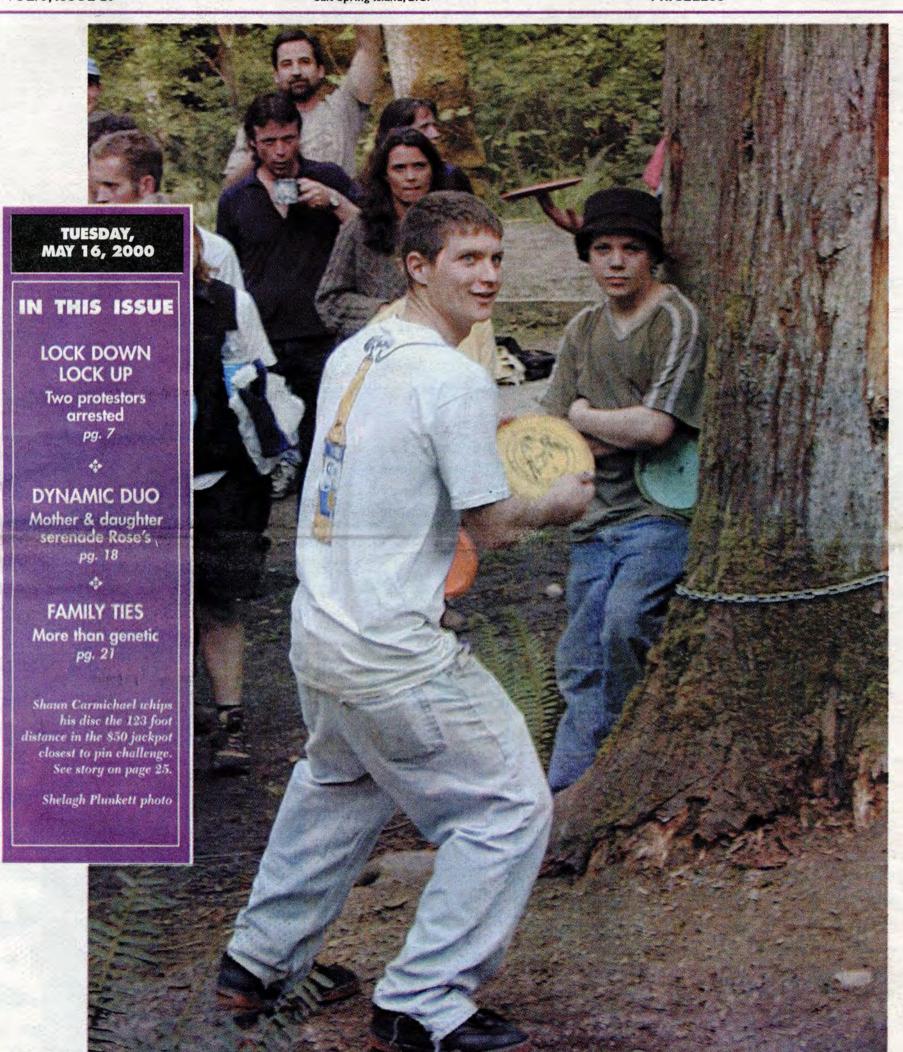
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Hospital staff speak out on doctor debate

by Michelle Grant

Lady Minto hospital staff have issued a statement believe clarifies aspects of the tension brewing between doctors and the Capital Health Region regarding compensation for the doctors' on-call duties.

Doctors are currently negotiating for increased compensation for their oncall emergency duties. They are asking for \$300 per night based on the fact that Saanich doctors receive that amount. In their May 12 statement, Lady Minto staff point out that the \$300 oncall fee that Saanich doctors receive requires those doctors to be on site at the hospital for their entire emergency on-call night shift. This was confirmed by Dr.

Karen Berg, a spokesperson for the Salt Spring Family Physicians. However, local doctors spend their on-call night shifts away from the hospital and receive no compensation unless they are called into the hospital to attend an emergency situation. Doctors then have 10 minutes to make it to the hospital.

Under the current system doctors are paid a basic fee of \$25 per emergency call that takes them to the hospital, plus a time of day charge. Before midnight the time of day charge is \$35, after midnight it rises to \$45. In addition, doctors are paid per fee item billed at the same rate they would bill during normal hours.

One of the major stresses

with on-call emergencies is that doctors are expected to make critical and correct decisions in situations for which they've had little time to prepare. To assist doctors in this regard, the Capital Health Region does provide backup services via telephone 24 hours a day. Doctors may also have access to local specialists.

Staff also point out that hospital lab and x-ray technicians also have on-call duties. Lab technicians are on call one week out of every four. While on call, they are compensated at a rate of \$2 per hour, a rate that generates \$220 for each week of on-call duty. Should a technician be called in, he or she will be paid an additional amount

at one and one half times the rate for a minimum of two hours. On Sunday, they are paid double time. The work that technicians may be called in to perform is typically the same work they do every day. In the case of physicians, the emergency work extremely varied.

The College of Physicians & Surgeons code states that all physicians are responsible for the patients in their practice 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In order to meet that round-theclock care, doctors sign out their obligations to other physicians in the community through the sharing of emergency on-call duties. Salt Spring doctors are finding these obligations increasingly difficult to meet as their own practices increase, our population doubles with tourists and the emergency system

We have since learned that our reporter was misinformed during the interview she conducted. Dr. Myers is not planning to move off-Island at this time. Sorry for the panic we may have caused.

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becomes burdened with patients unable to find a family doctor on Island.

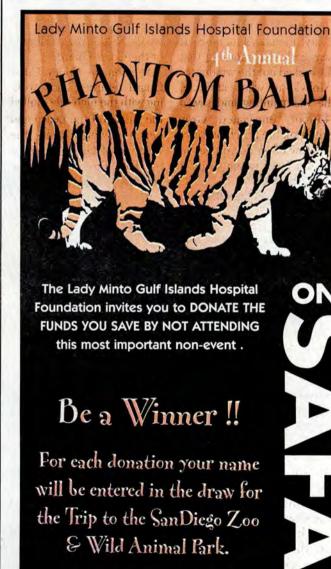
According to Berg, "The quality of life that people want or expect is seriously compromised by the rigours of being on call." She said that the bottom line is not the money but the obligation to be on call every five to 10 days. "We want to do the best for our patients; we take our jobs very seriously," said Berg.

same issue we ran a photo of Harry Burton and two smiling people sampling organic apples. Contrary to what we wrote, Brian and Sally Uncles are not from the U.S....just south of the Marvin /Texan line.



published an article entitled "Frustrated doctors seek relief." In it we wrote that Dr. Myers was planning to move off-Island.



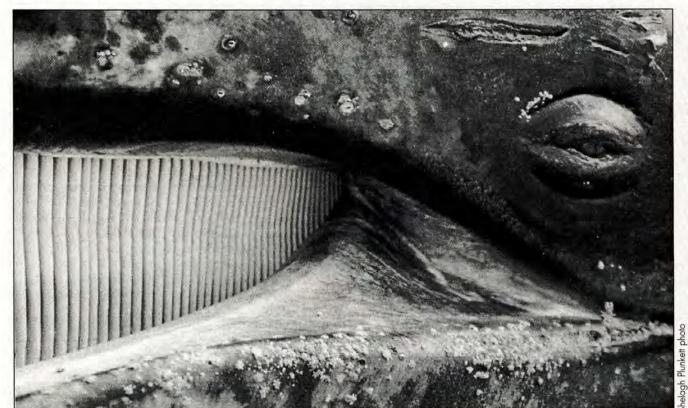


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Dead Grey half normal weight

Friday, May 12 will stick in Daryl Fletcher's memory. It was early that morning that he looked out the window of Moby's Pub where at 6 a.m. he was painting and saw a 43-foot, emaciated Grey whale on the beach outside. "How often do you get to hold a Grey whale while it dies," he said.

Fletcher said the whale was alive when he rushed outside, its tail and flippers moving. After phoning Fisheries and Oceans, Fletcher tried to comfort the whale by holding its head. He said it died within 20 minutes.

By 9:30 a.m. the beach was filled with teachers and students as they took advantage of a rare opportunity to view such a huge mammal. Children leaned close to examine the whale's baleen and to observe the live barnacles and other crustaceans embedded in its skin while Coast Guard and the CRD animal control officer worked to keep the crowd at bay.

"There will be a necropsy on the whale and we've been asked us to keep peo-

ple from touching the whale," said Dave Howell of the Coast Guard.

At noon on Friday Coast Cuard returned and working with the high tide, pulled the whale off the beach and began towing it to the Institute of Ocean Sciences in Pat Bay where the necropsy would take place.

Federal Marine Mammal co-ordinator Ed Lochbaum said the Institute was very interested in performing a necropsy on the whale because of the fact that it had died so recently.

"We know this is a very fresh carcass," Lochbaum. "A much better specimen than the Grey whale that turned up on Saturna a week or so ago."

On Saturday Lochbaum said the necropsy had shown the whale had clearly not eaten anything of great nutritional value for a very long time. He said the contents of the whale's stomach indicated it had starved to death.

"It had no fat reserves and because of that would have had difficulty staying afloat.



"It was a bitter irony," said biologist Lochbaum about the whale's final resting place in front of Moby's Pub.

It wouldn't have been operating under much of its own steam," said Lochbaum.

He confirmed that the whale was male and said it was quite old—anywhere from 20 to 50 years. He added that beyond the fact that it was very thin, the whale appeared to have been reasonably healthy with no obvious disease or damage to its internal organs.

Grey whales are near shore bottom feeders. Lochbaum explained the whales use their mouths to riffle the mud on the ocean floor, stirring up plankton, crill and other microscopic organisms that are filtered through the whale's baleen. He was unwilling to speculate why this whale might have starved to death saying that results from the necropsy would not be complete for at least a month. However, like the one that died in Ganges, past tests on dead Grey whales have shown that they have low fat reserves.

At this time of year, more than 20,000 Grey whales are making their annual migration from Mexico to Alaska. This was the nineth to be found dead in B.C. waters this year.



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with John Pottinger

Pickering: Have you no morals, man?

Doolittle: Can't afford them, Governor.

(George Bernard Shaw, Pygmalion)

The Manulife Literary Arts Festival takes place this Thursday in Victoria. Manulife's Recently, Executive Vice President of Investments, Richard Coles, wrote, "It would be unfortunate to penalize the organizers and attendees of this festival-which is very much a family affair-since they have absolutely no involvement in the issue of logging Salt Spring. Instead we urge you to raise your concerns with the company directly involved-Texada Land Corporation.'

That statement is either ignorant or arrogant, depending on whether or not Mr. Coles knows what our community is going through. Granted, Texada is the company directly involved: they bought the land to get the trees. Manulife just loaned them the money.

Manulife's press releases seem to indicate a double standard exists. Their recently launched "Helping Hands" programme is in support of volunteerism and corporate citizenship. In launching the programme, Trevor Matthews, another Executive VP at Manulife, stated, "Manulife's latest commitment to volunteerism will expand on the company's strong and ongoing community support. We have a healthy track record of supporting communities where we're located..." Well, whether they like it or not, they're located on Salt Spring, thanks to their financial backing of Texada.

At Manulife's recent ACM, company President and D'Alessandro, told share- thing and does another."

holders that Manulife had looked (unsuccessfully) at ways to get out of their mortgage with Texada. If Manulife would really like to disassociate themselves from Texada, and thereby help our community, I have a suggestion. Do what every other concerned person and organization is doing: Do what you can. Stop blathering on about how our dispute is really with Texada. Tell Texada that you're opposed to non-sustainable logging.

You recently announced a budget of \$4.8 million for "global citizenship" projects. So help our community establish economically and environmentally sound projects (including locally based sustainable logging).

John Richardson is Senior Executive VP at Manulife. (Can you believe how many Executive VPs this company has? I can imagine the answer when someone calls to complain about clear-cut logging. "Oh, I'm sorry, that's not my department. You'll have to contact the Executive Vice President of Community Abuse and Disrespect.") A few weeks ago, Richardson said, "For more than 100 years, Manulife Financial has been a part of Canadian communities. We appreciate the importance of contributing to those communities." Well, Mr. Senior Executive VP Richardson, if financing industrial logging is how you contribute to communities you may as well just send smallpox.

Thomas Kierans, of Manulife's Board Directors, is also the Director of the Clarkson Centre for Business Ethics at the University of Toronto. I'm going to send him this column and suggest he give his students (and himself) an assignment. "Discuss the ethical implications of a corporation which says one



Microwave update

I have just learned that cell towers were put up literally overnight in Colwood and Langford. The one erected in Colwood was installed on a Friday night because of the huge amount of opposition!

Why should you be wary of a microwave tower? Cheek out emr.bc.ca and follow the links "Articles & Reports" and A Health Tale of Two Cities for scientific research that is "inconclusive."

Please call me at 537-4147 if you wish to get involved with my neighbours and me for a very important showdown.

KIM HOBAN

P.S. Legally, Telus is supposed to have set up a public meeting, but only for the people within a 300 foot radius of the site in question.

Dear Telus

It has come to the attention of the inhabitants of Ganges, Salt Spring Island, that Telus is considering the erection of a microwave cell phone transmitter on top of an existing BC Hydro tower in the middle of a residential neighbourhood (corner of Howell Lane and King's Lane). Not only is this location central to families with young children,

Hydro's Salt Spring offices, but is also within a short distance of the Lady Minto Hospital, a senior's residence, the federal and provincial government offices, the RCMP detachment's offices, and three public schools.

The residents of Ganges are very concerned because of the large amount of scientific data being circulated regarding the potential health hazards posed by microwave transmissions.

Please halt the construction of the transmitter at the above noted location. Even should the mountain of scientific data and the countless testimonials on internet web sites world-wide prove to be inconclusive, would it not be prudent and in everyone's best interest to locate such a transmitter well away from Ganges Village?

On behalf of the concerned citizens of Ganges Village, we implore you to give this crucial matter your serious attention.

> RAY DORGE GAIL SIBLEY

Doctors deserve support

I'm with the SSI Doctors 200 per cent. There are the Ganges Village Market shopping mall, and BC they have "picked up" that have none of the responsibil-

ity of our medical doctors. Our doctors have spent many long years learning their skill, and helping to keep us alive.

Perhaps no other profession is so hard on family life as to "being on call" so much.

Had a baby of late? They do not arrive between 8 and 5 Monday to Friday.

CY RELPH

Tree huggers not real Islanders

As a long time resident and a person involved in the local logging industry for many years I find myself extremely embarrassed and angry to be called an Islander these days. To turn on the TV and see, for the most part, a bunch of free spirited (to put it politely) types blocking logging trucks and a public road, and to be categorized with these people as an "Islander," I find extremely distressing. To have the rest of B.C. think that this is an example of a contributing Salt Spring community member, or how everyone on the Island feels about logging, is a great injustice and an insult to myself and many of the working class and long-time residents.

These protestors are a small and to businesses, including Islanders offering services example of how the Island population feels, supported by a few big names such as

Andrea Collins. I found it particularly ironic that the News Hour took a shot of the beautiful view seen from Andrea Collins' estate. If it weren't for the so-called clear cut logging of her estate and surrounding properties, there wouldn't be a view.

I am certain that if a few of the more typical working class and old time residents decided to block a public road for a cause, such as abuse of our welfare system for the purpose of protesting, we would be removed by the police in a big hurry. For protestors to be allowed to block a public road just because they're tree huggers is both appalling and a travesty of justice.

It is time for some real Salt Spring landowners to be heard; before we need a permit to cut our own lawns.

OLE MOFFAT

Hey Alberta, slow down!

You're a red sports jeep style vehicle with a black portable top who went by me so quickly I missed your vehicle make and license number or it would have been in this letter. It was Wednesday May 3 at 3:45 in the afternoon and I had just come off the ferry. You

see Alberta p5

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Alberta cont'd from p4 passed me in front of the Fulford Hall way over the speed limit. You twice passed that I saw over a double line (no passing area even on Salt Spring) plus you drove with your wheel well over the double line on several occasions. Going up Lee's Hill you again passed in a restricted area (the downhill lane had passing rights, not you) and again the same thing just before Slegg Lumber.

Despite your "Hell Bent for Leather" Alberta freeway driving approach (been there, seen that), you arrived in town five vehicles ahead of me; slowed to a crawl (because you had to) through town and then again took off in front of the Fishery. Don't get me wrong, I like Albertans; they're really nice people and they enjoy our peaceful tranquil Island and driving on good two land roads without stoplights.

Let's give you the benefit of the doubt and say that your uptight city driving style hadn't the opportunity to adjust to our peaceful, tranquil way of life. We love our wildlife, children, pets and style of living and would hate to have you spoil it for us. Not to mention the bad

memories that could last a lifetime with you should you be the cause of an accident. I have a suggestion for you: "RELAX and take time to smell the ROSES; it's part of living on our Island Paradise and probably why you came to visit."

B. WINSOR

Important landmark

The Saltspring Island Historical Society would like to thank the Council of the Anglican Church who have decided to maintain St. Mark's Church. It is a landmark on Salt Spring Island and would be sorely missed if it fell into disrepair or were destroyed.

We agree, because the community values this historical building, we should all help to preserve it. While the Historical Society does not have funds to donate to the restoration of the building our members are determined to do their utmost to help preserve St. Mark's for future generations.

> THE EXECUTIVE Saltspring Island Historical Society

New videos at library

Copies of two highly acclaimed films shown during the recent Film Festival at GISS have been acquired and placed for borrowing in the Mary Hawkins Library, video section.

Turbulence vividly portrays the power of financial markets and some of the consequences of their activities in several countries of the world. Opre Roma: Gypsies in Canada, celebrates the vibrant gypsy culture and shows their tenacious struggle to claim their roots with pride. The film contains much music and dancing.

A third video now in the library is Fury for the Sound: the Women at Clayoquot. This was shown to a large, enthusiastic audience at a Film Festival five years ago. It gives the story of the summer of '93 and the historic community protest at Kennedy Bridge.

The borrowing cost is small, but please be sure to return videos promptly. The Film Festival Committee is already gearing up for 2001 and expects to have another excellent programme then.

BOB WILD Film Festival Committee see Letters p30

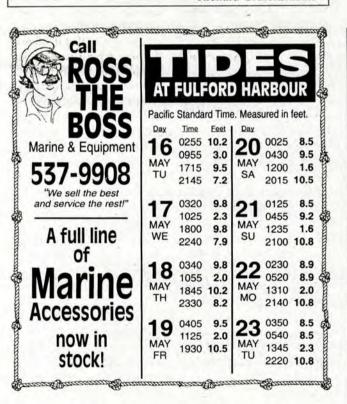


A Journal as literary as the Barnacle can be found in the most unusual places. Take, for example, Appenzell, Switzerland, population: 7, 340, 604.

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Compassion is an art not a virtue.

-Richard Cruickshanks



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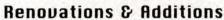
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HISTORY AT RISK—Local hikers have named it Daffodil Cabin and its history stretches back to the early years of World War I. The log and plank building is on Texada owned land and although Texada's forester has marked a wide margin around the cabin that won't be logged, hikers and local historians are concerned for its future. Story has it the cabin was built by Axel Gardner who came to the Island with his brother Julius from the United States in about 1914. In the 20s both brothers returned to the U.S., leaving their cabins (Julius built another below the one pictured above) to their fates. If anyone has more information about either the Gardner brothers or the cabin pictured, please contact the Barnacle.

Salt Spring World Challenge

As tensions mounted this week, with some people taking action by blockading trucks and even having themselves arrested, in addition to hearing that the National Park for the Gulf Islands will not include these Southwest Salt Spring Lands, it is abundantly clear that the need to purchase these lands is imperative!

Why? The current issue of Nature Canada states that although British Columbia has the highest level of biodiversity, it has the lowest levels of protection. These lands have been earmarked for protection because they are virtually undeveloped. They contain the last largest second growth continuous Douglas Fir forest in the Gulf Islands, the largest undeveloped shoreline (probably south of Quadra Island) and the largest Garry Oak Woodlands in CANADA (not protected by the Gulf Islands proposed National Park).

But, while the province's new 2000 budget has increased, the portion of that budget designated for the environment has decreased to less than one per cent! No wonder we must bear the brunt of the embarrassing news that even though the province agreed to contribute with the federal government on acquisitions of ecologically sensitive areas in the Pacific Heritage Marine Legacy Programme it is unable to meet that commitment. Thus, there is neither provincial nor federal money available under that programme to protect these national and ecological gems we have here on Salt Spring. One federal and provincial initiative—the Georgia Basin Eco-System Initiative—could provide up to \$120,000 for the protection of the Mount Maxwell Garry Oak meadows, but that appears to be the grand total of federal/provincial funds

available to us. Thanks, however, goes to the CRD for committing some Park dollars for the protection of parts of Mount Tuam.

Forestry has been touted by some Islanders as an economic base for this Island. Forestry practices here have been primarily confined to clearing for residences and for agricultural purposes. As with all of B.C. we cannot continue cutting our forests as though they were crops of lettuce! As we have seen all over the world, the cedars of Lebanon are now deserts! The lovely trees of England are gone! Once, twice, and three strikes you're out seems to be the motto for forestry. Thus, selective sustainable logging is the only sane way to leave a world that can provide for the lives of our children and all other creatures. The fact that we must protect second growth now, as the old growth is virtually gone, is a statement in itself! I personally know of third generation loggers on this island who agree.

Why is there a dead whale on our beach? One look at the emaciated creature and you know its not age but the lack of food in our oceans caused by draggers destroying the ocean bottom floors (where the Grey whales feed), fishfarms polluting and destroying the habitats of prawns, herring, seabeds etc. and of course the destruction of the streams where the fish spawn following overcutting of forests.

So, it's up to us to protect these lands and—as most have heard—not just for parks! Through the wonderful abilities of Land Trusts, and particularly through the Land Conservancy of British Columbia and the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, we can not only acquire lands,

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Three days of blockades end in arrest for two

by Peggy Abrahams

The stand-off between protestors and Texada Land Corporation escalated last week during three days of blockades in the Burgoyne triangle at the foot of Lees Hill. The protest action culminated in the arrest of two men-46-year-old Rodney McGuckin, arrested Thursday, and a 16-year-old vouth, who cannot be identified, arrested Friday. Both have been charged with contempt of court.

On Friday, at about noon, RCMP arrested a teenage male who had locked himself to the frame of a logging truck earlier in the morning. In a statement, RCMP Sgt. Paul Darbyshire said, "The Salt Island Spring Fire Department and BC Ambulance spent two hours assisting the police in removing the locking mechanism. The youth was charged with contempt of court for defying a court injunction Texada had brought against Islanders to prevent demonstrators from interfering with logging trucks and machinery." The youth is not a resident of Salt Spring, but was visiting the Island to lend his support in the dispute with Texada, said witness Melanie Furman. His arrest followed that of local cabinet maker Rodney McGuckin, 46, who had locked himself to a different logging truck the day before. McGuckin was arrested on Thursday.

Intended as a peaceful

demonstration, protestors were objecting to Texada's recent logging operations in lot 50, identified by the CRD for acquisition as a potential park site.

The arrests on Thursday Friday followed Wednesday's blockades during which three trucks loaded with logs destined for the Burgoyne log dump were stopped and held for the day.

On Wednesday Robert Macdonald, Derek and Regan Trethewey—principals in Texada Land Corporation—and Brent Kapler, Texada's on-Island manager, visited the blockade. Macdonald spoke at length with protestors, repeatedly assuring them that Texada was not yet logging in Lot 50 but had only put through logging roads on the site.

"I have provided moratorium after moratorium," he said referring to requests from the CRD not to log in areas they are interested in purchasing for parkland. "I urge you to attend our meetings with the CRD." Macdonald said Texada is in negotiations with the CRD to donate the Garry Oak meadows on the north shore of Burgoyne Bay.

When asked about the rate of cut Macdonald said, "I feel ok because we're following the rules and regulations, and we're replanting."

On Thursday, however, qualified Kapler Macdonald's statements by



saying the company had twice deferred logging in Lot 50 in deference to the CRD's interest but could not afford to do so any longer.

On Thursday afternoon, before McGuckin's arrest, Darbyshire joined hands with the protestors in a circle. He told them, "I feel I've treated everyone with compassion, but I feel my hand has been forced."

Darbyshire then spoke with McGuckin, advising him of his rights. He told McGuckin he could release himself voluntarily, or have the metal pipe cut off. He added, "The third option is to spray pepper spray in his eyes."

Later, 10 officers, including police from Salt Spring, Outer Gulf Islands and South Island Highway Patrol along with a police dog and his handler in a van, drove up to the protest site. Not wanting to tie up emergency services, McGuckin voluntarily released himself. He was charged with contempt of court and was released on the condition that he not defy the court order. McGuckin is scheduled to appear in the Supreme Court in Victoria on May 17.

Kapler was at the site Thursday, recording some of the events on video camera. He said, "It's been two days of lost wages for our contractors, our loggers, and their families."

He explained that the usual haul of timber is five loads a day per truck, with three trucks in operation. Two of the trucks, operated by Texada's contractor Dorman Timber, were taken off the Island on Wednesday, leaving the one stopped in the blockade.

"We wanted to see where this was going to lead. We don't mind if people want to



RCMP Sgt. Paul Darbyshire (above left) joins hands with protestors Wednesday, May 10. Rod McGuckin (above) locked onto a truck Thursday, May 11

we need to take the necessary steps to secure our business plans," Kapler said.

Furman, a spokesperson for the protestors, and member of the Emerald Forest Preservation Society, said the blockades will continue. "The plan is, as long as there is someone out there willing to be arrested,

protest within the law, but we'll be out there to support them. And if no one else is willing to be arrested, we'll still be out there every day at 8 o'clock."

According to Furman, Sgt. Darbyshire asked Texada to stop logging on Friday because of the drain on police resources. Darbyshire could not be reached for comment on police plans.

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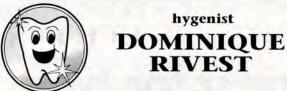
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Approval of time change likely

requests deferral of ratification

A committee charged with reviewing the school time change implemented in September has voted unanimously to recommend that the new schedule remain in effect, Uli Temmel, president of the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) Parents' Advisory Council, told the GISS PAC at its monthly meeting last week.

The decision will not be final until ratified by the school board. Although the next board meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, May 17, the GISS PAC has written to Rod Scotvold, secretary-treasurer of the board and chair of the committee, asking that the vote be deferred until June. PAC has requested this to allow for input by Salt Spring families who expected to be polled.

The schedule change was made last September to accommodate commuting high school students from the Outer Islands, who previously had to leave home before dawn to take the water taxi to Salt Spring. As of September, the high school schedule started an hour later and the elementary and middle school day began a half hour earlier.

According to Temmel, who attended the meeting and joined in the vote, the committee considered a number of issues, including academic performance, attendance and costs to evaluate the impact of the schedule change during the last year.

"There weren't any conclusive results. There were some additional costs, but also some additional savings," said Temmel.

He added that written submissions were also considered. There were a number of letters from the Outer Islands supporting the new schedule, but no letters from Salt Spring.

"On Salt Spring, the diffi-culties seem to have been handled. It was unanimous, and I agreed. I was opposed originally, but the support from the Outer Islands was overwhelming," Temmel said.

In January, the GISS PAC sent a letter and sample survey to the committee, recommending a poll of all school families affected by the change as part of the review process.

GISS principal Nancy Macdonald questioned questioned whether a survey would have changed the committee's vote. She pointed out that the change was made on behalf of students from the Outer Hslands, who are a minority. "Even if we'd gone to a survey and gotten a five to one decision against, there's no way the Outer Islands' voice could have been heard on the vote."

GISS PAC treasurer Marlie Kelsey said people thought this was the first step in the process, not a meeting at which the final decision would be made. "I felt from everything the board indicated they were going to do it right this year. I feel let down.'

School trustee Judith Boel, also present at the PAC meeting, said, "Once in a while you have a bump. There are decisions that are justified but unpopular."

Search and Rescue seeks home

Salt Spring Island Search and Rescue is used to searching for lost people but now the service is searching for a new home.

For the last 10 years the Ambulance Service has generously donated a room in their building to Salt Spring Island Search and Rescue. The space has been used for an operation centre, training, meeting and storage of rescue and communication equipment. As a result of expanding demands on the Ambulance Service, the room is required for additional office and dormitory space as of June.

For Search and Rescue to continue to operate on Salt Spring Island a new desperately required. This essential Island emergency service is government and relies on donations for operating expenses. The volunteers

not funded by any level of receive no compensation new home. Anyone who for their services. The group is appealing to the Dan Pippin (537-2524) or community to help it find a

can help please contact Peter Andress (537-0881).

Mind play: Two psychics to put on show

Two internationally known mediums will entertain audiences with a show of dueling minds, Friday, May 19 at the Masonic Hall. Simon James and Brian Robertson promise to enlighten, entertain and amaze as they demonstrate their skills at communicating between the worlds.

Simon James is one of the U.K.'s finest mediums. He has taught medical professionals and teachers in all aspects of the intuitive arts. He is also a tutor and course organizer at the Arthur Findlay College (a college for the promotion of spiritual and psychic research).

Brian Robertson is a top ranking Canadian medium. His involvement in the field has spanned more than 20 years. Aside from having numerous articles published in various magazines worldwide, he has also appeared on television. He is the first Canadian to be accepted as a tutor at the Arthur Findlay College in Britain.

The evening begins at 7 p.m., Friday, May 19 at the Masonic Hall.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door, or call Carol at 537-2154 or Trish at 537-5119. Private readings are also available.

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we can borrow to purchase them now, before they are all cut. We can lease those lands for organic agriculture and sustainable forestry that looks at all possible land uses, in addition to protection of ecologically sensitive areas.

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SHEILA HARRINGTON Ten-year resident of Salt Spring Island

Creative People Must Be Stopped

Running on empty



Well, how about it—is the spiralling cost of gasoline driving you squirrelly? Are you about ready to take that high octane gasoline nozzle and stick it where the sun doesn't shine? Here's a heretical thought for you: we aren't paying enough at the pumps.

It's not my argument. It comes from the lips of William E. Rees, an economist and a professor at the University of British Columbia.

And I'm not sure he's wrong. What the professor has done is add up the hidden costs of each liter of gas we buy when we fill 'er up. The health costs, for instance, of all that pollution associated with the burning of fossil fuels. The environmental degradation. The millions of dollars our government forks over to the Big Oil Boys in the form of lavish subsidies and generous tax breaks. Professor Rees reckons that if we were Wit & Whimsy ... with Arthur Black

really paying the freight, each liter of gas we buy would cost us anywhere...from 2 bucks to \$5.40 a pop.

Maybe he's right. I do know that we humans have an ongoing love affair with our cars.

And we all know that love is

A couple of years ago I visited the city of Florence, Italy. Florence is one of the great urban treasures on the planet. Unbelievable architecture. Breathtaking paintings and sculptures. Exquisite piazzas and galleries and streets.

I couldn't wait to get out of the place.

Florence stinks. It is polluted with honking, spewing, farting vehicles that befoul the air, clog the lungs and befuddle the mind. Michaelangelo or Cellini or Giotto were to revisit their beloved metropolis, I know they would run, screaming, for the Tuscany hills. Dante would think he'd found his Inferno. The internal combustion engine has turned

Florence into a screeching, fume-shrouded, lung-searing urban nightmare.

Saddest thing of all, hardly anyone seems to notice.

It's a little different in Canada—we have more space-but we depend even more on the automobile. And the end result isn't any prettier. Rush hour in Vancouver or Montreal or Toronto isn't that different from rush hour in Rome, Paris or Singapore—it's still bloody awful.

Actually if you've got a twisted sense of humour, it's ever so slightly hilarious. In London, rush-hour traffic now moves more slowly than it did a hundred years ago when people travelled on foot and by horse.

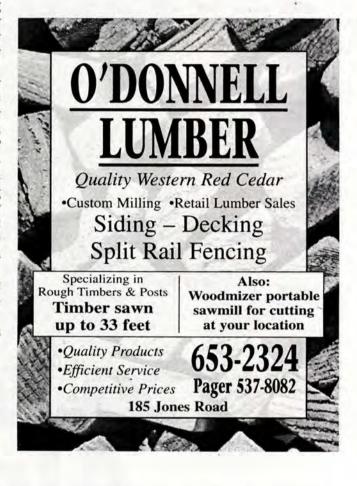
Some places—in Western Europe particularly—are just beginning to fight back. Governments there are beginning to discern the obvious civic benefits (and municipal savings) of improved bus and street car systems and seriously dedicated bicycle lanes. Last fall, 150 cities in France, Italy and Switzerland got together and agreed to ban automobiles completely for one day. Some cities, like Verona and Siena, have said to hell with it, and banned cars entirely. In Paris a few months ago, more than two dozen government ministers showed up for a cabinet meeting riding bicycles and electric scooters. Even Ottawa has made noises about kicking some money back into our national Via Rail passenger service which it's been quietly strangling for decades.

All of which makes our grousing and mewling about the price of gasoline faintly silly. Seventy-five cents a liter for gas got you down? That works out to what-\$2.50 a gallon? Well, heads up, chum. You're also paying over five bucks a gallon for homogenzed milk; eight bucks a gallon for orange juice and twenty-five bucks a gallon for Evian water.

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Ethnobotanist to present on traditional Island land uses

Just what is an anthropogenic ecosystem? What role has fire played in shaping Salt Spring's landscape? Does fire have a role in the management of Garry Oak Meadows today? These are but some of the questions to be tackled by ethnobotanist Brenda Beckwith in her slide presentation entitled People in Natural Landscapes: an Historical Perspective at Fulford Hall on Wednesday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Brenda Beckwith is an ethnobotanist and a PhD candidate with Nancy Turner at the School of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria. The focus of her research is fire-ecology and anthropogenic ecosystems with a focus on Garry Oakcamas ecosystems.

This event is the first in a series of free workshops and presentations of the S & W Stewardship Project, which aims to support landholders in the South and West of Salt Spring in their stewardship and conservation efforts. The basic principle of stewardship is that all things are related, and that balance and harmony between all life forms is essential to a healthy environment. Private land stewardship is about voluntarily taking responsibility for the land over which you as a landholder have influence.

First Nations people had a long history of stewardship on Salt Spring Island before settlement. European Brenda Beckwith will share with us her knowledge of the interactions between these early visitors to Salt Spring and the island landscape, including the historical role of fire on the Island, possible impacts of fire suppression on island ecosystems, and management techniques used in the Garry Oak-camas beds.

The public is welcome to the Salt Spring Conservancy in suite 204 of the Upper Ganges Centre, 338 Lower Ganges Road. Office hours are Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To obtain a detailed schedule sources Environment Foundation Mountain

of our educational events or for information on stewardship issues, please contact the Salt Spring Island Conservancy at 538-0318. The Salt Spring Island Conservancy's Stewardship Project is funded by several including Canada's **EcoAction 2000 Community** Funding Program as primary funder, The Real Estate of B.C., Equipment Cooperative's Environment Fund, The Salt Spring Island Foundation, and through local sponsorship.

Fire fighters raise funds for local cause

This coming Saturday, raised the member of the Salt Spring Fire Department will be out at various locations raising money for the Lady Minto Hospital Foundation.

local firefighters have

money Muscular Distrophy. This year, however, they voted to keep the funds raised closer to home by donating them to a local charity.

"They feel that their old Over the past few years charity is still a very worthwhile cause, but by

for raising the money from Enfield wrote that local local people and using it to help local people, they feel they'll make Salt Spring a better community," said Fire Chief Dave Enfield.

In a press release issued by the fire department, volunteers felts some trepidation regarding the change.

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by Michelle Grant

She's young, pretty and shy. Her life revolves around the Friday, Saturday and Sunday night parties. Sixteen years old, she drinks to overcome her shyness, to cope with the stress of talking to others. Someday, she hopes to get into forensic science.

Teen B is equally attractive but more outgoing. She drinks for fun, because everyone else does. Should she leave a party sober. she'll think twice about who she'll ride home with. But, more often than not, she's drunk and doesn't think about whether the driver may have had a few too many. Her ambition is to be an actress or interior decorator.

Teen C sees drinking as the way to forget his problems. "When you're drunk, you don't give a fo?!?!oo." He wants to be a chef.

The kids gather at a table outside Moka House. From here, they can watch their friends do wheelies, while drinking coffee and sharing cigarettes. Adults for the most part ignore them. It's early to midafternoon and these grade eleven kids should be in school. But they're not.

They're bored. They bemoan the fact that everything shuts down so early. They wish Salt Spring had an ice rink, indoor pool and, more importantly, a pool hall that was youth-friendly. The one project they praise is the disc golf course at Mouat Park.

We talk about drinking and driving. I ask them to imagine that next weekend, two of them are killed in a car accident. How would their parents feel? The response is immediate.

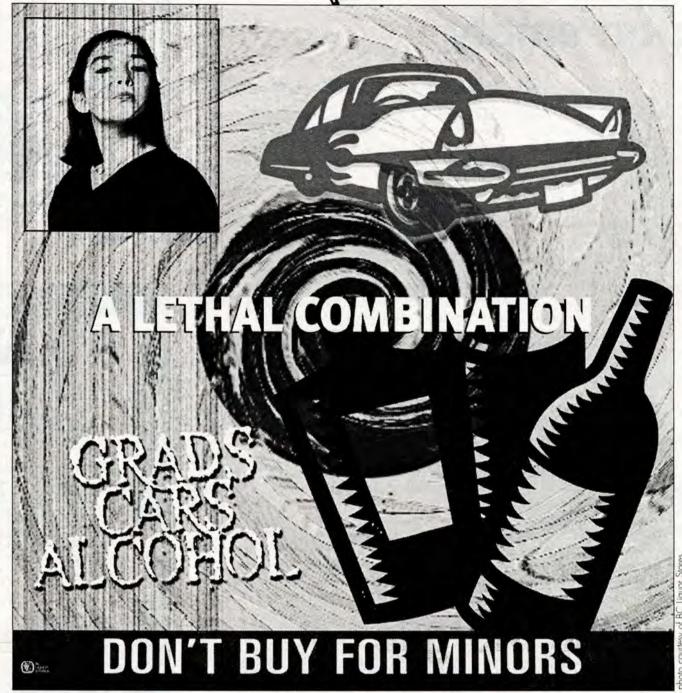
"It would kill my mother, "said one. "My parents

would be shattered," said another. The kids are clearly horrified at the thought.

According to the recent McCreary Centre Report for the Capital Regional District, 39 per cent of students who are licensed drivers have at some time driven after drinking and or using drugs. At least 14 per cent of students surveyed have driven a car after using alcohol in the past month. One in five students reported riding with a driver who had been drinking in the past month.

Sergeant Paul Darbyshire suggests one of the best ways parents can help kids get home safe from a party is to enforce the "No Questions Asked" rule. It allows a teen to call home at anytime and ask for a ride without being subject to criticism that night. Only in the morning, when both parties are in a better frame of mind, can the issue then be addressed. The solution is a good one provided a phone and a parent are readily available.

For Darbyshire and his staff, the Easter long weekend with its series of incidents involving teens and alcohol in the Beddis Road area was the beginning of summer. With one constable on long term sick leave and another position vacant, Darbyshire has his hands full just trying to keep a lid on criminal activities, leaving no time for pro-



Alcohol and Attitudes

Teens at risk, part II

active issues. He estimates approximately 75 per cent of police time is spent on youth-related incidents. Darbyshire sees inappropriate behaviour of teens as a community issue, not just an enforcement issue. "For Salt Spring youths, drinking underage in a public place is almost a rite of passage," Darbyshire said.

Richard Kerr and Myranda O'Byrne recently completed a needs assessment on youth for the SSI Crime Prevention Association. Kerr was startled to discover that kids as young as 12 and 13 years are drinking. A fact that also disturbs O'Byrne, who worries that not enough is known about the possible physiological effects of alcohol abuse on developing bodies. Both consultants acknowledge that lots of parents do care and that lots of teens are good kids. But they also feel there are other parents who are too tolerant, who think that just because they drank in their youth, they have to let their kids do the same.

Melanie Iwanow, a Drug & Alcohol Counselor on Salt Spring for more than four years, cautions that 12 and 13year-olds who are drinking have little knowledge of personal tolerance levels. Because drinking for minors is generally a covert activity, there is little control.

"Everyone's body is different; what one person can toler-

ant may be different to what their friend can stand," said Iwanow.

Parents need to recognize that alcohol and drugs are a factor on this Island and prepare their kids on how to deal with the issues before they crop up. They may have one set of rules in their house, but in another household, the rules may be completely different. Iwanow encourages parents to get to know their kids' friends.

Irene Wright, coordinator for the Community Justice Programme sees alcohol and drug use as a cultural issue, one that needs to be addressed in a sociological fashion. She points out that our society is quick to offer a drink the minute a guest arrives, a pattern that may need rethinking. Kids often try to con parents into giving them more freedom by complaining that their parents don't trust them. For Wright, it's not a matter of trust, but rather a matter of taking responsibility until the kids are of age.

So just how do minors get alcohol on Salt Spring? According to Mike Still, Manager of the Ganges Liquor Store, they get kids coming in on a daily basis to buy alcohol, if the kids can produce legitimate identification and are not intoxicated (the same guideline applies to adults) they will be served. If they can't produce the ID, they will be asked to leave. Should an adult be spotted buying liquor for kids, they will be banned from the liquor store for three to six months or possibly longer, depending on the severity of the situation. In the past nine months, three individuals have been banned. Still's advice to minors and adults is; "Be aware of the

penalties. If you're caught, you will be charged. There is no leeway when it comes to the government."

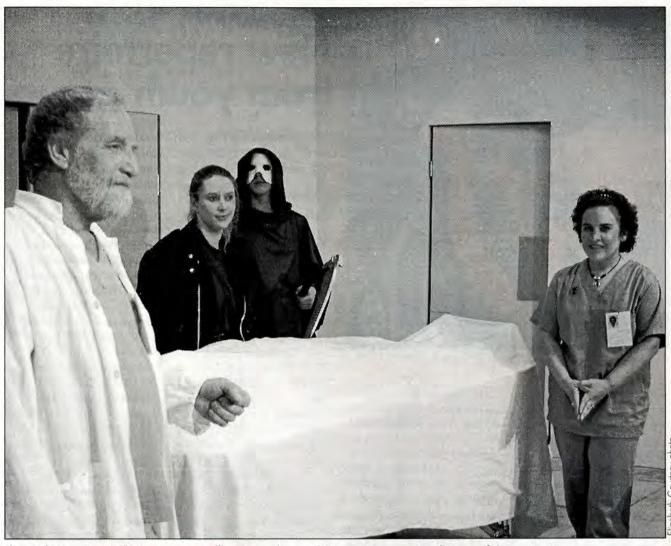
According to Ann Ringheim, Manager of the Harbour House, almost every night, someone comes into the Cold Beer & Wine Store trying to buy alcohol without the proper identification. Fortunately all the staff have completed the Serve It Right course and know to refuse alcohol to youths who cannot produce the correct ID. A closed circuit camera also helps ensure that no illegal sales take place. Minors are also not allowed to hang around outside the store. Should an adult with a vehicle of kids try to buy liquor, the adult may be refused. In the past, the store had problems with two people that were buying alcohol for minors but that has been cleared up.

Sergeant Darbyshire and others who are working on the issue recognize that kids want to be together, that they need to socialize. What our community needs to do is find safe places where kids can get together. A meeting Thursday, May 11 at the Core Inn worked on identifying possible safe locations for alcohol and drug free events that would appeal to youth. A follow-up meeting is planned for May 31, at 7 p.m. Interested teens, parents and adults are encouraged to attend.

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(from Left) Rusty Marshall, Lottie Fast, Geoffrey J. Davidson and Marnée Beauvais are the cast of Vigour Mortis.

Vigour Mortis:

A Night at the Morgue

by Elizabeth Courtney

Advice to a young playwright—save some of your brilliant ideas for your next play.

Bitten by the bug as you are, there's bound to be many more where this one came from, and stuffing all your literary references, best jokes and arcane allusions into one play seriously threatens the life of your characters.

That aside, Erin Butler has assembled a credible cast and excellent backstage support for his first produced play, and it was a pity there wasn't a larger audience for this alternately funny, clever and thoughtful riff on painfully familiar themes—divorced parents, disastrous school experiences and alienated youth, all seen from the perspective of the newly dead, the just bereaved and the figures who assist them (or try to) through the passage.

As a writer whom the education system appears to have failed, one can't help but be impressed by Butler's self-education in matters literary, and sheer moxy in putting on what is obviously an autobiographical play in his own home-town. His best writing is in the character of Sam, well played by Lottie Fast, doing a good job with the confusion of death and the hair trigger hurt and cockiness of youth. More difficult is Rusty Turner's role as the father—the writing removes him in long cerebral stretches from the emotional reality of sitting next to his daughter in the morgue, making the character hard to sustain. There are moments of genuinely poetic writing, however, in which both he and his daughter leap to a poignant, fragile life. The other two characters are a Bergmanesque Death figure, a little too wordy for Geoffrey Davidson to handle, and a very effectively realized angel/intern played by Marnée Beauvais. The action is occasionally illuminated by astonishingly large and vivid masks adding, to my mind, more to the therapeutic than the dramatic dimensions of the production.

There is much to recommend this play, and with some serious cutting, Vigour Mortis should do very well in the Victoria Fringe Festival. A young audience will be less disturbed by the thinness of the father's character and the conceptual nature of Death and the Angel-in fact, probably delighted. For the rest of us, we just might be in on the early work of another Shakespeare. Meanwhile, we also have the opportunity to see the late work of one of our century's genius in Samuel Butler's Happy Days at ArtSpring this week, while Vigour Mortis continues at Mahon Hall.

Community choir sings for land acquisition The Allegra Singers, a 50 ances. The choir's audi- from participating in multi- Santas Anonymous, Project

from Victoria, are coming to Salt Spring to perform a spirited repertoire featuring classical, folk, modern and jazz favourites in celebration of the year 2000.

The choir emphasizes fun and entertainment while touching their audiences. Over the past four years, they have become known as an accomplished community choir that delivers toetapping, rousing perform-

voice community choir ences, which have grown choir events to raise funds Literacy Victoria, Canadian considerably since the Allegra Singers' beginnings, have invariably commented on their capacity for conveying the joy of music, friendship and community.

community Indeed, involvement is an integral part of their group spirit. Their performances have included collaborations with local musical groups and school choirs, as well as benefits large and small,

for music in education, to Christmas carol singing at retirement and specialneeds homes. Each of their two annual concert series in Victoria includes a Sunday benefit concert, which helps to showcase and support the work of another community agency. In four years they have forged links and provided funds to such groups as Victoria Hospice, Victoria Transition House,

Guide Dogs for the Blind, the Vancouver Island MS Society and the Alzheimer's Society of B.C. This year, proceeds from the Spring Tour 2000 to Salt Spring will be donated to the Land Conservancy of B.C.

Allegra Singers will perform at 8 p.m., May 20, at All Saints. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for seniors, available at Acoustic Planet Music or at the door.

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SALT SPRING ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE **APPOINTMENTS** TO THE ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee (SSILTC) is now receiving applications from interested citizens to fill vacancies on the Salt Spring Island Advisory Planning Commission (APC) and the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC). These appointments will run until June 1, 2001, and may be extended for a further 2-year term at that time. All applicants must be electors of the Local Trust Committee, and also must be residents of the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee Area.

The purpose of the APC is to advise on all matters referred to it by the SSILTC respecting land use, community planning, or proposed bylaws and permits. The AAC has been established to advise the SSILTC on agricultural issues affecting the community. Further information regarding the roles of the APC and AAC may be obtained at the Ganges office of the Islands Trust.

Citizens interested in participating on these committees are invited to apply in writing before June 9, 2000. Applications must include a statement of interest and relevant experience and qualifications, and should be addressed to:

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Musical journey with Singers

By Peggy Abrahams

Audiences at Artspring were taken on a musical journey through the British Isles—with a brief excursion to Italy-last weekend when the Salt Spring Singers presented Now is the month of Maying. Featuring delightfully memorable guest performances by CANTUS Singers and the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) choir, the evening's selections also took the audience travelling through time, with music by composers from the Renaissance to the present.

With the female vocalists resplendent in their colorful vests, the Salt Spring Singers were pleasing to the eye as well as the ear. The group (I counted 70 singers) presented a polished, clearly wellrehearsed performance, leading off with two beautiful madrigals composed by Thomas Morley.

The second madrigal, April is my Mistress' Face, the story of unrequited love, was richly harmonized in round. The audience also was treated to a taste of the popular dance musical River Dance with the piece Home and the Heartland, composed by Bill Whelan. This song featured a solo by Emily Roop, in her last season with the Salt Spring Singers.

From a sojourn in Ireland, with the touching Danny Boy, the programme visited Scotland with the melodious Westering Home which began with the sound of bagpipes in the distance, played by Cliff Mills. The Scottish folk song, Ye Banks and Braes, was one of my favorite selections, featuring the charming poetry of Robbie Burns, "He stole the rose but he left the thorn with me."

After this set, CANTUS Early Music Singers took the stage. This group of 12 singers has charismatic stage presence and singing style. Seemingly self-conducted, the eight female and four male vocalists communicate on stage by eye contact, while swaying with subtle grace to their music.

The first of four madrigals, Renaissance Four Arms, Two Necks, One Wreathing, was written by composer Thomas Weekes. This piece, per-formed delightfully by CANTUS, is a slow passionate love song about the closeness and entwining of two lovers.

CANTUS tackled a much more complex and lengthy madigal, Weep, Weep, Mine Eyes, by John Wilbye. The song deals with the Greek myth of the death by drowning of Hero, who was in love with Aphrodite. The final song in their set, Fair Phyllis I Saw, by John Farmer, was introduced as, "a quick jolly song about love and sex." This amusing and ribald piece had a refrain with the suggestive words, "Up and down, up and down."

The GISS choir, conducted by Bruce Smith, sang three



Preparing for the Month of Maying, SS Singers (from left) Cliff Mills, Paul Verville, Emily Roop and Wendy Milton.

elegantly arranged songs. As is typical for the innovative Smith, his selections are far from typical. The first, the delightful Eriskay Love Lilt by Simon Carington, featured solos by Sandy Curtis and Korena Vine. A most unusual rendition of Loch Lomond followed, with solos by the two clear sweet voices of Vine and Christina Walls.

In a breathtaking finale, this talented and relatively new high school choir gave an inspired performance of the eight-part a cappella Crucifix, by Antonio Lotto. Smith apologized to the audience for presenting a selection by an Italian composer, a departure from the evening's theme, "Music from the British Isles." He needn't have apologized. What followed, a challenging and complex piece, was captivating. Smith has accomplished great things in his two years at the high school.

Highlights of the second set by Salt Spring Singers included The Water is Wide, a lovely three part arrangement, and the lyrical moving Gaelic Blessing composed by John Rutter, with words adapted from an old Gaelic rune. The Ash Grove, a Welsh folk song, was resuscitated from a 1728 production of the Beggars Opera where it appeared as, Cease your funning.

From a lake in Scotland to an ash grove in Wales, the evening rambled through the British Isles, and as far as Italy on a delightful side trip. The Welsh Lullaby was a fitting ending to the evening's itinerary of song.

This was the last production of Salt Spring Singers to be conducted by musical director Wendy Milton. Smith will take over as director of the group next fall. It will be most interesting to watch what comes out of this group then.

Dancestreams, May 21

New repertoire from youth group

A talented group of youths aged 13 to 19 years will perform at ArtSpring on Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m. Dancestreams Youth Dance Company will present their show Dance Across the Waters 2000 featuring the work of several award winning choreographers.

Dancestreams is a preprofessional youth company including dancers from all over Vancouver Island. The 13 to 19-year-olds train in their home studios but come together every Sunday in Parksville for six hours of additional training and rehearsals. These are some of the most dedicated and talented young dancers on Vancouver Island. Many have gone on to professional careers in dance to such places as the English National Ballet, National Ballet School Teacher Training, York University, Laine Theatre (London), Ryerson, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre School, S.F.U. Dance, L'Ecole Superieur de Danse and others.

Choreography Dancestreams is all commissioned from some of Canada's most outstanding professionals. The chance to work with these professionals in a highly demanding and exacting environment is what draws these young people to give up their Sundays and drive from all over the central Island to rehearse together. The Company regularly tours Vancouver Island, the Gulf Islands and Lower Mainland to perform, and has been as far afield as China and Los Angeles, where they have received rave reviews. Additionally, Dancestreams performs special educational programmes for students in both public and private schools.

This show features all new repertoire since the company last performed in the North Island, including an explosive new work (modern jazz) by choreographer/dancer Lynn Sheppard of Vancouver, a breathtakingly beautiful contemporary ballet by Wen-Wei Wang, and the wildly entertaining new piece by Joe Laughlin entitled In the Nature of Things. In this piece, the dancers morph into many of the animals found coastal British in Columbia. Light and humorous, this will have the entire audience laughing, whether you are a child of five or 50!

Any serious dancer considering a career in dance will want to see this Dancestreams show, and perhaps be inspired to audition! Everyone who enjoys dance will love this programme of ballet, jazz, modern, and contemporary dance.

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Grooving to Shilo's Welcome to Bedspring Island

by Peggy Abrahams

Fans of the Salt Spring Hysterical Society in general, and Shilo Zylbergold in particular, will be delighted that a collection of Zylbergold's memorable songs have now been preserved for perpetuity (as conservationists like to say). His newly released CD, Welcome to Bedspring Island, features wellloved classics like Rita's, Queen

of Nanaimo and These 537-653. are songs that distill the essence of Island life, from gumboots to broken down ferries, in irreverent word and playful melody.

Skillful arrangement by Ramesh Meyers, who also plays guitar, bass and keyboard on the CD, is most noteworthy in the first track, 537-653. One of the

CD highlights, this song explores the vast polarization between the inhabitants of Salt Spring's north and south ends, as signified by the different phone exchanges. This track features the fitting flourish of a fiddle, played by Jaime Rokeby-Thomas.

Centle female vocals by the Doo-Wops-Jane Godall, Rae-Anne Huth, Lesley Kimber and Daphne Taylor—are just the right touch for the pivotal chorus, "Her hair said 537, yes her smile said 537, her lips said 537, but her gumboots said 653."

The lyrical and folksy song Queen of Nanaimo is another highlight on the CD. The song bemoans the phasing out of the old ferries. "Time's running out for the Queen of yesterday... they'll never replace the spirit or the heart of the Queen of Nanaimo we know." Fine drumming by Doug Rhodes ripples through the track and in another, Dave's Song.

Perhaps best categorized as folk, the CD concocts its own a particular blend, straying into other styles and genres. Rita's, one of the best tracks on the CD, has a West Indian Sound. Queen of the Diner has a country twang, and Ego Amigo veers into a Latin rhythm. Mark Vanderwerf plays a strong lead guitar on Queen of the Diner,

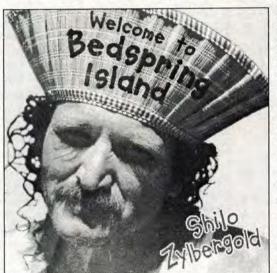
but Zylbergold's vocals may have had more room if the background laughter and talking had been downplayed.

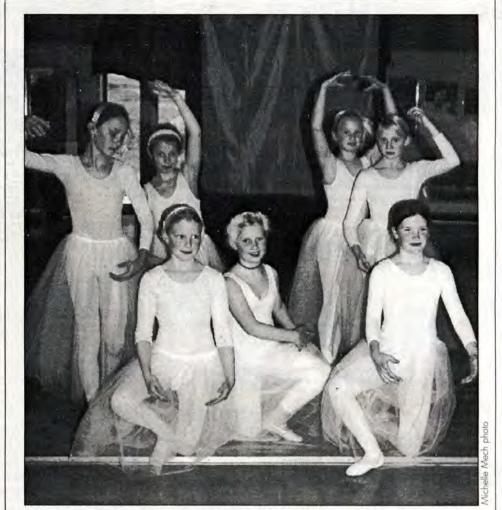
The web page promoting the CD describes it as "a collection of ten original songs, which celebrate the quirks of west coast life." But in this, his first CD, Zylbergold takes a much deeper look at life beyond west

coast quirks. Themes like mid-life crisis, inner struggle, love and prejudice are all explored with lighthearted humour. As the web page says, "You'll laugh, you'll cry... well, probably, you'll just laugh."

In other pertinent background information gleaned from the web page, "Shilo has been playing his music live on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands for years, accompanying himself on the baritone ukelele, (he's one of only nine humans over the age of ten who play the ukelele) harmonica and kazoo."

For more information, visit the web page at http://salt-spring.bc.ca/howlingmoon/





HAPPY FEET— Petit Cygnettes, performed by Sue Newman's nine and up ballet class, was one of a variety of numbers performed during last Thursday's Happy Feet Spring 2000 dance recital. The recital capped off a second successful season of Dance with Sue Newman. More than 40 dancers, from young children to adults, performed tap, ballet and creative dances demonstrating some of what they had learned during their fall and spring lessons.



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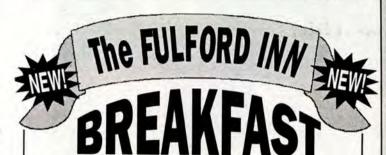


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MAY 16-28

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very hard to come by set of albums which deconstructs

traditional melody and rhythm, basically making music

out of noise-specifically machine generated noise. It

might serve to remind me, if I get a chance to leave the

Fellow castaway: "Thor Heyerdahl. He could help build

the get-away boat. He seems like a fascinating character, and any escapade needs a good escape route built into it!"

desert island, just what I'd be returning to."

This week's castaway is Erin

Butler, writer and director of

Vigour Mortis playing at Mahon Hall

this week. A young man who has

spent all but five years of his life on

SaltSpring, he now lives here with

his wife Jenny Bradford. He dreams

of building a Globe Theatre in

Saanich one day, true to the original



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Diana Dean: Paintings Talon's Roasting Company **Judy Weedon: Ceramics**

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THESDAY **MAY 16**

Toy Library Beaver Pt. Hall. 9-10am house & registration. 9:30-11:30am Storytime for Little Ones

Toni Onley Vortex Gallery Spring Show Ewart Gallery Trees ASA Group Show. ArtSpring lobby.

Stefanie Denz Moby's Pub Basketry. Pegasus Gallery

Joe Benge: Photographs Luigi's Margot Chisolm Sweet Arts Café Glenda Peterson; Bud Hnetka

Soup's On Free soup and sandwich. All Saints'. 11:30-1pm

Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9am Fulford & GISS Gym. 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY **MAY 17**

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre. Mahon Hall. 8pm Wednesday Night Live

Open Stage. Moby's Pub. 9pm Argentinian Tango Practice. Lions' Hall. 7:30pm

Centering Prayer Contemplative Centre. 7:30am.

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S. End Centering Prayer St. Mary's Fulford. I lam **BCSS/NAMI** Mental Illness

Education, All Saints', 7pm **Environmental Stewardship** SSI Conservancy. Fulford Hall.

Dog Obedience Central Hall. 7pm

Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall, 9am

Step into Shape All Saints.

Yoga SS Centre. 10am Soccer Co-ed Drop-in Portlock. 2pm Circuit Challenge

Fulford Gym. 6:30pm



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MONDAY **MAY 22**

Storytime West of the Moon, 10am

The Barley Bros Moby's Pub. 5pm Stephen Glanville

Classical Guitar. Tree House Café. 6:30-9pm

Midnight Café Acoustic Jam. Rose's Cafe. 7pm

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

Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9am Step into Shape All Saints. 9am

Yoga SS Centre. 9am Circuit Challenge

Fulford Gym. 6:30pm 28 Days 7:30pm

Storytime for Little Ones Library. 10am

Tierra Dei Sol Dance ArtSpring. 8pm

Soup's On Free soup and sandwich. All

Saints'.11:30-1pm SSI Paddlers

Capsizing. United Church Hall. 7.30pm.

MedicAlert information session Pharmasave uptown. 11am-3pm

Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9am

Volleyball Fulford & GISS Gym. 7:30pm 28 days 7pm

Boys Don't Cry 9pm

WEDNESDAY MAY 24

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre. Mahon Hall. 8pm

Argentinian Tango Practice. Lions' Hall. 7:30pm Tierra Del Sol Dance

ArtSpring. 8pm Centering Prayer

Contemplative Centre. 7:30am. S. End Centering Prayer

St. Mary's Fulford. I lam Adult Guardianship Lawyer Jim Pasuta. Senior Services Soc. 2pm

SSI Garden Club Integrated Pest Management. Meaden Hall. 7pm

BCSS/NAMI Mental Illness Education. All Saints'. 7pm

Dog Obedience Central Hall. 7pm

Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9am

Step into Shape All Saints. 9am

Yoga SS Centre. 10am Soccer Co-ed Drop-in

Portlock. 2pm Circuit Challenge Fulford Gym. 6:30pm

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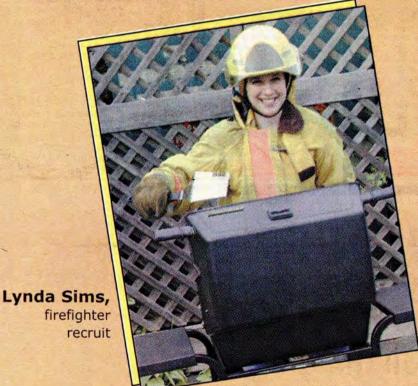
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Happy Days by Samuel Beckett Active PASS. ArtSpring. 8pm

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre, Mahon Hall. 8pm Sing Along Group Seniors' Bldg. 2pm Open Stage Evening Tree House Café

Salty Wheels Square Dancing Central Hall. 7pm

Fibrations Fibre Art. ArtSpring Gallery Community Meditation United Church. 11:30am

Open Garden Featuring Iris. 185 Furness Rd. Spinners and Weavers ArtSpring. 10:30am Bir.go Meaden Hall. 7pm. Early Bird 6:30pm.

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Pre Natal Class CHR Health Offices. 5-7pm Flexible Strength All Saints'. 9am

Yoga SS Centre 4pm Volleyball Fulford Gym. 7pm

Badminton Club GISS gym. 8pm

MAY 19

Happy Days by Samuel Active PASS. ArtSpring. 8pm Vigour Mortis Biting Hands

Open Stage Rose's Cafe. Fulford Harbour. 7pm **Derek Duffy & Friends** Tree House Café. 8pm

Sunyata Moby's Birthday Bash

Kumbia-Latin Dance Beaver Point Hall. Lesson 8pm. Dance 9pm Fibrations Fibre Art. ArtSpring Gallery

Wisdom Circle United Church. 7:30pm

Open Garden Featuring Iris. 185 Furness Rd.

Afterlife Survival Demonstration with Mediums. Masonic Hall.7pm

Ease into Fitness Mahon Hall. 9am Step into Shape All Saints. 9am

28 Days 7pm Boys Don't Cry 9pm

MAY 20

Fabulous Barn Sale Tuned Air Fundraiser, 152 McPhillips Ave. 9am-2pm

Beckett

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre, Mahon

Song Writers Festival Tree House Café. I Iam-6pm

Brent Streeper Harbour House Lounge. 8pm

Featuring Iris. 185 Furness Rd. Order of the Eastern Star Bake Sale. 506 Lr. Ganges Rd. 9-12pm

Ashtanga Yoga Free. Salt Spring Centre. 9:30am

SUNDAY **MAY 21**

The Other **Brothers** Fulford Inn. 6-9pm Kelby McNayr Trio Dinner

Dance Streams VI Youth Dance Theatre. ArtSpring. 2pm Dance Across the Waters 2000

Evensong for Easter All Saints'. 4pm

Outdoor Market & Auction Fulford Inn. 9-4pm GLOSSI Monthly meeting SS Seniors'

Centre. 2pm **Badminton** Club GISS. 8pm

28 Days

Book Sale Theatre. Mahon Hall. 8pm Library. 10am-1pm Happy Days by Samuel

Active PASS. ArtSpring. 8pm

Hall. 8pm

Sunyata Moby's Birthday Bash **Allegra Singers** Land Conservancy Benefit. All Saints'. 8pm

Open Garden

28 Days 7pm Boys Don't Cry

Jazz. Moby's 8pm

Choral

7:30pm

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THURSDAY

Story Time for 7-12 yrs. Public Library. 3pm

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre. Mahon Hall. 8pm

MAY 25

Sing Along Group Seniors' Bldg. 2pm

Salty Wheels Square Dancing Central Hall. 7pm

Community Meditation United Church. 11:30am

What is Wisdom?

Dr. Reynold Feldman. United Church. 8pm Open Garden

Featuring Iris. 185 Furness Rd. Spinners and Weavers ArtSpring. 10:30am MS Society Seniors' Building. 7pm

Composting Workshop Farmers Inst. Bldg. 7:30pm

Pre Natal Class

CHR Health Offices. 5-7pm Flexible Strength

All Saints', 9am Yoga SS Centre 4pm Volleyball Fulford Gym. 7pm Badminton Club GISS gym. 8pm

FRIDAY **MAY 26**

Vigour Mortis Biting Hands Theatre. Mahon Hall. 8pm

Open Stage Rose's Cafe. Fulford

Harbour. 7pm Wisdom of the **Elders** Chief Leonard

Goerge. Harbour House Hotel. 7:30pm Wisdom Workshops

Harbour House Hotel. 9am; I lam; 2pm

Open Garden Featuring Iris. 185 Furness Rd. SSI Equestrian Club

Elections. Farmers' Inst. Bldg. 7pm SSI Conservancy Environmental Steward-

ship. Lions' Hall. 7pm **Ease into Fitness** Mahon Hall. 9am Step into Shape All Saints. 9am

SATURDAY MAY 27

Library Book Sale Library. 10am-1pm Vigour Mortis

Mahon Hall. 8pm **Bandemonium** ArtSpring Brent Streeper Harbour House Lounge. 8pm

SSI Cultural Heroes Harbour House Hotel. 8pm Lee McColl Golf, Dinner & Dance Blackburn

Meadows & Fulford Hall. Tango (Milonga) Party Lions' Hall. 8-12am

Awakening the Gift of Wisdom Linda Kavelin Popov. HHHotel. 8:30am Open Garden Featuring

Iris. 185 Furness Rd. Herb Walk Educational tour. 271 Byron Rd. 10am

Ashtanga Yoga Free. Salt Spring Centre, 9:30am

SUNDAY **MAY 28**

SPCA Walkathon Duck Creek Park. Ham

Bandemonium ArtSpring. 2pm The Other **Brothers** Fulford Inn. 6-9pm

Outdoor Market & Auction Fulford Inn. 9-4pm

Badminton Club GISS gym. 8pm

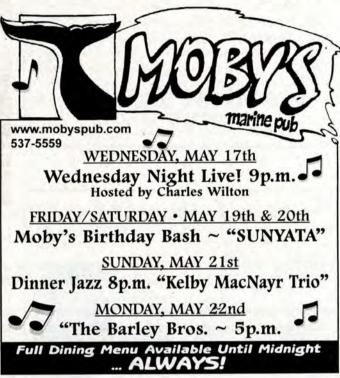
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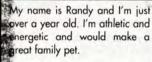
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Dr. Feldman, "Why in the World a World Wisdom Project?" Friday, May 26, 9:00 a.m. \$8.00

Chief Leonard George, "Wisdom of the Elders" Friday, May 26, 7:30 p.m. \$8.00

Linda Kavelin Popov, "Awakening the Gift of Wisdom" Saturday, May 27, 8:30 a.m. \$8.00

Workshops: May 26, Space Limited - Register by May 12

- "My Wisdom, Your Wisdom: Exploring the Sources of Self-Leadership" with Dr. Feldman. 11:00 a.m. \$20.00
- 'An Ancient Cosmology for the New Millennium with Salamah Pope, from Australia. 11:00 a.m. \$20.00
- *"What Does It Mean to be Human?" with anthropologist Salamah Pope. 2:00 p.m. \$20.00

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Lots to learn at Education Day

by Michelle Mech

Last Wednesday saw another successful Gulf Islands school district Education Day, approximately 350 attendees enjoying a varied menu of course offerings. This year's theme was communication, and Peter Norman kicked off the day with his keynote address, A Conversation Community. Norman, who is the South Vancouver Island Regional ordinator of Field Services with the Ministry of Education, spoke on how brain research shows the importance of teaching not only to the head (intellectual) part of the brain, but also to the heart (social) and hands (applied/practical) parts. He also talked about various levels of the education system that stem from the student and how important it is that they support each other.

Course participants from all five Islands included students, parents, CUPE members, teachers, trustees, administrators and community members. Glen Goring, one of the coordinators for Education Day, said, "The sessions were great, but the real power of the day is that the community of our schools do this together, not only by attending, but by building and presenting together as well."

One of the committee's concepts this year was to encourage and utilize our district's local expertise. So,



kites during Education Day.

while some of the presenters were from the mainland and Vancouver Island, 80 per cent were local, including Salt Spring Centre school. One of the day's evaluation sheets contained the comment "Great day. Nice to see so many presenters from our district. We have a lot of

talent here."

Another first for this year's Education Day was a session given by student presenters. GISS Grade 11 students Naomi Rittberg and Katy Simpson, presented Body Image Awareness and Disordered Eating. Other local presenters were teach-

ers, parents and administrators, offering courses that ranged from Theater for Adults to Study Skills and Effective Behaviour Systems. For fun, a group of children's sessions included instruction on gumboot dancing, acrylic painting and kite building.

May 23 info session

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Founded in 1961 by Halifax pediatrician Dr. Maureen Roberts, the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation is a registered

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Islanders can learn more about MedicAlert during an information session to be held Tuesday, May 23 at the Pharmasave uptown store from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. MedicAlert staff will be at the store to answer questions regarding membership and services.

Family: Beyond genetic links

by Jacqueline Thomas

My friend, who works for a prominent Canadian newspaper, wanted to interview me for her grandparent column. I had told her about the recent sadness in our family when a pregnancy did not work out. Because I had also remarked that this would have been my genetic grandchild (she knew I had two sons and a daughter, all in their thirties, none of whom had children) she wanted to interview me as a person without grandchildren-an area that she had not yet covered in her column. I was willing to be interviewed but I hastened to tell her that I did not consider myself to be a person without grandchildren. She listened a lot and asked questions but still it seemed to me that I was, in her eyes, a person without grandchildren-I do not know how it will transpire in her column. I have given it all a lot of thought and decided that I would like to tell my own story. Is that not why, for so many of us who write, the reason that we write?

I have two grandsons. They are the children of my husband's daughter (one of his three daughters) and are now 13 and 15 years old. I held them in my arms when they were only hours old; over the years we have spent a significant amount of time with them, with and without their parents. I have just talked to each of them on the phone-one of them for more than half an hour. I love them both; they love me; I am their granny. a great-grandchild posthu-It is an established relationship that I have every reason to believe will continue no matter what our ages or our situations. They have also known and loved both of their genetic grandmothers, one of whom has passed away. Nobody told them they were only allowed two grandmothers; I am Granny Jacqueline.

So am I deceiving myself? If I drew my family tree could I include my grandsons? My father died in England three years ago; he died at the age of 87 without great grandchildren. My grandsons, three thousand miles away, were never regarded as his great grandsons but if this recent pregnancy had come to fruition he would have had mously. If I never have genetic grandchildren my line will be seen to have died out—though this does not seem to be a great concern of mine.

I use the term genetic to describe biological offspring type relationships but, according to my science reference book, there is a one in three million chance (and of course a one in one for identical twins) that another individual could have exactly the same DNA profile as ourselves (is that as good as the lottery?). I also read somewhere that 97 per cent of human DNA is the same as that of the gorilla. Human offspring inherit half of their chromosomes (half of their genes, their DNA) from each biological parent but what I

cannot seem to find out is

grandchildren-whether they came from my husband's or my side of the

see Family p30

IODE Annual Fashion Show

Annual Fashion Show of the H.M.S Ganges chapter of the IODE took place Thursday, May 11 at the Harbour House. More than 100 women attended the luncheon and show which highlighted sportswear from the fashion of Nygard house International. The clothes modeled by local IODE members and friends were carefully chosen from the Bianca Nygard, Alia and Tan-Jay lines. Debra Chernoff of Victoria introduced each outfit.

The fashion show is an important fundraiser for the Ganges chapter of the IODE, which after 86 years is still going strong. It is the largest chapter in B.C. and during the last three years has donated more than \$17,000 to local organizations, schools and institutions.

The National organization of the IODE celebrated its 100th anniversary this year, announcing the goal of raising \$200,000 to help alleviate child abuse and neglect. More than 8,000 Canadian women belong to the organization and donate over 1,000,000 hours in volunteer service. More than \$3,000,000, in funds are raised each year for good works.



IODE member Victoria Woodman models at the Annual Fashion Show.

all in this together-homo sapiens and all that. I must, however, not deny that I understand the significance of close biological relationships and the implications these have for many. Now that our grandsons are teenagers we have no young children in our large extended family and I would love to have more

whether they inherit a quarter from each biological grandparent or whether this is an average and whether it might be anything from zero to a half. One of the definitions of biological relationships is that of common ancestry and of course we know that we are

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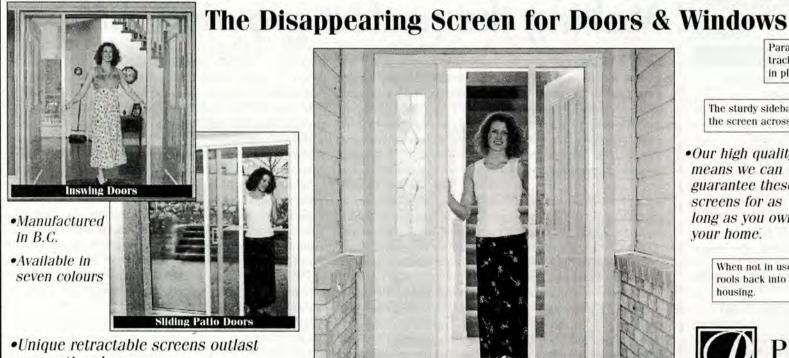
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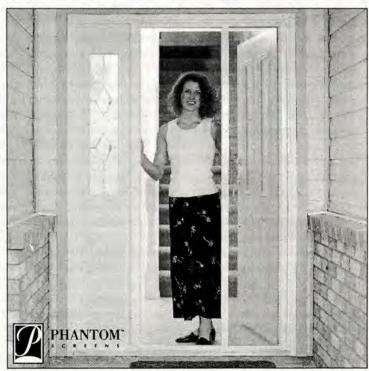
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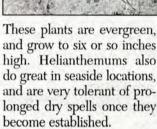
Much to choose from in ground covers life in the garden ... with Joe Clemente



There is a spectacular ground cover growing in town that has caught the attention of several gardeners. In front on the Visitor Information Centre on the parking lot side of the building you'll notice a very colourful low growing Aubrieta deltoidea. These plants are native to the Mediterranean region, and thrive in full sun. They are a fairly common plant in local gardens and bloom very well in early spring. Aubrieta is a low growing, mat-forming perennial that likes to grow in full sun. It is available in a few different colours, but purple cascade seems to be a real favourite.

Here are some more great

ground covers to look out for when you are at the nursery. Lithodora diffusa is another great perennial that is mostly evergreen in our climate. It produces beautiful blue flowers in May and June, and works well in rock gardens that are in full sun or partial shade. The one to look for is Grace Ward Lithodora. This is a very popular variety in the nursery trade. Helianthemum, or Sunrose, is a great ground cover for sunny dry areas of the garden. They are available in many different colours including pink, red, yellow and orange. They grow well on hot dry slopes or on the edges of rock walls.



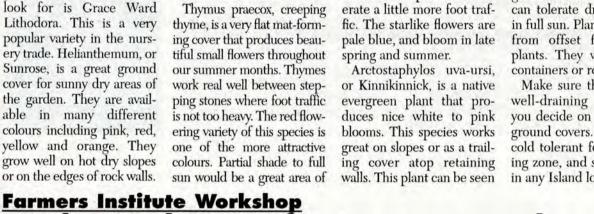
Thymus praecox, creeping

your rockery for this one.

Laurentia fluviatilis, or Blue Star Creeper, is another mat-forming ground cover that does well in rockeries or between stepping stones. This species can tolspring and summer.

growing as a ground cover between the Chamber of Commerce and the Firehall in Ganges. Sempervivum tectorum, or Hens & Chicks, is an excellent evergreen succulent plant that can tolerate dry conditions in full sun. Plants root easily from offset from parent plants. They work well in containers or rock gardens.

Make sure that you have well-draining soil before you decide on any of these ground covers. They are all cold tolerant for our growing zone, and should thrive in any Island location.



Making the perfect growing dirt

by T. J. Klokeid

Grow disease-resistant plants that produce healthy wholesome food! Sir Albert Howard described just such a method, which he called the Indore Process. In his book, Farming and Gardening For Health or Disease, he explained that his method "involves no patents, no special materials have to be sent for, and there is nothing secret about it The Indore Process...merely copies what goes on the floor of every wood and forest." Sir Albert continues: "The Indore Process accords with natural law in that it is equally successful in whatever type of farming or gardening it is applied. Nature has not different laws for her tropic, semi-tropic, temperate, or other zones, nor different principles for this soil or that." Sir Albert wrote these words in 1945, and nowadays we know the Indore Process as composting.

In Organic Gardener's Composting Steve Solomon explains, "The compost pile is a rapid method of changing crude organic materials into humus. Humus is a complex mixture of similar substances that vary according to the types of organic matter that decayed, and the environmental conditions and specific organisms that made the humus. All humus is brown or black, has a fine, crumbly texture, is very lightweight when dry, and smells like fresh earth. It is sponge-like, holding several times its weight in water. Like

clay, humus attracts plant nutrients like a magnet so they aren't so easily washed away by rain or irrigation. Then humus feeds nutrients back to plants."

In nature, the formation of humus is a slow and constant process that does not occur in a single step. Composting artificially accelerates the decomposition of crude organic matter and its recombination into humus. What in nature might take years we can make happen in weeks or months.

Solomon continues, "Compost-making is a simple process. Handling well-made compost is always a pleasant experience. There is no similarity between the goodsmelling brown or black crumbly substance dug out of a compost pile and the manure, garbage, leaves, grass clippings and other waste products from which it began."

The Islands Farmers Institute is sponsoring a workshop on composting for beginners and experienced alike. The resource persons include Geoff Johnson, from the Victoria Compost Education Centre, and local composter Len Wallbank. For more information on the workshop, please phone 537-4398. The workshop will be held at the Farmers Institute Building on Thursday, May 25 with tea and coffee served at 7 p.m. and the workshop starting at 7:30 sharp. Participation is \$5 for non-members and free to members of the Islands Farmers Institute.

living well

Family heads east Let's eat ... with Linda Koroscil



I've been asked for a Beddis Family Tree to help with these stories. It's a bit confusing, what with such a large family, so here's a simplified version.

After living in Kamloops for several years, Lionel Beddis decided to return to Salt Spring in 1911

where he purchased some 33 acres adjoining his childhood home, the Wilderness. The price was \$1,550. A house was soon built, with the help of brother Charles—\$810 for materials, \$545 in wages. Charles was a master carpenter, not only building on Salt Spring, but in other parts of B.C and Washington State as well. In 1913, he was commissioned by a wealthy Irishman to build a house near the Divide School on Blackburn Road. As luck would have it (bad luck in this case), the dastardly cad fled back to Ireland, leaving Charles unpaid and the house unfinished. (There it stood until 1943, when, at the request of the B.C. Government, Charles, then 70 years of age, finished it to be used as a rehabilitation centre.) So, deciding to leave the Island, Charles returned to the Yukon in 1914. He landed a job as ship's carpenter and mate on a stern wheeler riverboat.

Meanwhile, back on Salt Spring, Ruth gave birth to their last child, Sam, in 1914. Irene, older by eight years, remembered being whisked away by her grandma Emily Beddis in their boat on a trip to buy a new dress. Childbirth was not a subject of discussion for children in those days, so my mother told me. She asked Auntie Decie once where she came from, to which the reply came, "Why from under a cabbage leaf, of course!"

During the following summer, the family moved to Manitoba for a short time while Lionel apprenticed as a steam engineer. Mother Ruth and the four children stayed

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with her family at the Grover's farm. Everyone was put to work-Almer helped his grandfather with the horses, Irene ironed the multitude of clothes with the flat irons which were heated on the wood stove, while mother Ruth took care of the other children and the endless cooking and cleaning. Grandfather Grover squired everyone to church on Sunday while Grandma Phoebe stayed home with the babies. Irene recalled, with delight, that she and brother Almer had ridden the big farm horses down the lilac-flanked driveway of the farm during that happy summer. Lionel and Ruth and family finally returned home to Salt Spring and resumed life on the farm.

Corn Fritters

1-1/4 cups flour

1-1/2 tsp. baking powder 1 can kernel corn salt and pepper 1/2 cup olive oil for frying 1 can creamed corn 1/2 cup milk 2 eggs, lightly beaten 2 thsp. chopped chives

Make a well in the bowl into which flour and baking powder have been sifted. Add rest of ingredients all at once and inix. Drop by heaped spoonfuls into hot oil in frying pan; flatten slightly. Cook until golden, turn, drain on paper towel. I love these served with some of my favourite meat, pork or chicken, along with my favourite potatoes-garlic mashed.

The new guardianship act

Seniors Scene ... with Alan Fairlie



Of great interest to seniors, their families and care-givers will be the talk by lawyer Jim Pasuta on

Wednesday, May 24, 2:00 p.m., at Seniors Services. His topic will be powers of attorney, based on new legislation passed by the provincial government on February 28, 2000.

Although the buzz word is adult guardianship, Jim will focus on the old power of attorney act of B.C. and the new changes contained in the "Representation Agreement Act." Jim attended an eight hour video in Nanaimo and hopes to cover the high points in 30-45 minutes, and then answer questions!

This programme is an EXTRA presentation this month, in addition to the regular gettogether on the last Wednesday of the month.

At the regular meeting of seniors on Wednesday, May 31, the speaker is Mary Mackie, who will describe her 1999 visit to Australia. She

calls it her dream-of-a-lifetime journey, one that took her to many major cities such as Sydney, Canberra, Adelaide and Perth and also off the beaten track to Alice Springs and Uluru, etc. She covered about 13,000 km in 15 days!

Staying in youth hostels, the 72-year-old traveler found she could afford the trip to the Land-Down-Under. She paid about \$12 to \$18 (Australian) a night.

"The warm climate lends itself to eating outdoors," says Mary, who went there to visit her son and grandson.

There is currently a heat wave in Toronto with temperatures reading 30°C. So, at least for some, summer has arrived early in the east!

Notice

Special General Meeting at S.S. Seniors Centre Wednesday, May 3l at 10:30 a.m. (PROMPT!) To consider a motion proposed and seconded at the A.G.M. to donate \$15,000 to G.I.S.R.A.



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Tennis Open House serves ace

There is a lot of new exciting action being served up on local tennis courts this summer! If you drove past Portlock Park on Saturday morning, you will have noticed that the courts were full of activity with kids and adults playing tennis. The Salt Spring Tennis Association, Tennis BC and PARC teamed up for the first ever Tennis Free-for-All Open House.

Event coordinator, Peter Lamb, offered two morning sessions of tennis instruction and games. Kids aged four through 12 years eagerly ran onto the courts to learn how to play tennis. Even the parents that came to drop off their kids joined in the action. There were free racquets to use, and



plenty of enthusiastic SSTA volunteers to play with. PARC donated prizes for the participants, and there was free juice, muffins and cookies to rejuvenate the young tennis players.

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Jasper Smith, an enthusiastic seven-year-old walked up and grabbed his tennis racquet like a baseball bat. Within seconds, Jasper was hitting tennis balls over the net harder than any grunting professional on the protour! On the next court, his four-year-old sister was

receiving her first tennis tips from SSTA's Susan Russell.

This season there is a new Wednesday Junior Drop-In. Junior players of all levels are invited to drop by the courts to play tennis with other kids and SSTA volunteers every Wednesday see Tennis v25

Ladies brave bad weather

The golfing ladies have braved the cold on Ladies Day the last few weeks. The winners of the two week Eclectic were Dee Hooton

with a Low Gross 91 followed by Jennie Mac-Donnell with a 93. Grace Murchie won the Low Net with 65 and Bev Menzies was runner-up with a 68.

On May 9 Melanie Iverson had a fine 91 for Low Gross and Dee Hooten was second with 95. Low Net was won by Grace Murchie with 73 and Jennie MacDonnell with 75. Grace won the puttpot with 27 putts. Congrats to all the winners.

Lee McColl Golf Challenge

On the green for Darin Craig

by Rob McMahon

Island golfers have the opportunity to tee off to help Darin Craig at the 4th Annual Lee McColl Golf Challenge. The event, which is being held on Saturday, May 27 and is sponsered by McColl's Shell, will generate funds to help Craig with medical treatment for his

condition (Craig has a brain tumor). The Challenge will take place at Blackburn Meadows, and tee-off times are at 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Following the golfing, participants can head to Fulford Hall for a lamb, beef, salmon and turkey dinner, graciously prepared by Merv and Carol Waldie, fol-

lowed by a dance. Music will be provided courtesy of John Hannah, who has played with Bryan Adams, and Brenda Hanna, who has recently finished touring and recording a CD. The duo will perform songs "from Bach to rock...anything people want to hear," said McColl

Includes games of Saturday,

Begun four years ago on organizer Lee McColl's 50th birthday, proceeds from previous tournaments have assisted the Heart and Stroke Foundation and Fulford Hall. This year the funds will go to Darin Craig. Craig has been fighting to gain landed immigrant status denied him on the grounds that his medical condition would place undue strain on Canada's medical system. Recently Craig was granted a 12month Minister's Permit, which enables him to travel outside of Canada without having to face the possibility of being denied reentry.

Tickets for the Lee McColl Golf Challenge are available at McColl's Shell and Loomis Depot, and cost \$35 for golf, dinner, and dance, or \$20 for only the dinner and dance. Tickets are limited, so participants are urged to purchase early.

Sports Pool ... with Terry Stringer

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9	Buffalo	41	5	18	Washington	22	1								

Round the clock

by Rob McMahon

Time to dust off the charts, rig up the sails and polish the decks—the Sailing Club's 26th annual Round Salt Spring race will be under way soon. On May 20, from 10 a.m. until early Sunday morning, sailboats over 20 feet will be seen navigating the Island in the 42 nautical mile race.

This year the race will run clockwise, (most years are anticlockwise) so the tides at Samsum Narrows and Southey Point don't thwart anyone. To date 49 boats are registered. Organizer Kevin Vine expects that number to rise to close to the average of 75 (the maximum this year).

The race began 26 years ago by Marshall Sharp of the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club. In its early days it was an invitation race around the Island with the starting point in Ganges Harbour. Since then it has grown to international stature (last year Something Special from Seattle won the race) and, because the average size of boats entered has grown from 40 feet to the high end of the 70s, the race now starts further out in the bay. The record for the race was set in 1998 by Lawn Dart, at 7 hours and 34 minutes.

For spectators, the best vantage points are the Government Dock in Ganges for the beginning (from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Saturday morning), and later at Beaver Point, Mount Maxwell and, while sipping a late afternoon beer, at Vesuvius Pub.

Competing in the race costs \$50, and includes a collector's mug and place at the Friday night chili cook-off—a social just for the racers which in the past has fed an average of 300 to 400 people.

The three categories in the race are mono-hull (standard sailboats), multi-hull (catamarans and trimarans), and one-design (used if there are enough mono-hull or multi-hull boats of the same kind to

make a class). As well, what organizer Kevin Vine described as "great and healthy rivalry" will take place between competing clubs. Vine explained a club can put together a team of three boats to race against another club's team, with results being taken from their combined finishes.

Prizes consist of trophies and pottery by Meg Buckley for the three divisions winners, (organized by categories such as size, lightness of the boat and size of the sails); all entrants will be assigned handicaps depending on the type of boat used in the race.

"There was a huge response from the community, offering prizes from paintings to accommodations...the community really supported the race," said Vine.

A draw including the name of everyone who finishes the race will also be held. The prize drawn will be two personal flotation devices (PFDs). The inflatable PFDs are the most comfortable Vine said he's ever seen and look like bicycle inner tubes that inflate only when a wearer hits the water.

Before the race a chili cookoff (for racers only), with entertainment by Salt Spring's Swing Shift will be held. Following the race will be a Lamb Barbecue on Sunday, which is "operating on a prepaid ticket basis." Non-racers are invited to purchase tickets for \$10. The barbecue is being held at the foot of Douglas Road, off Beddis. The event begins at 12 noon (along with the awards ceremony) and the food is dished out at 1 p.m. Info and entry forms are available on the Internet at www.newbasics.net/rsi.

In the past, organizers have typically cooked up chili for 300 to 400 participants. This year they urge everyone to register for the race early—so they can calculate the amount of chili to prepare.

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from 3 to 5 p.m. Peter sees this new free Junior Drop-In as a way to fill the void in tennis programmes on the Island.

Another new initiative is the Tennis BC programme for elementary kids. The SSTA is coordinating with local schools to launch the programme this fall. The programme provides smaller Wilson racquets and foam balls that are easier to manage and more fun for the kids.

Other free programs running all summer include Men's Drop-in on Tuesday mornings, Women's on Thursday, and Mixed Doubles on Fridays at the Portlock courts. Players of all skill levels are invited. Peter will also be offering Tennis 1-2-3 lessons this summer for all ages and abilities. For more information, you can contact PARC at 537-4448 or Peter Lamb at 537-4859.



Disc golfing crowd gather for the finale of the 2nd Annual Hart Memorial Disc Tournament at Mouat Park, May 13.

Disc golf fever hits Salt Spring

by Joanne O'Connor

On Saturday, Mouat Park was host to a symphony of discs, as the air was filled with the music of tonal pole notes. Sixty-seven disc golfers of all sizes and skill levels gathered to enjoy friendly competition and fresh air at Salt Spring's Second Annual Hart Memorial Tournament.

The action was well underway by noon, when eager groups of golfers fanned out to their starting tee to await the whistled "shotgun" start. Soon after, a barrage of whistles and cries rang out, and the tournament was officially on.

Although fun was the main objective for most, the possibility of winning the coveted Ace Pot sent many discs flying on a wing, and a prayer as well. During registration golfers were offered the choice of contributing to a \$5 and/or a \$2 pool. Those lucky enough to score a "pole-in-one then divided the spoils of whatever pool they had entered. To discourage tall disc stories, ace shots had to have at least two witnesses!

Most categories remained the same as last year's inaugural tournament, however a larger showing from Novices this year indicates that many new players are joining the sport. On the other hand, it could also mean that some people didn't bother to practice over the winter.

Local talent shone on the course. Salt Spring players swept four out of the six categories. The exceptions were the Pro and Women's categories. The official Pro winner was unclear, since Pender Island's Alex Fraser left to catch the ferry before he and Mike Graff from Vancouver could play off. With a score of 106, Barb "Rasta" Hanington, who hails from the Queen Elizabeth course in Vancouver, won the Women's division. Competition was fierce amongst the Amateurs, especially the groups of teenage boys who duked it out vocally as well as physically. The eventual winner had the distinction of earning the second best overall score, as well as inspiring the loudest cheering section. Jess McEachern took home the honours and the respect of his peers with his score of 94. The Novice Category had eighteen participants, including the youngest player, eightyear-old, Zak Abramyk. Andrew McLean won the Novice category by a long shot, with an impressive score of

Master's Paul Linton shot 106, and thus claimed first prize. He received a beautiful wooden trophy in the form of an old logger, crafted by Cathy Trollip. The winner of the Advanced Category also threw his way to earning the best score overall. Scott Cadenhead triumphed with a score of 90. An award for the best local player was given to Scott as well. He received a wooden model airplane donated by the Linager family. Wooden plaques with mini discs were awarded to the First, Second and Third places in each category. The plaques were created by Seth Burton, and were greatly admired by all present.

The last event of the tournament was the C.T.P. (closest to pin) throw at Hole 3. Jed Wilson, who was unable to attend the tournament, donated \$50 to the cause for this event. As the entire cast of the tournament gathered around the third tee, joyful shouts and catcalls resounded. After well over 60 discs were lofted, a winner emerged. Novice Nick Goodwin came within inches of hitting the pin.

After a full day of disc golf and friendly rivalry, the tournament disbanded. Disc golfers left Mouat Park satiated by the camaraderie found in the pleasures of disc golf, good company and fine recreation. The hard work of Dean Crouse, Mitchell Sherrin, the many sponsers, and all the work bee participants made the tournament a huge success.



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STAMMER, HANS. Passed away peacefully after a long illness at Lady Minto Hospital on May 8, 2000. He is survived by his wife Anne, daughter Ingrid, sister Helga and nine brothers and sisters in Germany and one sister in Calgary. No service by request. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation. The family wishes to thank the doctors and nurses and staff of Lady Minto Hospital for their kindness and understanding as well as the support of friends and neighbours during Hans' illness. Haywards Funeral Service. 537-1022

120 • IN MEMORIAM



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> ART SEMINAR, Beginner / intermediate watercolours, July 10-14, Monday-Friday, 10-4 pm. Val Konig 537-9531; Libby Juntras 653-2030. Cost \$250. Early bird special \$200.

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Visitors Welcome. **ALLEGRA SINGERS** Benefit Concert for BC Land Conservancy. Saturday, May 20, 8 pm. All Saints By-the-Sea Church. Tickets \$10/\$7 at Acoustic Planet Music or at

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FRI., MAY 26 7:00 p.m. Lions Hall Bruce Ellingsen of the Cortes Ecoforestry Society on campaign successes to secure land for comunity ecoforestry The same evening, Jay Rastogi of Wildwood will speak on ecoforestry practices.

All events are no charge. 538-0318 or #204-338 Lower Ganges office for info on stewardship issues.



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LOCAL TRUST COMMITEE

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee will be meeting to consider various matters of general business, such as applications received, bylaw reviews and meeting notes.

DATE: Thursday,

May 25, 2000

TIME: 1:30 p.m. PLACE: Hart Bradley

Memorial Hall (Lions Club) 103 Bonnet Ave, Ganges

The Public is invited to attend, and will be provided an opportunity to speak to the Local Trust Committee on any matters of interest. For information about the agenda, please call the Islands Trust at 537-9144.

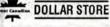
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170 • NOTICES-BUSINESS

JUNIOR TENNIS Drop-in. Wednesday 3-5p.m. Portlock Park. For more info call PARC 537-4448 or Peter Lamb 537-



NOTICE

The offices of the Islands Trust, Salt Spring Island, will be closed Wednesday, May 17, 2000 for staff training.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

The office will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, May 18, 2000.

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190 • THANKS

THANKS TO whoever returned the ATM money and to Island Savings Credit Union for tracing me! Sue H. 2000

FAMILY PLACE sends tributes to Angela Anderson for care of our clothing exchange.

H.M.S. GANGES Chapter IODE wish to thank the following restaurants and stores for their generous donations presented to winners of the two draws that took place at the Fashion Show Luncheon: Golden Island Chinese Restaurant; Harbour House Hotel; Salt Spring Books; Pharmasave; Flowers and Wine; Harlan's; Sweet Arts.2000

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370 • MISCELLANEOUS

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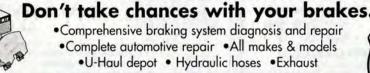
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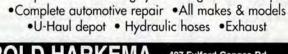


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For further information and job description, interested persons are invited to apply by phone or in writing to:

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email: ghendren@saltspring.com

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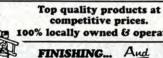


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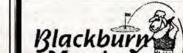
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HOROSCOPES

For the week, by Michael O'Connor Ph: 1-877-352-2936

Tip of the Week: ((Part 3 of 4) Last Week's epic alignment of planets in Taurus in and of itself can best be described as a powerful seed. It is certainly not the first nor the last, yet it is a powerful one. It is reminiscent, though probably more potent, of a powerful alignment of planets in Capricorn between 1989 and 1991 as well as powerful alignments in Aquarius back in 1962, then again in 1997, not to mention the rare grand square and solar eclipse at the 15th degree of the Fixed signs last August. The point is that those were also seed events of significant magnitude that are actually being triggered by this Taurus alignment. Those events were seed triggers' and now they are being triggered.

all in accordance with cosmic and divine timing.

The whole process can be compared to organic processes that undergo stages of growth in accordance with their nature. The weather conditions constitute the other key component. Consider that it is our joint and several quality of mind and heart that is the weather. As we create and love, purify and pray, chant and meditate glories of the creation and of the creator with heart and mind open with gratitude, we create the ideal weather conditions required for the seed to grow to it's fullest potential. In other words, what will happen when any major cosmic and Astrological event occurs such as this Taurus stellium depends in large measure upon us, jointly. The fruit of our open hearts and minds reveals itself as greater unity between heaven and earth and between us as the custodians of our beautiful planet. Taurus is a fertile sign, yet the chemical balance is delicate. Please do your part to bring in the ideal weath er. Your contribution really does count.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20) You have been consolidating a new base of operations

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22) A powerful seed has been planted in the fertile ground of your and/or mode of approach for some time now, hopefully. In any case, the next phase is to get out there and flirt with whole host of possibilities. It is time to get informed about what is available as well as experimenting directly. We are in an information war, soldier. The casualties will be counted as those who do not play with information and ideas in innovative ways. Give new meaning to 'common' sense.

Taurus(Apr 21 - May 20) Is it your inner world that is rocking your outer, vice/versa or both? Either way, you are being moved to take yourself and your world more seriously. This is a very expansive time for you and good fortune or karma is yours to enjoy. However, be aware that you are being tested as to how you will respond to this blessing. If you use it for your advantage alone, it will quickly dissipate. Invest your talents into a shared vision and your crops will grow abun-

dantly Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) An opening for the pressure that has been building-up within is before you. Like a shimmering shaft of silver light from heaven, it is an opportunity to break new ground on the frontier of your heart. Be quick and nimble to activate this portal before it moves on in it's cycle. This is your chance to nurture your nature to attain creative heights the like of which you have only dreamed. You are free to direct the energy and direct it you must. Hi-ho Silver, away!

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21) Rubbing elbows with friends new and old finds you also rubbing hands with the inspiration of promising prospects. The time has come for you to take the first steps, at least, towards goals that have been brewing in your mind for many months. The key is to blend innovative approaches with traditional ones. There are already many good ideas out there, just look around and see how you can add a few unique twists to what others are already doing.

in the fertile ground of your public and professional life. It may take a little time yet before you see the first real sprouts, but these seeds are magic like Jack's. Follow through now with whatever new ideas have come your way recently. There are prob-ably also some key people who have come your way of late who stand to make major contributions. Just make sure you plant those seeds where they won't rip through the ceiling. The golden eggs

await. Virgo (Aug 22 - Sep 23) It is time to learn new skills and polish up on old ones. The intention to consolidate your abilities is key. Setting up a realistic and powerful vehicle of exchange is an art in itself. There are no rewards for selling yourself short, not on earth nor in heaven. In fact, just the opposite. If you are not already organized and on your way, there is no time to lose. Brainstorm and make lists of your talents and engage with a strategic approach.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 21) The time has come to engage with others and embrace a shared vision. If you have already been engaged, it is time to deepen the ties. Where this does not seem realistic, the opposite may be true, initially at least. In other words, if you cannot deepen with existing situations, it may be time to move on to people and places where it is possible. Your job is to make sincere efforts without trying to control the outcome. Do so by playing with the possibili-ties, for now.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 20) Many new opportunities are coming you way now. It would seem that the dry spell is finally over. Now, instead of wondering what will come along and when, you are challenged by a whole host of possibilities. The decision process should be quite easy. Just go for what has heart and passion as opposed to compromising yourself no matter how many zero's is on the cheque. This is one of those times when you are being tested about what is truly of value.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 20) Your health and well being continues as a major theme. Beyond your obvious and immediate needs that require attention, it is time to look to your life style in general. This means polishing up on the patterns, routines and rituals that no longer serve. Breaking negative patterns is a process of associating pain them and associating pleasure to new tastes and styles. This requires imagination and commitment. While you have plenty of the for-mer, the latter may require

more effort. Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19) Opportunities are knocking for you to establish a founda-tion that will see you well into the future. Some risks will be required along with the deter-mination to follow through. Take a moderate approach that allows you to pace your energetic output for a few years at least. Concern for the welfare of others is a part of the deal. Remember that what others need from you above all is your time and attention. Getting all the toys pales in the light of balanced and loving relationships.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19) Have you heard the story about the farmer who sold his land for the opportunity to prospect for gold only to discover that the land was the site of a diamond mine? Well, the story is about not forfeiting what one already has for the promise of something better, at least not without carefully evaluating what you do already have. Of course, the process of getting the diamonds requires it's fair share of effort as well. So, what is good about where you are at right now?

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20) The pursuit of new knowledge and skills is upon you. Like a child on an Easter egg hunt, excitement fills the air Yet, there are responsibilities as well that need to be considered in this call to power. Look to how habitual perceptions of yourself, the world and your general approach could be renovated and improved. You truly do have some special attributes to share and the world is ready to receive you. Follow through on your homework so you don't let them down.



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MARY & ERIN of Fable Cottage would like to thank the following people for contributing to our very successful Grand Opening successful Grand Opening Celebration on Saturday: Jim McGuckin for providing delicious donuts and juice; Marty and Kyrsten for the incredible sandwich board; Jesse Fisher for too many things to list; Mardon Dary and Lynda Monk for mini-massages for Moms; Bruce Elkin for spending part of his birthday reading "Miss Rumphius"; Carleen and Catherine for flower-making; Shauna Grylls for flower-making; Shauna Grylls for storytelling; the "Young Fiddlers" (Hal Cook, Julian Smith, Hannah, Fiona, and Heather Munro, Helena Bryn-Jones, Sarah Lundy, Sarah Weston and Martin Thorn for sharing your talent; face painters Rosa Erck, Sarah Weston and Jessie. Asia Petis and Victoria Ross for passing out flyers at the Ross for passing out flyers at the market; and all the friends and families who came to support our new adventure! Thanks to everyone who came out & made the day so

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SPRING SAFARI-

Phantom ball mystery guests Geof Barrett, Diana Hayes and Dr. Peter Dawes entertained crowds at Lady Minto Hospital Day on Friday, May 12. Dr. Dawes, a recent import from South Africa, has been here for a year and is the new staff surgeon at Lady Minto.



Letters cont'd. from p5

School starting times

This is the time to speak up and voice your feelings regarding the school starting times. Are you happy with the current starting times? At the last board meeting it was unanimously decided to maintain the current starting times. This will be up for a vote at the next board meet-The GISS PAC has requested that the board defer the ratification to give the community and parents time to make their opinions known to the board. At the time of their meeting they had only heard favourably by letter from the outer islands. There were no comments from any groups on Salt Spring. Please write, fax, email or call and make sure you voice your support or opposition.

MARLIE KELSEY Joining a circle

with strangers It was one month from May 3 that I arrived on this Island from a distant place. I had hoped to be settled into my new space that was gong to be called home for awhile, but I learned that things had changed. Now I am looking around to the dishes that are unpacked, the paintings that hang on the wall and the books that are filling the shelves. When these things came out of boxes it was a private invitation for me to accept my marital separation. The significance of claiming this spot as home was a beckoning for me to arrive to that place inside of myself, surrendering to the grief, the loss and the new circumstance of my life. The thought of having to repack my belongings leaves me tangled in loose ends that I believed I knotted lightly enough to hold me in a new beginning.

I was invited to a potluck tonight. I felt more inclined to fall asleep on the couch, hoping that my dreams would show me the direction for tomorrow, versus finding my map and venturing to a place full of strangers. Despite myself, I arrived at Lynn's house and entered the front door. Within minutes I was standing in a circle, with strangers, breathing in light and breathing out love and acceptance—raising energies of excitement, anticipation and welcoming (and something else which has escaped me at this particular moment). Our hands were joined, we received on the right and gave to our left. Silently we offered breath, intention, and healing to our self, to one another and to the planet. We moved to circle the fire where we shared our visions and hopes, later rising to dance over the earth while listening to music that played against the outdoor night. Even the weeping willow moved overhead, as the grass beneath my bare feet

Earlier today, I felt tempted to leave this magical Island as quickly as I arrived to her. However, this circle of strangers that I met tonight was woven with some of the most familiar people I have met in a very long time. To each of you, who will recognize that your hands too joined the splendor of this evening, I thank you for silently, and perhaps unknowingly, welcoming me to this mysterious land.

LYNDA MONK

Pass the Popcorn (Little Hollywood North:

Saltspring Thyme May 2)

It's a great flick, in which a couple of those wacky Sector 8s suffer an engine seizure just shortly after being assaulted while battling the dreaded "Cold Machine." It seems their oil filter fell off just one month after an oil change. There is a great deal of speculation among the rebel forces that it was the high jinx of droid slaves skulking around the parked ground transporters on Musgrave Road near the

Rebel Cave.

Our heroes have been assaulted and jacked by droid slaves, and jacked by I.C.B.C. They are out \$1,800 for a V.W. Microbus with a cooked engine—a handsome ecofriendly grounder.

While not on location, this couple live and work in the Fulford area, and are now having to use a borrowed transporter. They have amazing spunk and haven't quit despite stalls by the producers (B.B.B.

productions) for pay advances. It's definitely low budget (no stunt doubles). Their strength of commitment to the project is admirable; they're quiet, unassuming, and solid, and I'm hoping someone out there appreciates their courage and effort enough to help them. His name is Maxime and he can be reached at 537-6230.

As for the cast of "Honey the Kids are Mutating Again," please "Fight Baaaaac" (No T.M.) and do try to remember what that largest of appliances in the kitchen is for.

ROD MCGUCKIN

Family cont'd. from p21

family. To experience one of my sons as a father or my daughter as a mother would be a great pleasure for me though I am sure this pleasure could also be realized if the child were adopted. But, my friend persisted (in her interview), it had been

significant for me that it was to have been my genetic grandchild and I say that it was. It was significant, it would be significant-I hope there will be another chance. But it would be only one of the many significancies.

Salt Spring Volunteer Firefighters' **Annual Helmet Drive**

told stories.

This Saturday, May 20th

This year our firefighters are raising funds for the Lady Minto Hospital Society. On Saturday, they'll be in the streets with helmets in hand, canvassing for your support. Please give generously.



living well

Blue fly alert Look before you swat

by Jonathan Grant

Wait. Don't reach for the fly swatter just yet. What may appear to be a fly hatching out in your window frames, could actually be a valuable little friend known as the native Orchard Mason or Blue Bee (Osmia lignaria). Somewhat fly-like in appearance, the bee with the dark metallic blue body can also be found nesting in tiny holes in the expansion and or drainage spaces left between roof shingles.

The Blue Bee is a highly efficient pollinator, 250 bees can do the work of thousands of honey bees. Unlike the honey bee, which is restricted by cold wet weather, the Blue Bee goes out in all kinds of weather. It's also considered more effective in that a Blue Bee will visit a higher percentage of a tree's blossoms than a regular honey bee does. One estimate puts the figure at 95 per cent of blossoms visited as compared to a honey bee which on average may only visit 5% of a tree's blossoms.

Setting out the welcome mat for these marvelous little critters is relatively simple. Since the bees cannot excavate their own cavities, they must rely on holes created by others.

To build a Blue Bee box, cut a piece

of cedar approximately three to four inches deep and six inches high. An old weathered piece of 4x4 is ideal. Then drill 5/16"(8mm) holes in rows right through the block, and then attach a piece to the back with screws. This will allow you to remove the back and clean the holes when the bees leave in the spring. The holes should be spaced 3/4" apart. A small roof overhang is helpful to deflect moisture. Place the bee condo in a sheltered location facing south or east for morning sun. Under the eaves or overhang is good. Avoid wind exposed sites.

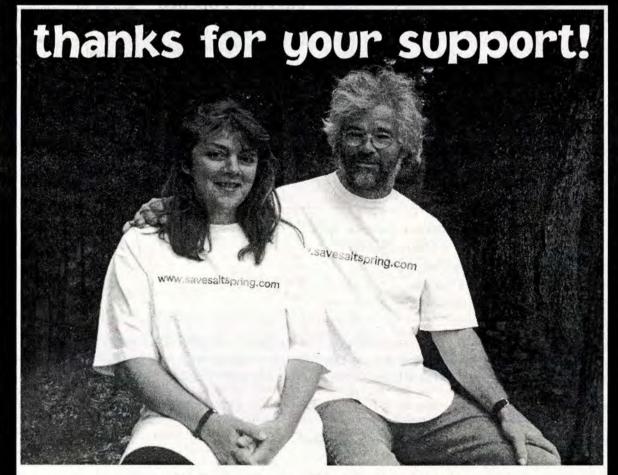
Once the bees have occupied the box, do not disturb it until at least July. Boxes can be left out all winter unless temperatures go unusually low. At -18 celsius, the box should be moved into an unheated garage or wood shed. Blue Bees like to nest in colonies so it's a good idea to put up more than one box. The box should be rehung before the fruit trees blossom in the spring.

It's a good idea to clean the boxes after the bees leave to keep mold and fungus from building up. Clean out each hole with a tiny bottle brush and a five per cent chlorine solution. Rinse well.





Above left: Closeup of a Blue Bee investigating a potential nesting site. Above right: An Orchard Mason or. Blue Bee condo helps ensure these wonderful pollinators take up residence.



Saltspring residents Diane Roberts & David Douglas are a husband and wife team who have produced and directed over 32 Imax films. Their last film 'Fires of Kuwait' was critically acclaimed and nominated for an Academy Award. They would like to see an end to the clearcut logging by Texada Land Corporation and new bylaws introduced which would preserve and protect Saltspring Island for future generations.

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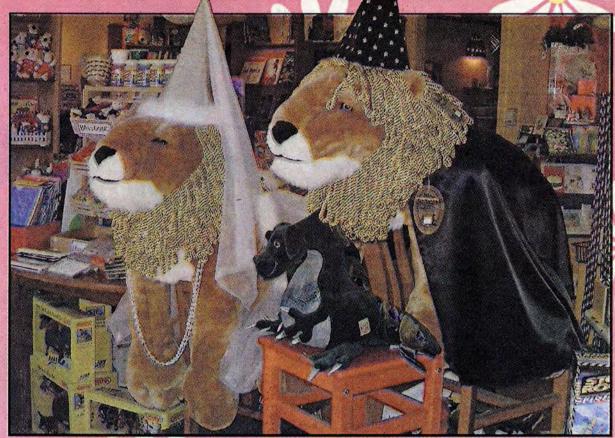
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- #3 \$10500 certificate to Thrifty's Foods
- #4 \$10500 certificate to House Piccolo
- #5 \$10500 certificate to Skin Sensations Spa

Cool, eh? That's not all. The night of Friday May 19 we will be open from 7pm-8pm ONLY. (Ramesh and 5usheela will entertain!!) Thirty-5 people at a time will be allowed to shop for whatever their heart desires at 50% off. (cash and carry, please) Those not making it inside during the hour will be given a 20% off any one item gift certificate. Good Luck! Oh, one more thing.

Thursday, May 18 - 20% off all Thomas the Tank Engine and Corolle Dolls

Friday, May 19 - 20% off all Small Miracles Dress-Up

5aturday, May 20 - 20% off all Playmobil

5unday, May 21 - 20% off our entire Brio line (infant, preschool, and we now carry Brio wooden train)

Monday, May 22 - 20% off all books and stuffed animals, large and small (even Little Gem Teddies and Kosen special collectibles) Oh, and get <u>double points</u> on the specially apPOINTed merchandise.

Hope you like that 5alt 5pring 'cuz for 5 years we've liked you!

P.S. Oh, don't forget! From each day's entries we'll draw for a free hardcover NEW (#4) Harry Potter book (coming in July) AND for a free Golf Disc. P.P.S. (Oh, yeah!) Helium balloons, face painting Saturday and Sunday 2-4 and all that regular stuff too.