease'. Don't let ambition that love is the crazy glue that binds heaven to earth. blind you to love and remem-Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23) The eternal message of the ber that love starts with you! Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20) As though standing on the threshold between reality mystics is that the separaand dreams, you feel as though you are suspended in time. The world seems a little foggy and as hard as you try you feel as though your movements are in slow

motion. If you struggle you

may sink into despair. Breathe easy now and coast. Trust that as long as

you have love and friend-

ship - and you do - you are already successful. Every-

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)

The insecurity about securi-

ty is the double edged sword that cuts close ties. We can

only be separate and alone

in our mind. Unity is a syn-

onym for love. The time has

come to melt the distance

that is created by thoughts.

A fundamental truth about

life is that it is constructed

upon opinions that people

tend to share. When we

allow these opinions to cre-

ate divisions we fall into darkness and illusion.

Center in your heart and

partake of your share of

passionate urge to take a

lead that others might feel

inspired to follow is nudging

you from deep within. So what can you do? Trust that

by simply asking yourself

this question, answers will come. Intend to open your

heart and mind as wide as

you can so that you can

catch a full measure of the

inspiration that will descend

upon you. Once you do be

sure to share it without hesi-

tation so that you are ready

and able to receive more of

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22) When

success is measured by the

the same.

unlimited abundance.

ancer (Jun 21 - Jul

thing else is just a bonus.

tionsthat we see and experience is an illusion, from the perspective of the soul. The journey of life is about finding the ways by which we can fully embody our soul and so see beyond the veils of separation, as purposeful as they are. Begin by recognizing that life is a myriad of means by which the spirit communicates. Learn to hear the divine through nature's songs and whispers and you will learn the true meaning of communion. Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21)

Since a persons life is usually patterned like a web of habits and routines it is to one's advantage to be locked into steady rhythms of empathy and compassion. This type of attitude is the key factor that sustains and centering. balance Knowing that the balance point is always moving in accordance with the law of change allows one to adjust to the times. To perpetuate this good habit consider that the idea that there is only one God is a misinterpretation that God is one

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20) A paradox about the ability to come form the heart is that it takes great courage and strength of character. There is a fine line between being in tune and being deter-mined by reality. There are many seductive forces in the world that, of their nature, are destined to lure us away from our heart center. To this end we must be willing to stand independently in the world. As the paradox continues, to stand independently yet centered in our heart we are connected to and mysteriously in tune

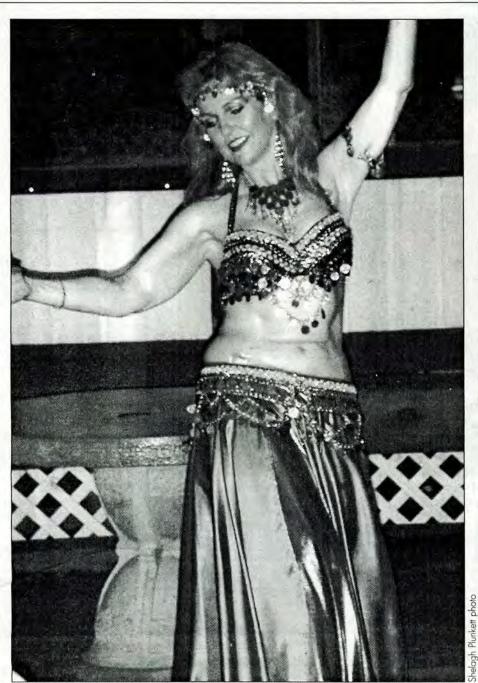
with everyone. Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec

20) The constellation of Sagittarius depicts an archer aiming at the heart center of the galaxy, from our lanet's perspective. Sagittarius is on the horizon Leo occupies Sagittarius' position in the 'natural zodiac'. When our destination is zeroed in on a path with heart it is impossible to miss no matter where the arrow actually hits. Reserve your right to choose your own target. Just make sure that your aim is backed by a clear intention to love.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19) The capacity to see beyond appearances, through the heart and into the divine spirit of another being is an indication of true power. This power is magnified when we are able to touch another's heart and so empower their spirit to rise above ego doubts. Monetary reward may not always be received but our soul knows when our actions are guided by the reality of unity because the reward of joy, the fruit of our labours, is immediately bestowed.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19) Learning to see the value in joining or creating clubs and organizations that promote unity is the type of invest-ment that will bring you the rewards you desire. As you support and promote the freedoms and rights of people to engage in creative self-expression you discover your own creative treasure trove. When your greatest passion is the act of creating co-existence expressed as the love of individual differences, your heart will sing sweetly

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) An important aspect of your destiny is to seek to be understanding as opposed to trying to be understood. To come closer to understanding yourself and others requires empathy and an active imagination. As you are increasingly able to feel another's joy and pain your heart will soar to new heights and open with great compassion. Discovering ways to express your feelings without becoming a martyr requires intelligence and creativity. Therein lies your life's purpose.



Southern exposure—The Al Ahsan belly dancers entertained diners at Fulford Inn's Greek Nights Friday and Saturday.

Ayurvedic perspective cont'd. from p22

and Diseases, from the menstrual cycle to PMS to breast, cervical and uterine cancer and Menopause: Ayurvedic Perspective and Therapies.

Throughout the programme. Kalpana Tabachnick will offer yoga classes with an emphasis on postures for women. Kalpana is a Hatha Yoga Instructor with a background in Ashtanga Yoga, Iyengar Yoga and Ayurveda. As well teach at the many programmes at the Centre, she teaches classes of all levels in the Vancouver area.

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Taking Responsibility cont'd. from p6

room. If I tell her not to eat the pretty paintings or hard the crayon, she'll do it when I'm not around. But, if I leave her alone in the kitchen to touch the hot element, she'll never do it twice.

What I am saying is that it seems as though people are always shelling out the blame to the teachers, parents, television or God. Why is it that people only take credit or blame for the successes—the gold medals, the A+ papers,

night of studying—while the failures are always the fault of someone else?

If you think your son/daughter has no idea that drinking and sex go on at parties and if you get drunk it will be difficult to drive a car, you are deluding yourself. These children are not forced to enter these types of situations. It is impossible to lock all of the doors to negative experience, but we should trust in the children's judgment. It is essential and crucial to their development as fully functioning and capable human beings. As parents you are not dictators or owners of these children. Make these children take responsibility for their own actions otherwise they never will and you, the parent, with have to.

RUSS WIHKSNE

Youth Forum draws crowd cont'd. from p7

Keith Pattinson then began his presentation on Asset Building, which focussed on the importance of old-fashioned values and a positive environment for children to model, stating that "only three things really matter [to raise] happy kids...relationships, relationships and relationships." Instead of focussing on pessimistic, reactive means to deal with problems we already face, he urged the audience to draw from within themselves memories of the four or five really important people who changed their lives, whether a loved parent or complete stranger (this is where the "wisdom of a garbage person, or the influence of strangers on our lives comes in). He then asked which common qualities these individuals brought to the relationship; support, respect, belief and caring, and stated that these nurturing qualities are what create positive and successful members of society. He condemned society's current fascination with entertainment and media culture, which has become the main model for behaviour in young people's lives.

Pattinson then gave a runthrough of each "Asset," briefly defining abstract concepts such as "Social Competencies," and "Boundaries and Expectations." He called for the creation of a plan that involved the feedback and ideas of both adults and youth; one that begins with the

group present and spreads, through continuing communication, to all member of the community. He showed statistics that correlated higher levels of "assets" with higher performance in school and better health, as well as lower incidences of alcohol use and violence. Finally, he addressed our too-common tendency to blame the government for our problems; as these "wars on drugs...prostitution...violence" never seem to work. We must instead built positive communities from youth up, and focus on

positive "asset" building. The forum concluded with a panel of five Island youth (Gemma D'Attilio, Bree Eagle, Brent Schmilt, Natalie North, and Frances Millerd) who discussed their personal feelings about the forum and portrayal of youth at large by the community. They echoed Pattinson's statement that, "the people who aren't present are the ones who need to hear." The panel also condemned the local press (ouch!), who give off a bad reputation [of Island youth] in the papers"; "when kids do something positive, [it is something specific] like an event or project, [yet] bad stuff is something general, for example, parties." One person described the press' attitude as "here's the ordinary news [concerning the community as a whole, including negative articles relating to youth] and here's the good news [one or two

stories on positive individual youth]." The young people also condemned the segregation in the high school" between teacherselected "leader" types and the rest of the school's population. The panelists ended with an urge for all to "put the ideas in action;" to act on the discussions which have, thus far, generated much emotion and energy but haven't done anything concrete. .

"Start the initiative among the interested people who are here," said Pattinson as the forum wrapped up. He urged all to spread the news. "You have the capacity and energy." For more funding he said, "go back and tell the government what's going right."

After the forum, Kerr emphasized implementing some of the ideas and activities that came out of his and O'Byrne's research and the forum. He plans to suggest action priorities to the Crime Prevention Association and will help them prepare some funding proposals to carry out some of the initiatives discussed. Kerr said he is dedicated to maintaining a discussion on the issues and to putting solutions into practice. "I found myself changing my own behaviour towards youth and adults since I began [the project]," said Kerr. Ultimately, however, "it is up to the community...to determine what happens, people's own willingness to be involved."

Ground break at Portlock cont'd. from p2

linked and shared by walkers, cyclists, in-line skaters, wheel chairs, equestriansanyone who wants to be on the road and is currently intimidated by all the traf-

fic," said Heffernan.
"Having a safe place to walk and ride our bikes would improve the quality of life for Island residents.

Visitors who come to the Island by bike would also benefit. With an estimated 20,000 cyclists visiting the Island every year, bicycle tourism injects nearly a quarter of a million dollars annually into our local economy. Imagine the benefits if we actually provided better infrastructure and

services that would encourage them to visit the island by bike," said Heffernan. "We are grateful to have the support of PARC who paid for the survey and provided letters of support for grants and to PARC staff who applied for the permit from highways and worked on the tender documents."

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By Michelle Grant

An Island landmark may soon become a casualty of consolidation. Saturday, April 15, the Anglican parish will decide if 108 years of their own history is worth preserving. The fate of St. Mark's, the oldest Anglican church on the Island hangs in the balance.

St. Mark's is no stranger to the threat of re-location or closure. Its high perch on a hill overlooking North End Road has long been a point of contention. But in the past, the congregation has always stood firm in its belief that the frame church should remain intact at its original location.

The church dates back to a time when the Island population was less than 500 with no resident doctor or clergy. Worship services were held twice monthly at the log schoolhouse at Central where Raffles Purdy (father of Margaret Cunningham and Mary Inglin) doubled as teacher and lay reader.

In 1889, Sam and Emily Beddis, the Stevens, Raffles

Purdy and other pioneers decided they wanted a proper church and after lengthy debate, a building site offered by the Stevens, next door to their boarding house was accepted. Islanders of every religious persuasion pitched in donating time and materials. Sam Beddis and his son Charlie were in charge of the actual construction. Back then, travel was time-consuming and so Sam, after rowing his boat from his farm on Beddis to the foot of Ganges Harbour, and making the rest of the journey on foot, would spend the week at the Stevens' boarding house.

The lumber came from Chemainus to Vesuvius by scow and then overland by ox-team. The church took four years to complete since Sam and Charlie also had a farm to run and building contracts in Victoria to complete. In 1891, the Reverend James Belton Haslam was appointed as resident clergyman and on May 15, 1892, St. Mark's was consecrated by the bishop.

Two years later, residents in the south end decided they wanted their own church and St. Mary's in Fulford was built.

In 1894, the Reverend E.F. Wilson replaced Rev.



Looking through the Squire's gates of St. Mark's at Central, the oldest Anglican Church on Salt Spring.



Christ Stilling the Waves is in memory of Harold Scott and George Smedley, two young men who drowned in Ganges harbour in 1898. It was made in England and brought by ship around Cape Horn to Victoria for the princely sum of \$2.50.

HERITAGE IN JEOPARDY

Haslam. Wilson was an energetic artist, writer and cartographer. His journal entries record local and international events. January 22, 1901 he noted the death of Queen Victoria and on the 31st, he designed a memorial window to her. This unique window was commissioned from the Toronto firm of Robert McCausland, paid for by public subscription and installed on May 25, 1902, less than two years after her death.

Behind the altar, a magnificent window depicts Christ stilling the waves, a memorial to Harold Scott and George Smedley, young men who drowned in Ganges harbour in 1898. The friends were rowing home when a storm blew up, capsizing their boat. The following day, their bodies washed up on Toynbee beach. Only the week before, Harold had played the organ for his brother Frank's marriage to Kathleen Wilson. The Rev. Wilson notes the same white roses used during the wedding were used for the funeral.

St. Mark's is a rich tapestry of Island history. It is here that the veterans of World War II immortalized their fallen comrades and here that Helen Louise, a loving wife and mother is remembered through the Leigh-Spencer memorial room. Nearly everything in St. Mark's has a history. Even the red carpet dates back to a Royal Tour of 1939 when it was used by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth during a crossing from Vancouver to Victoria in a naval destroyer.

A story of St. Mark's would not be complete without Henry Bullock, a stalwart member for 50 years. Margaret Cunningham in her book "Upon a Certain Island" recalls an early service at which her husband, the churchwarden, Bullock and a visiting clergyman were present—the collection that morning amounted to \$10 from Henry Bullock and 10¢ from the visitor.

A man of substance, Bullock set the standards for elegant dress, fostering among his young female acquaintances a love of stylish earrings and white gloves. His parties and balls were legendary, earning him the title the "Squire of Salt Spring." The wrought iron gates at the entrance to the church were erected in his memory.

It's safe to assume that if the squire were here today, St. Mark's deteriorating underpinnings would be well in hand. But he is not and so the parish must decide how it will rise to the occasion. The options before the parish are to repair the foundation and re-open the church, or to deconsecrate St. Mark's and remove all significant fixtures and install them at a chapel at All Saints following the sale of the land and church.

The Reverend Canon Dr. Kim Murray sees his role in this potentially explosive issue as one of neutrality; "I ask the questions." He is aware of how much St. Mark's means to those who worship there and recognizes there would be a good deal of community support should the parish go ahead with restoring the church.

Murray sees an advantage in having three churches in the parish, each with its own personality and character. Not everyone can worship in the same way. Those

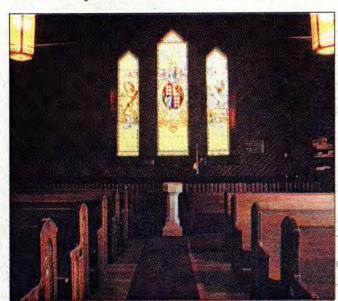
in favour of a chapel must recognize it won't be the same. "You'll have things that will remind you of St. Mark's but it will not be St. Mark's." And there is no guarantee that the diocese, who owns both the land and the church, will approve the building of a chapel. In essence, the parish could end up with nothing.

Whatever the outcome, the discussion on April 15 is bound to be an emotional one. The sense of peace and tranquility offered by the church is difficult to find; perhaps impossible to duplicate. "It's as if all the prayers of all the people had seeped into the woodwork," explained a former clergyman.

"St. Mark's is a place in time, through which we are privileged to pass. We have no right to tear it down," said one member. Archivist Mary Davidson said, "the Historical Society feels very strongly that these buildings should be preserved."

According to Building Inspector Dick Stubbs, "Almost all buildings are restorable provided the owner has the inclination and the money."

Time will tell whether the Island will end up with a diluted version of St. Mark's, no St. Mark's or a revered, respected and restored St. Mark's.



The Queen Victoria Memorial Window is believed to be the only one in Canada dedicated to her death.