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Lunn clinches islands seat

By MITCHELL SHERRIN Staff Writer

Canada may have elected a new government Monday night, but the Saanich-Gulf Islands riding remained much the same and serves as a good snapshot for the larger political arena.

Few island voters would be surprised to learn that Conservative MP Gary Lunn won for the fourth straight time since 1997

"It was an exciting night. We're thrilled to be given a clear minority government by the Canadian people and, obviously we're very pleased with results locally in Saan-ich-Gulf Islands," he said.

Lunn expects to be busy with the transition from opposition to government now that the Conservative Party took 124 seats Monday night (compared to 103 seats for the Liberals, 51 for the Bloc Quebecois, 29 for the

"Canadians clearly were not prepared to give anyone a majority. I wasn't expecting that, and they want us to deliver.'

Lunn hopes to move for-ward local issues he's been working on, like the missing persons DNA database, but he declined comment that he could face a cabinet posi-

"We'll all be getting different responsibilities, whatever they may be," he said. "I would expect a smaller cabinet for Mr. Harper; that wouldn't surprise me in the least. Whatever he asks me to do, I'll roll up my sleeves and get to work. Right now I'm so happy, I'd be happy to carry his briefcase."

Lunn is confident that the Conservative government can work with other parties to find solutions.

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NDP and 1 independent). PARC bids farewell to Curtin and Fraser

By MITCHELL SHERRIN Staff Writer

Salt Spring faces a "watershed" of opportunity after longtime commissioners Bill Curtin and Wayne Fraser resigned from the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC).

"Both Bill and Wayne have devoted a large part of their lives to the commission serving the community and they should be thanked for that," said Capital Regional District (CRD) director Gary Holman, who sits on PARC as the local CRD rep.

Curtin announced his resignation after the public part of a January 16 parks planning meeting and Fraser left his post earlier in the month. Curtin has served 15 years with PARC, including several as chair, while Fraser served for nine and was also PARC chair.

Fraser had not been attending PARC meetings while recuperating from a broken leg suffered in a bicycling incident and subsequent surgery.

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YEAR OF THE DOG: "Bailey" gets a new hair-cut from dog groomer Andrea Sowden as Chinese New Year ushers in the Year of the Dog, starting next week.

onstruction begins at Ganges Marina site

By SEAN MCINTYRE Staff Writer

Ganges Marina manager Robyn Kelln said building 16 structures on the marina site along Lower Ganges Road is his only recourse after the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) rejected his "commu-

nity-minded" proposal last fall.

"We can only do now what is within our legal right as owners of that property," he said in a Monday evening interview from his Vancouver home. "We are proceeding the way we always said we would."

Kelln added there is further pressure to begin construction before the LTC considers Bylaw 413, which would regulate what can be built in Salt Spring's Shoreline I zone, at the January 31 LTC meeting.

He said the 16 buildings planned for the site will house marina guest services such as washrooms, showers, laundry facilities and space for other marina-related ser-

Kelln worries the bylaw could further restrict overtaxed marina services before the boating season begins anew this spring.

The Ganges Marina site was the object of fierce debate when the company sought the LTC rezoning required to construct a multilevel retail and residential complex on its properties.

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Judge orders cross-examination of Dave Gibbon in tennis case

A petition to overturn the Capital Regional District (CRD) board's approval of the Salt Spring indoor tennis court contract is still on track to be heard in B.C. Supreme

A March 15 court date has been reserved, said the petitioners' lawyer David Taylor

But before then, Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) operations manager David Gibbon will be crossexamined in an attempt to resolve conflicts in evidence between his affidavit and those made in support of the petition.

That step follows a ruling from Justice R.R. Holmes, which was released January 20 in Vancouver, after arguments were made in court the week before.

"We argued there were material conflicts between what Mr. Gibbon had to say and what other witnesses who had sworn affidavits in support of the petition had said," said Taylor. "The lawyers representing PARC and the CRD argued that there should be no cross-examination because the issues spoken to by Mr. Gibbon were not directly material to the issues before the court. Secondly they argued that there is seldom a cross-examination in a judicial review petition proceeding.'

But Justice Holmes disagreed. He stated in his reasons for judgment that cross-examination of Gibbon "will be relevant, serve a useful purpose in determining the facts, and will assist the court in determining the evidence relevant to a decision on the petition."

Taylor said the crossexamination date will likely be in early February.

Michael Best and the Salt Spring Island Ratepayers Group filed a petition challenging the CRD's September approval of a \$572,150 contract to Cover-All Pacific Building Systems. They believe the approval should be deemed invalid or unauthorized, suggesting inadequate or false information was used in making a "rubber-stamped" decision.

Despite the court case proceeding and land-use issues that have arisen with the Islands Trust and Agricultural Land Commission over the proposed Portlock Park site, the tennis court materials were delivered by Cover-All to Salt Spring last

will work with us on this. On every single bill, you'll attract support from differ-ent corners of the House; whether it be the Bloc, the NDP or Liberal members of Parliament.

Lunn received 24,416 votes and 37.1 per cent of the vote in his riding (1,192 votes and 22.8 per cent of the Salt Spring vote).

NDP candidate Jennifer Burgis was also happy with election results, even though she placed second in the rid-

ing.
"We're very proud. It was an excellent result," she

One of the highlights for her was that three NDP women (Catherine Bell, Jean Crowder and Denise Savoie) won seats on Vancouver Island. And Burgis led polls on Salt Spring with 1,845 votes and 35.3 per cent support.

"I have to say that I think a lot of the Green [Party] supporters realize that putting a New Democrat in Ottawa is how we are going to get reform; we won't have a Green MP until we have electoral reform."

With 17,455 votes in the Saanich-Gulf Islands riding, she narrowly beat the Liberal candidate for second place when she took 26.6 per cent of the vote.

"My room was rather pumped to hear that they had retired Sheila Orr."

ple. I expect other parties Salt Spring Polling Station Results

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Burgis indicated that with a minority government, various parties will need to work together to pass any initia-

Burgis

"A working coalition is the most likely outcome from

And she intends to maintain a local presence as a community activist.

"Now that I have three strong New Democrat women on the island to bend their ears, I'll do some of that work.

After struggling to get recognized by mainstream media, Green Party candidate Andrew Lewis took consolation second on island ballots with 1,202 votes and 23 per cent of the Salt Spring

"Every day of this campaign was a victory for us. Every day we get to be on the same stage as the other political parties and get our

Lunn

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message out."

O'Brien Orr

And the Greens "even gained support in Alberta of all places," he said.

But Lewis was disappointed with results that saw him slip from approximately 10,000 votes in 2004 to 6,533 (9.9 per cent) in the riding for the 2006 election.

"Throughout this campaign I have been battling the idea of strategic voting. I think it's fear mongering and anti-democratic," Lewis said. "In this election I think we got squeezed and people tried to stop Gary Lunn by either voting Liberal or NDP and they cancelled each

Lewis believes the current electoral system is flawed and that Canada is destined for another election within the next two years.

"Until we actually reform the system so that the Bloc doesn't keep holding this country ransom, we'll end up with the same result again."

Sheila Orr wasn't surprised by the riding results.

"Basically the NDP and myself split the vote; 62-63 per cent didn't vote for Mr. Lunn and he won — but that's democracy.'

While Orr felt she gave Lunn a good fight to garner 26.1 per cent of votes in the riding (17,144) with 980 votes or 18.7 per cent support on Salt Spring, she was disappointed with the overall Liberal campaign.

"Our national campaign was exceedingly bad; very badly run, very badly executed.'

And she plans to step back from politics.

"Now it's time for our

party to regroup and refocus and start looking at the younger generation; that's who should be taking over

Orr also graciously commended her opponents.

"Every candidate did a good job for their party. My worthy opponents all believed in their platform, particularly the NDP and the Greens. You've got to admire everybody that takes on a role like that and stands up for what they believe in."

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Peter Lamb and George Ehring played a vital role in opposing the plan and will begin their terms with the option of giving Bylaw 413 first reading at Tuesday's meeting.

Public opposition convinced former trustee Kimberly Lineger and chair David Essig to decline B&B Ganges Marina's request for a zoning change at the cost of losing several concessions made by the company.

In a Tuesday interview, Lineger said the decision to begin construction on the site shows just how important it is to sit down and reopen negotiations

"It time for people to get off their laurels because it's beyond protesting that they don't want something," she said. "The community must ask itself what it wants that area to look like.'

B&B Ganges Marina Ltd. is now building under its existing zoning restrictions and the community stands to

gain nothing from the process, she said.

"The Ganges Marina proposal was probably flawed because it was too good to be true and that is why people didn't give it any credibility," Kelln said. "The public was grossly misled and were sold snake oil instead of finding out what the real hard facts

Despite getting "serious offers" on residential-zoned waterfront lots along Lower Ganges Road, Kelln said, he remains open to proposals if the Islands Trust or other community groups wish to step forward.

"We are prepared to negotiate everything but one thing - time," he said. "I've already sacrificed all the time I'm prepared to give on this project.'

Trustees Ehring and Lamb, and chief Trust planner John Gauld could not be reached for comment by deadline.

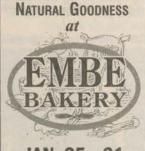
Tuesday's LTC meeting is at 1 p.m. at ArtSpring.



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BEHOLDING THE HAGGIS: Robbie Burns Day was celebrated in typical Salt Spring style last weekend. Seen here, ceremoniously ushering in the haggis, are (from left) Jan MacPhail, Lorraine Lowry, Robert Chrichton and John Williamson.

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Youths pull off rescue at sea

Youths rescued the rider of a Sea-Dootype vehicle off North Galiano Island on the afternoon of January 15.

According to Barry Ralston of Esquimalt, his son Cale Ralston, 18, was walking on the beach with his girlfriend and her cousin when they noticed a man in distress off shore.

"They heard the guy kind of shouting and waving and at first they didn't pay any attention and then they realized he was in trouble and needed help," said Barry Ralston.

It turned out the man had run out of gas while out for a ride, and the wind and current were working against him.

While a call was made for emergency help, Cale and his girlfriend's cousin borrowed a nearby boat with an outdoor motor to rescue the man.

"It wasn't rainy, but it was windy," said Barry Ralston.

"They put their lives into danger going out

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"It's kind of a watershed in a way, because Bill and Wayne have been there so long. It's unfortunate they felt they had to leave before their terms. But it's an opportunity for rethinking; that's not a bad thing," Holman said.

Holman and the remaining eight PARC commissioners will discuss future appointment options during their annual retreat in February. But more significantly, the commission needs to look at its aging master plan, he said.

"I feel quite strongly that before the commission gets into another major capital project, we need to take stock. We've bitten off too many large and, at times, controversial projects."

He also reiterated a campaign promise to establish term limits for commissioners and is looking at implementing a review panel for

all CRD commissions before the end of the year.

Fraser feels proud of the trail network and increased green space, which grew by 400 to 500 per cent during his three terms with PARC.

"I still think of it as the best way we can address a lot of the social woes in society, by giving people the opportunity to recreate and meet in different spaces.'

Fraser believes the new recreation centre will serve the greatest number of islanders with the resources available. He intends to keep volunteering with the Crime Prevention Association through Salt Spring Community Justice.

"One of the best things with PARC for me was all the other volunteers that I had the pleasure of crossing paths with. They were all there for the right reasons."

And Curtin looks at the January 30.

Rainbow Road complex as a significant legacy

The assembly of the land on Rainbow Road was an effort over a long sustained period of time that took a lot of attention and detail," Curtin said. "The fact the pool is happening now is irrevocable. I'm happy.'

With his new free time, he plans to read some books, take on another Foster Parents Plan foster child and spend more time with his grandchildren.

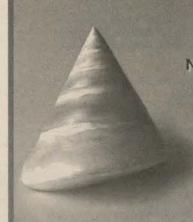
PARC vice-chair Rosemary Trump also thanked Curtin and Fraser for their contributions to the commu-

know how much time and energy it takes," she

Trump will lead the commission temporarily until elections for chair and vicechair positions are held on



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Elected officials urge alternative to province's moth spraying plan

By SEAN MCINTYRE Staff Writer

Salt Spring's newly elected local trustees have placed their support behind southend residents opposing a provincial government proposal to spray a 390-hectare (963-acre) area with a contentious bacterial pesticide.

"If there is a solution that will work and doesn't put people's health at risk, then let's do that," said trustee George Ehring. "We shouldn't do nothing and so we must certainly do something to support an alternative treatment process."

Ehring, fellow trustee Peter Lamb and Salt Spring's regional director on the Capital Regional District (CRD) board Gary Holman formally presented their opposition to the spray proposal in a letter sent to the Ministry of Forests and Range (MFR) and the Ministry of the Environment on Tuesday.

"Our community has shown its willingness in the past to implement alternative methods of gypsy moth control," the letter reads. "We are prepared to do that again. You have our commitment as elected representatives to work with the provincial government and the community on such a plan."

MFR requires the spray permit to use Btk and Foray 48b on an area adjacent to Mount Maxwell Provincial Park on April 15 and June 20, 2006 to prevent the spread of a gypsy moth population.

Concerns arose after 42 gypsy moths were discovered in nine traps last summer

Spray opponents on Salt Spring have presented a number of arguments for using alternative control measures, including the spray's impact on organic farming operations, endangered butterfly species and residents' health.

Despite their concerns, MFR contends spraying the area is the only way to ensure gypsy moths do not endanger deciduous trees in affected areas.

Since gypsy moths lay their eggs high in the forest canopy, searching for individual eggs is considered extremely difficult and deemed an "ineffective eradication technique," according to a provincial government website.

Other methods such as mass trappings, it reads, are problematic because of the number of traps needed — anywhere up to 40 traps per hectare (99/acre).

Though trapping is considered "accepted by the public," it does not guarantee moths are caught before they mate and requires considerable time before results can be examined.

Islander Gail Richards helped coordinate a successful local anti-spraying campaign in 1993. The public outcry resulted in more than 100 volunteers setting traps, binding trees and overseeing minimal ground-based spraying.

She sees little reason why the same cannot be done in 2006.

If anything, she said, the strong reaction from islanders would show the government this issue is taken very seriously on Salt Spring.

Because the government

has yet to establish a longterm gypsy moth management plan, she said, it is unlikely the spray will prevent future outbreaks because gypsy moth larvae are often transported to the island on vehicles.

Aerial spraying has never eradicated the gypsy moth, Richards added, and it is not even known if populations can successfully propagate on the island.

Richards believes research into the potential side effects of Foray 48b and Btk is incomplete and worthy of more study.

"You always go with precaution," she said. "To be safe you always go with precaution, especially if there are alternatives."

More than 100 people have signed on to the antispray campaign's e-mail list and a petition will soon be available at Salt Spring Natureworks in Ganges and Morningside Organic Bakery and Café in Fulford.

More information is available online at savesaltspring. com or www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/gypsymoth.

Island roads challenge local drivers

Emergency crews descended upon Fulford Harbour after learning a vehicle had veered out of control near St. Paul's Catholic Church and plunged off the bank just after noon on Sunday, January 22.

ary 22.

The 30-year-old male driver managed to escape from the partially submerged vehicle by the time crews arrived.

He suffered only minor injuries and the severely damaged vehicle was towed from the scene.

RCMP Sgt. Danny Willis said the cause of the accident is under investigation.

Area resident Bruce Patterson saw the emergency crews at work as he returned to Salt Spring on the ferry.

"It's not uncommon for cars to go over the bank in that area," he said.

"Remarkably, the injuries are rarely severe, but perhaps Highways should consider extending the barrier along that stretch of the road."

• Emergency crews were called to the scene of a two-vehicle accident at the intersection of Fulford-Ganges and Dukes roads just before 8 a.m. on Tuesday.

The drivers were treated for minor injuries and were reported in stable condition.

"Rush-hour" traffic along Fulford-Ganges Road was backed up for 20 minutes as rescue crews towed the vehicles from the scene.

• Salt Spring RCMP are

investigating another incident after the driver of a northbound vehicle lost control and crashed into an oncoming car near the 2400 block of Fulford-Ganges Road on the afternoon of Thursday, January 19.

Willis said both drivers were treated for minor injuries.

He advised motorists to ensure their headlights are on and working properly, especially during periods of reduced visibility.

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Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee

The Islands Trust and the Capital Regional District have agreed to assist BC Ferries in renewing the membership of the Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee to BC Ferries. The mandate of the committee is to advise BC Ferries on local ferry service issues and inter-dependent ferry service issues that may arise.

The Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee will participate with the Southern Gulf Islands Ferry Advisory Committee in a subcommittee on ferry scheduling issues.

A maximum of six persons will be appointed to the Salt Spring Island Ferry Advisory Committee for a three-year term. The committee will meet a minimum of two times each year, usually on Salt Spring Island. There is no remuneration paid for service on the committee, however, BC Ferries pays approved expenses incurred by participating members.

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A maximum of eleven persons, including the CRD Director for the Southern Gulf Islands, will be appointed to represent Galiano Island, Mayne Island, Saturna Island, and North and South Pender Islands for a three-year term. The committee will meet a minimum of two times each year, usually in Swartz Bay. There is no remuneration paid for service on the committee, however, BC Ferries pays approved expenses incurred by participating members.

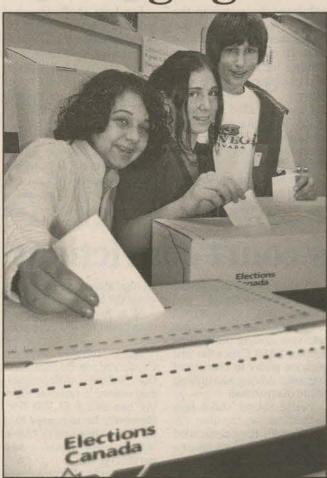
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Youth go green in vote



STUDENTS VOTE: From left, Hayley Jackson, Kaitlin Fraser and Casey Knight of Salt Spring Island Middle School participated in a national student voting program on Thursday.

Developers map out trail at Bullock Lake

Salt Spring Island Village Resort (SSIVR) has asked the Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) to consider taking a joint-venture stroll by establishing a trail along part of Bullock Lake.

SSIVR project coordinator Ron Behr made a presentation to PARC's parks planning committee on January 16, showing concept drawings and photographs of other trails created with natural materials and/or by building raised wooden walkways over environmentally sensitive areas.

Behr said the trail would help preserve and maintain

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the wetland region along the lake. A registered easement or covenant would see the trail granted to PARC and the Capital Regional District, along with the associated liability.

Commission member Peter Lake was concerned PARC would be assuming liability for resort guests.

Both resort users and the general public would access the trail, said Behr.

"The assumption is it's for everyone on the island," he

The issue will be referred to PARC's trails advisory group.

If Gulf Islands youth had their say in a federal election, the Green Party would be in power today.

Students at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS). Salt Spring Island Middle School (SIMS) and Pender Island Elementary-Secondary participated in the cross-Canada Student Vote last week, and overwhelmingly made their mark for Green Party candidate Andrew

At GISS, 355 of the school's 600 students cast ballots, with Lewis receiving 50.1 per cent support (175 votes).

He was followed by the NDP's Jennifer Burgis with 32.4 per cent of votes (115); Liberal candidate Sheila Orr, 6.7 per cent (24 votes); Conservative incumbent Gary Lunn with 6.4 per cent (23 votes); and Western Block candidate Patricia O'Brien attracting 4.2 per cent (15

Only Grade 8 students from SIMS were given the opportunity to mark ballots and 89 did the deed.

Lewis and the Greens grabbed 42 per cent of the votes (38), Burgis received 23.5 per cent (21), Orr had 20 per cent (18), and Lunn received 13.5 per cent

On Pender Island, 38 per cent of students supported Lewis (18 ballots); 32 per cent Burgis (15); 23.5 per cent Lunn (11) and 6.5 per cent Orr (3).

But Gulf Islands students' voting habits didn't mirror those of their nationwide counterparts.

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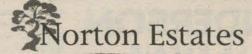
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Thefts, assault part of 13-charge saga

received conditional sentences, nine months probation, a driving ban and a \$600 fine when she pleaded guilty to five of 13 charges she faced in Victoria Provincial Court on January 12.

As part of one incident that occurred at a London Drugs store in Saanich on August 31, 2005, Quesnel pleaded guilty to theft of a car stereo and assault causing bodily harm against a loss-prevention officer.

ing, biting and she actually broke the skin biting [the store's loss-prevention officer]," said Crown counsel Barb Penty.

Quesnel was ordered to serve a six-month conditional sentence with a curfew, 40 hours of community service, substance-abuse and anger-management counselling, a ban from alcohol consumption or possession, a DNA order and prohibition from contact with the store

employee or access to the store.

Another guilty plea to a June 20 charge of impaired driving led to a \$600 fine and one-year driving prohi-

Quesnel also pleaded guilty to a charge that she attempted to steal beer from a cooler at Moby's Marine Pub on June 15.

"She was found in the restaurant cooler with an armload of six packs of Kokanee," Penty said.

received a seven-day conditional sentence concurrent to the previous sentence.

She also pleaded guilty to a breach of her bail terms from when she was stopped at 11:55 p.m. on October 24 while serving an 8 p.m. cur-

Her bail breach added another seven days to the conditional sentence.

Quesnel will also serve nine months probation with many of the same terms.

Alcohol fuels

A 21-year-old islander received a suspended sentence with 12 months probation when he pleaded guilty to charges of assaulting a police officer, causing a disturbance and breach of an undertaking when he appeared at Ganges Provin-

cial Court on January 10. Court heard that Morgan Howard was arrested for causing a disturbance and violating a police undertaking on November 17 when police received complaints about two males drinking, throwing cans and swearing loudly in Centennial Park.

Howard had previously been arrested that same morning with another male for being drunk in a public

Crown counsel David Sissons noted that RCMP Const. Nick Widdershoven was assaulted without injury during the morning arrest.

Crown ordered a stay of proceedings on a fourth charge of assault committed against a local shopkeeper related to the second inci-

Howard was ordered to write letters of apology to the two assault victims, maintain no contact with the second assault victim, attend counselling as directed and he was banned from possessing alcohol.

In another alcohol-related matter, Brenan Chamberlain, 68, received the mandatory minimum \$600 fine and a 12-month driving prohibition when he pleaded guilty to impaired driving.

Court heard that Chamberlain had a blood-alcohol level of 0.130 and 0.120 when he was stopped with faulty tail-lights on his vehicle on December 2, 2005.

"I'd like to say I'm relieved. It will simplify things," said Chamberlain.

Athena Varlis received a one-year driving prohibition and an \$850 fine after she pleaded guilty to charges of impaired driving and driving while disqualified.

Police found Varlis in a parked car on October 22. 2005 when they responded to a complaint she'd taken a vehicle while still serving a previous driving prohibition. At the time, Varlis showed signs of impairment and provided a breathalyzer sample of 0.16. She was also serving a one-year driving prohibition from an impaired driving charge that stemmed from a June 17, 2005 inci-

In her defence, Varlis indicated that she had voluntarily enrolled in a 30-day residential treatment program for alcohol abuse and she apologized for her "bad choices."

"I'm just grateful that I didn't hurt myself or anyone

Judge Hubbard denied a Crown request for incarceration, probation with counselling orders, a two-year driving ban and a \$1,100 fine. However, he indicated that the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles may impose a longer driving ban.

Similarly, Paul Adams received the mandatory minimum penalty of a \$600 fine and one-year driving ban when he pleaded guilty to impaired driving charges.

Adams had breathalyzer readings of 0.15 and 0.14 when stopped in a September 24, 2005 road check.

"I completely regret the whole incident," he said. "I tried to forget a problem and had a beer too many.'

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Islander, dog escape ferry 'death trap'

By MITCHELL SHERRIN Staff Writer

A Salt Spring woman was traumatized when a "wall of water" soaked her during a recent mainland ferry crossing on the car deck with her

dogs.
"One big wave came in through the little opening to the outside they have there and nailed us."

Islander Thea McCormick and her two dogs travelled home shivering and sopping wet after being struck by a wave on the car deck of the Queen of Oak Bay during the 3 p.m. Horseshoe Bay-Departure Bay crossing on January 1.

Following the incident that affected her, another passenger and their dogs, she wants to see a new pet area created for passengers above the car deck

"[We] were slammed by a wall of water, the water came right over my head, the impact forced me against the bench and sent my dogs and the man and his dog tumbling against the far wall."

Travelling on the car deck is "deplorable" even at the

best of times, she said.

"We have no access to washrooms or hot drinks or food, yet we pay the same price to ride the ferries as the passengers that have access to all those things, as well as a warm place to sit.

McCormick recalled she was initially pleased when she first boarded the Queen of Oak Bay for her trip earlier this month and learned that the dog area had been renovated over the summer.

"It was more of an enclosed room on the car deck and there was a couple of heaters and there's a door to get in there and I thought, 'This is getting better.' But when that water came through there, it was almost like a death

trap," McCormick said.
"We scrambled to open the door and get our dogs out of there because we didn't know if another wave was coming.'

She also realized that announcements were completely incomprehensible on the car deck and had no idea where a passenger would find a life jacket.

Her fear and distress were

exacerbated by cold and wet clothing, soaking dogs and sopping-wet bags

"They wouldn't even give me a ride to my car, which was in the furthest parking

She regularly travels with her dogs to visit her daughter

in Squamish, she said.
"We don't always take a car because it's so blooming expensive," said McCor-

Consequently, she would like to see a dog area built

Following the incident, she received a letter from the ferry captain stating that B.C. Ferries would move passengers with pets to another area when there are future crossings during inclement

"If they can do that, they can certainly make an area all the time.

"It's cold. Those are awful conditions. I can't understand why they can't just have a little room upstairs."

B.C. Ferries expressed remorse about the incident and indicated the company will look for a solution in

long-range plans. "We're very sorry this happened to this lady. I'm sure it was quite an uncomfortable incident for her," said B.C. Ferries spokesperson Deborah Marshall.

"It's certainly brought [this issue] to our attention. We want to look into it and see if we can make some improvements for our customers."

B.C. Ferries will now look at creating upper car deck pet areas during the future refit of all C-class vessels,

"With Health Canada regulations, we can't permit pets [except guide dogs] to be in passenger areas where we

are serving food," she said.

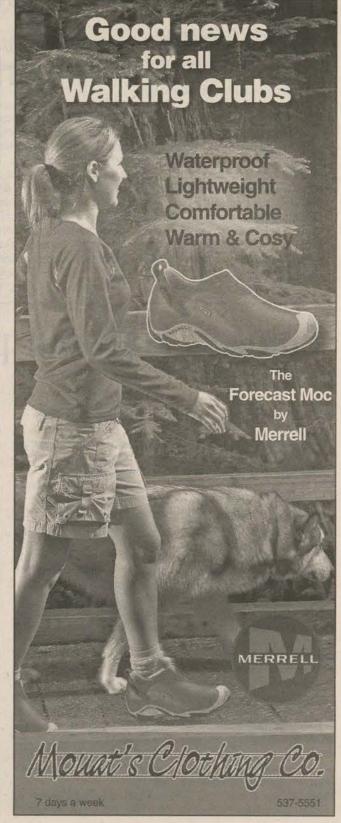
The entire passenger lounge area is covered by the Health Canada regulations,

B.C. Ferries invites customers to provide feedback on this and other issues, Marshall said.

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Ferry fare hike no joke: in effect February 1

Ferry fares will rise again on February 1 after B.C. Ferries' requested fuel surcharge was approved in part by the B.C. Ferry Commissioner Friday.

Southern Gulf Islands travellers will pay a further three per cent in ferry fares as of that date.

Approval was also granted for a 1.5 per cent fuel surcharge for the major routes connecting Vancouver Island and the mainland.

The increase marks the second fuel

tariff (and third rate hike) in the last six months.

On a return trip with a car and driver from Vancouver Island to Salt Spring, travellers can expect to pay an extra \$1.65 return fare while Tsawwassen to Swartz Bay fares crept up by \$2.20.

The latest increase for island ferry fares follows a 4.4 per cent increase on November 1 and another six per cent hike on July 25.

In his ruling, deputy commissioner Alan Eastwood noted that fuel prices in the second half of 2005 were significantly higher than forecast when he implemented B.C. Ferries' initial fuel surcharge in July.

And islanders can probably expect further increases of one per cent for the major route group and three per cent for the other route groups in June 2006 when Eastwood receives new fuel cost information.



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- 4. Wind up at the ArtSpring parking lot and receive your reward for coming out!
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Heritage Place is a fantastic place...



My wife, Pat, and I moved to Salt Spring Island last fall after living in Oakville, Ontario for 30 years. For 20 years we had come to visit our daughter, Janet Hoag, and her family who live here on the Island. Janet wanted us to move closer to her and it wasn't a difficult decision when we compared West Coast weather with Ontario weather.

We were keen on beginning another chapter of the wonderful life we've had. After almost 30 years in the life insurance business, I changed careers at age 58, ending up with my own company selling annuities and income retirement funds and I didn't retire until I was 72. That was 11 years ago. My wife Pat was a registered nurse and won several nursing awards during her career. We met on a blind date in 1950, married two years later and here we are with 3 children and 8 grandchildren 54 years later

Our daughter, Janet, found Heritage Place for us and we are delighted. It is really a wonderful concept. The design is excellent and we could not be happier with the staff. They have a wonderful attitude and are very considerate. And, the food! The food is really excellent! We are enjoying the company of the other residents...they are very pleasant. When people come to see what is offered at Heritage Place, it will really fill up quickly. I just know it. The location is terrific. I can walk to the Hospital, to my Doctor's office, to my Dentist's office and it's only a 5 minute drive to the golf course.

I'm really anxious to become more active in the community. I would love to play more golf and bridge. I learned to play bridge in 1942 on a troop ship between Liverpool and Durban, South Africa, on my way to serve in India. I was in service for 2 1/2 years in India, Ceylon and Burma, and was awarded the Burma Star.

What is my advice for a good life? Work at staying healthy; stay active doing what you are passionate about and 'it's never too late'.



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Making contact

Monday's election results proved once again that voters in both B.C. and Canada are completely in charge when they go to the polls.

The next couple of years should be a unique era in federal politics. Saanich-Gulf Islands could even find itself with a cabinet minister MP, if some predictions materialize.

When it comes to MP Gary Lunn, we'd like readers to know that he would have answered the three written questions we posed to Saanich-Gulf Islands candidates (with responses published in the January 18 Driftwood) if he had received them.

Lunn's campaign manager Bruce Hallsor said he did not receive either an initial January 6 e-mail message containing the questions and deadline or a follow-up query from the Driftwood on January

An angry Lunn said last week he is always open to answering journalists' questions and that we should have called him — even at home or on his cell-phone — to get his responses

Since this is the second election in a row that Driftwood's standard method failed to get a response from Lunn, we'll certainly do that next time, and we apologize to Mr. Lunn for not pursuing him when no response was received from him or his campaign by the evening of January 16.

However, since others had trouble making contact with the Lunn campaign, we suggest communication improvements should also be made on their end.

Lunn did not participate in Monday Magazine's candidate question section, despite its staff's persistent use of the telephone.

Monday writer Andrew McLeod told the Driftwood he called Lunn's campaign office at least four times within a four to five-day period requesting Lunn's time for an interview, but received no

Driftwood advertising staff also received no response when they inquired as to the whereabouts of copy for a pre-booked ad.

Further, the Salt Spring all-candidates meeting format was apparently lost twice in the shuffle and was requested by Lunn staff less than 48 hours before the event.

That said, we can confirm that Lunn has always made himself accessible to Driftwood editorial staff, appears to do the same for his constituents and we look forward to watching his next stint in

Community support wanted for detox recovery camp

By BRENNAN CHOUINARD

David Shebib started the Freedom Camp two years ago, which has been an issue in the community ever since. He abandoned the camp and I stepped in.

My name is Brennan and I came from Surrey, living in a basement suite taking in addicts. Previously I lived in Vancouver during the Woodwards incident and three separate tent cities. They allowed me to come and do the recovery thing amongst them. In Surrey, things had been falling apart for me. There were issues with neighbours and others about having these people in their community.

I don't want to fight you. I

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understand your concerns and I do not want to impose on you, but addiction is becoming an epidemic. Only a few seem to know how bad it's getting. Things are getting worse in the cities and on the street. Crack can even be found in the rural communities and in many high schools. Meth is everywhere and every user I know lies about it, even to their parents. I am determined to do all can -- with God's help -- to live the solution and fight any who

oppose the recovery movement of lives and government resources. my generation.

My goal with the camp from where I came in was "recovery park." A refuge and sanctuary where people can come 24/7. I have been trying to achieve results for several years and have been planted on the beach where our first fruits should occur.

I'm not alone. There are many watching to see how this develops. This may not be the best place for this ministry to grow, but now is the time to start a recovery program that works, along with similar ventures across Canada, or we as a nation will continue to pay ever-increasing costs in human

The government is stumped and has less than a two per cent recovery rate, despite its election claims. Others have tackled the drug problem in an unusual way with amazing results. See www. ststephenssociety.org/jackie/ index.htm.

Now you may not think God can help these people, but he has helped me. God's not dead. He's not even sick! Even AA gives credit to a higher power in aiding the recovery of its patrons.

All I'm asking is for time and space to develop this project - a detox recovery camp unlike anything in the country. As a camp

community we have tried to work with our neighbours, but they don't seem to know what's going on down there.

The government as an institution of law is not able to deal with the spiritual issues of addiction. Welfare, although very important, is often misused to feed the addiction. Salt Spring Island is the best place for a pilot project of this kind to occur. The community at large is a healing and refreshing place. And you will be given more than just boasting rights through the nation when this project is successful.

The writer lives at Freedom Camp at Drummond Park.

Ganges Harbour panel kicks off new broad-vision era

and LUISA MAFFI

That the health of the Gulf Islands ecosystems is increasingly at risk is becoming self-evident.

On Salt Spring, decline in diversity and numbers of bird species is but one telltale sign. Toxic algal blooms in several of our major water reservoirs are another; algal scum in Ganges Harbour in mid-summer is yet another.

These and many other signs of failing ecosystem health are due in large part to the pattern of development over the past decade.

We can no longer ignore the mounting evidence that healthy ecosystems are vital to maintaining human health, as well as social, cultural, and economic well-being.

Doing so would ultimately result in our losing the very thing that has attracted most of us to our islands: their unique natural and cultural

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might be done on Salt Spring and elsewhere to reverse these disquieting trends?

What is needed is a longterm vision of where we as a community want to be 10, 20, 50 years from now, and how we might get there.

To be viable, the vision must first and foremost be designed at the outset as inclusive, with the full participation of all sectors of our society.

It should not and cannot, if it is to succeed, be forged by pitting the interests of one group against those of

Polarization of issues will inevitably result in losses for all. Restoring health to our island ecosystems is everybody's business and responsibility.

What might be some of

Salt Spring Island? We propose the following four-step

1) Educational programs focussing on ecosystem health and human well being: We need active educational programs on the island for participation of people of all ages - from preschool to seniors - directed toward discovering what it takes to maintain the health and full functionality of our ecosystems and the likely consequences of

failing to do so. Local examples abound of both healthy and degraded ecosystems: we need to learn how to tell them apart.

2) A comprehensive planning process for ensuring healthy ecosystems: This planning process should build upon the official community plan, and in the process provide concrete guidelines that reflect social, cultural, economic,

ing healthy ecosystems on future development on Salt balances rights with respon-Spring.

Such guidelines should no longer permit developments that are likely to compromise our streams, lakes, wetlands, near-shore, forests, fields, as well as our core cultural

A community participatory process that is inclusive: We need revitalized advisory groups that will bring the various stakeholders together and carry forth a vision that enhances our capacity to achieve healthy ecosystems, drawing upon external expertise as

Above all, their advice needs to become a critical and central part of the planning process, rather than be treated as an add-on that can safely be ignored.

As a community, we must recognize the interplay between a vibrant healthy society and economy and a vibrant healthy ecology.

sibilities: Such a code of ethics will hold as sacrosanct both the rights and the responsibilities for our way

As a society, we are all too well aware of our rights, e.g. those that attach to private property ownership. However, in the interest of the entire community - both present and future generations — we need to become aware of the responsibilities that go hand in hand with

As a community, we need to discuss openly the responsibilities for ecological and social well-being that exist along with property rights.

And we need to discuss how we should respond to those among us who would put their economic self-interest first, without regard for the ecological and social consequences of their actions.

Through a concerted com-

for ecological and social responsibilities that would contribute significantly to protecting and restoring our unique natural and cultural

An ideal beginning for these discussions is close at

We encourage readers to attend the upcoming Salt Spring Island Conservancy educational event called Ganges Harbour - a Healthy Ecosystem? which takes place on Friday, January 27 at 7 p.m. at the Community Gospel Chapel.

This event may well be the kick-off for a new era of broad vision and long-term planning resulting in preserving our cultural and ecological values while ensuring sustainable livelihoods.

The writers are international consultants in the fields of ecology, health and culture who reside on Salt

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What are your thoughts on Monday's election results?



Nelson Graham I'm not really that surprised and am pleased it's a minority government so everyone can be kept in



Irene Roper I'm disappointed. I was hoping Mr. Harper would get a majority. If he uses some common sense and soft-pedals some of those Conservative polices he may do better next time.



Darin Craig It's nice to see change. It'll be interesting to see if they follow through with any of their promises like cutting back the GST.



Judy Currie Only time will tell for sure.



Sarah Piggett I don't have a television so I still don't know who won.

Letters to the Editor

Oh, please

Can we please not get into another battle of the brains, war of the experts, rabble of "he said, she said." good cop, bad cop debate or a continuum of town hall meetings and public debates over the issue of the gypsy

This issue should have an easy solution! Both sides seem to agree that the gypsy moth should be gone. The only problem is how it should be eradicated.

I would expect that living on Salt Spring Island, the "Capital of the Environmentally Correct World," that we would not debate the issue of spraying to rid ourselves of the gypsy moth. It appears to me that the only issue is that spraying would be quicker and perhaps more effective.

Do we really care what happened in New Zealand or what the manufacturer of the spray says or what the composition of the spray is? What we should care about is Salt Spring Island and the reasons that we are here and why we stay here. So let's just not spray.

Therefore, in the spirit of a good old-fashioned rural event, let's gather the population of Salt Spring and set forth to squish, squash, stomp or burn every gypsy moth and its nests in the Maxwell area.

Let's call upon the schools, the churches, the businesses, the organic farmers, the nonorganic farmers, everyone, from everywhere on the island to gather in the Maxwell area and be responsible for ridding a specified area of the gypsy moth. Let's make it an annual event so that the population of the gypsy moth is controlled every year.

Surely this will keep both sides of the issue happy! So, please, can we not make this another Crofton mill, vacation rental, cell tower, power lines, incorporation, tennis courts, library site, Ganges Harbour issue that goes on forever, splitting island groups into separate war camps.

Please, just tell me where to be, what to do and when I need to be in the Maxwell area so I can stomp the gypsy moth into extinction and spare myself months of Driftwood debate on the

JACKIE BERRY. Ganges

More diligent

The tennis bubble problem has been at least partially created by the failure of John Gauld and Trust staff to do their job. They should have advised Bill Curtin and PARC that there were problems with the Agricultural Land Reserve and a building permit at Portlock Park.

Some might say that it is the individual or group that should look into the situation first. However, the bubble has been a community issue and prominent Driftwood news for some time. My belief is that paid public servants, in matters such as this, have a responsibility to advise public boards, even before the fact, rather than

If no temporary use permit is available, then perhaps we should plant a large community cornfield in the middle of the running track.

Curtin and PARC have worked hard at trying to solve the indoor tennis situation. For those who criticize the board, let's not forget that it is a volunteer group, whose compensation is zero. They and many other volunteer boards on the island serve with community interest at heart. They should be thanked for their dedication, not pilloried. Trust planners are being paid. They should have been more diligent in advising PARC

RON MARTIN, Murrelet Place

Mountain

While I would not criticize the hard work and sincerity of those who have helped protect our mountain habitats, I question where they have been with regards to other unique island environ-

There is an area on Salt Spring in which the land falls towards the sea in four directions. From this high point of almost 100 level pastoral areas, one has a sense of sky rare on this "emerald isle."

Farmed for over 100 years, it has historical and environmental value. From the ancient cemetery to the north, the old turkey farm to the south, the golf course in the east, the playing fields of Portlock to the west, Central is a special piece of Salt

The last thing we should do on this land is to put up one of the largest enclosed spaces on Salt Spring; a building that rises high above the legal limits of a normal residence.

I am sure that some of those who would play in the proposed tennis building have campaigned earnestly to protect other areas on our island. But let us ask ourselves; should we sacrifice so much for so few? There are good reasons that this land has been protected in the past. Let us continue to do so

JEFF SAVIN, Vesuvius Bay Road

Less true?

I welcome the school board's commitment to making our school district's business company more accountable to the public. (January 18 Driftwood article.)

With our school system increasingly dependent on a private business company turning a profit on a private school in Poland and an international student program, we should know what's going on.

At the same time, calling this situation "less than ideal" drastically understates what's at stake. Simply put, we no longer have a publicly funded school system. School District 64 is now a public-private partnership.

If we learned that Lady Minto Hospital could keep its doors open only by making money running a private hospital in Romania, we'd figure, rightly, that our public health care system was in crisis.

We'd be demanding not just answers, not just accountability, but leadership from our elected trustees. We'd expect them to be calling public meetings, explaining the situation, analyzing the causes, rallying supporters and mobilizing a campaign to save public health care.

Why should this be any less true for our schools? MURRAY REISS, **Fulford**

MORE LETTERS A10

Gypsy moth solution shouldn't need chemical intervention

The following is a response to John Sprague's In Response piece in last week's Driftwood.

Like you, I too have worked on attempts to eradicate bugs during my aggie career. First it was the larvae of Laconti Saw Fly with DDT when I was a 17-year-old junior forest ranger in the Ganaraska Watershed in Ontario. That 1950s outbreak was a man-made disaster. Planting a full mono-cultural diet of white pine was a banquet for the fly. It was supposed to be a means of controlling soil erosion by reforesting burnt-out farm land. Rocket science wasn't brilliant then. What ensued was a very dangerous attempt to control the feeding frenzy associated with stupidity.

Next it was the early '60s with the farm boy on a DDT swivel fogger with Cedarvale tree experts in Toronto. We fogged and fogged in a vain attempt to "eradicate" the elm bark beetle, which vectored the Dutch elm disease to Ontario's stately street-side trees.

GUEST COLUMN

That didn't work either. Dropped lots of robins, though. Lucky I didn't kill myself in the process!

When it came to aerial spraying of gypsy moths on Salt Spring in the early '90s, I too poo-pooed what I saw to be yet another emotional over-reaction about nothing. After Gail Richards provided me with valid information about what was really underlying that, I took it seriously. As a result I was seconded (along with the late Frank Coffey and Dan Jason) to be part of a three-day hearing, where we grilled several Ag Canada agents of the program. What came out of that proved to me that there was indeed something very wrong that the community had to stop. What was being proposed for us was dangerous.

The community stopped the spraying that time. There have since been no significant infestations of gypsy moth on Salt Spring. We were obviously right to have stopped that industrial poisoning of our ecosystem. Go to www.savesaltspring.com for proof of that.

My observation is that we don't have the kinds of chemical interventions into our farm and forest landscapes that are common to most other parts of Canada. It is my contention then that our bird, wasp and other predator populations are still intact here on Salt

And, as in a New York State area where spraying was also stopped, Mother Nature is taking care of the moth for us.

The capture of fewer male moths and egg masses than in 1993 has prompted the intent to spray here this time. Mother Nature has taken care of things since then. Spraying will only shut mother down (for now) and once natural predators are either poisoned or starved out because humans waged germ/chemical warfare on bird and wasp food, spraying again and again, year after year to try to effect what nature can do better than us.

Now that the spray program is proposed by industry again, despite no return of the moth, I am again discovering even more alarming data about the dangers posed by gypsy moth spraying. The danger really involves the negative impacts of the spray itself, not the moth.

We don't know what's in the spray. Its contents are more trade secret chemicals than germs. Even banned synthetic chemical pesticides are allowed into the mix. That's allowed under U.S. law. We now get the secret formula from the U.S.A.

The constituents of the spray are not just one toxic germ. Certain scientific papers note the formula to be contaminated with many other unintended germs.

The spray could stem from a genetically engineered line of Bt. Also, scientific documents published since the first sprayings

then we'll just have to keep on of urban populations in the 1990s show evidence of severe negative impacts to the humans sprayed by this secret formulation.

I simply ask you, John: please go to the website the community now uses to post critical information about this spray initiative. For your own welfare and for the health of our potable water systems, please help the community stop this spraying again. Please don't deride and undermine those of us attempting responsibly to stop this insanity.

The spray area is way bigger than posted. Another reason to do this is that all certified organic farmers will in future be shut down by this aerial spray action.

Please go to www.savesaltspring.com and do whatever you can to help us bring what you yourself told me you want: a better solution to this ill-conceived

The writer is an organic farmer and long-time Salt Spring activ-



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We would like to thank all those individuals and organizations who offered us advice during a tempestuous 2005, many of whom we have just not had the time to reply to.

We would like to thank especially the folk at the Islands Trust, and the CRD, and Sheri Neilsen of the BC Environmental Farm Program, without whose generous help we would have floundered.

For more information contact us at 250-537-2089, email: bec988@telus.net. www.blennerhassettcanada.com 988 North End Road Salt Spring Island BC V8K 1L7

More letters

Sad sight

This is an epitaph to a massacred North Beach Road fir that was over 19 inches in diameter at the stump.

North Beach Road is a designated "heritage and scenic road" (see Map 15 in Volume 1 of the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan).

Just think, when everyone was busily decorating Christmas trees and preparing for family gatherings, one fir tree near the heritage Fernwood Dock was cut down into logs lying on the beachside (Crown land) where it fell. My heart fell too when I saw the sad sight. Why cut down a tree when its roots served to hold the soil together so we would not have so much soil erosion?

Now I have the answer. A permit was granted to the Nickel Brothers Co. to barge in another recycled house. The tree was in its way so it had to be cut down.

Why can't another site be found to bring in this house without cutting down trees? Do we want it to happen again on a heritage and scenic road or any road on our island? What protection do the trees have?

LING WESTON, North Beach Road

Venezuela

I'm writing to invite anyone interested in the Venezuelan revolution to contact me after I'm home again in late February.

I'll be glad to do a slide or video presentation for any interested groups. I'm here in Caracas now for the World Social Forum and will be visiting women's groups, indigenous groups and other community self-help groups after the forum is over. I hope to clarify some of the misinformation that abounds concerning Venezuela, but mainly I'll be presenting a report on my own first-hand experience here.

With a redistribution of oil

profit, a guarantee for health care written into the constitution, and record-breaking achievements in education, the Bolivarian revolution has already made good on many of its promises.

Between 2001 and 2003, banks gave out about \$50 million US in microcredit, mostly to rural, urban and small-business cooperatives. The number of cooperatives has risen from 800 when Chavez came to power to an estimated 40,000 today.

"Chavez is not a Cubanist and not a communist. He is a micro-capitalist who is using petroleum as the initial basis for internal social development," said Rafael Amaro, a teacher and community organizer.

However, there are challenges to his success from both within and outside of Venezuela. More on that and a report on the World Social Forum next time.

SHEILA REID, Canadian liaison for Pop Atz'iaq project in Guatemala

Helmet report

I am really happy to report that our first program for subsidizing the purchase of helmets and their use at the Kanaka Road Skatepark has proven quite successful.

This was been made possible by generous donations from the Gulf Islands Shrine Club, Salt Spring's volunteer firefighters and the Salt Spring Recycling Depot, and the co-operation of three retailers: Sports Traders Salt Spring, B Side Clothing Co. and Island Escapades.

Close to 100 skaters took advantage of the offer.

While we will never know just how many serious injuries these efforts have prevented, we do know of at least one, which in itself makes it worthwhile.

I would like to thank all of the above, but most of all, those skateboarders who purchased helmets and wore

Hopefully we can repeat the program in the spring. MEL SUMNER, **Cudmore Heights**

Tough choice

There goes another elec-

Let's see. As far as I could understand, the Liberals were accusing the Conservatives of being liars. The Conservatives said the Liberals were lying. And the NDP said they're both liars.

It was a tough choice for voters. All we knew for sure was that someone was lying.

I considered all the options, and I think it meant that if someone won a majority then everyone else was a liar. Of course, if no one won a majority it would mean the best (or worst) liars might win - but because they didn't lie well enough, they would have a minority.

Paul Martin said if anyone was lying, he didn't know about it. But he was still able to make good decisions.

But the other guy said he was a liar. Martin said he was lying about that. He found the liars and they're all gone. The other guy said there were still liars lurking around. Paul Martin said they all worked for Chretien. But so did he!

And of course Chretien never lied and he didn't lie about getting rid of the GST because he had his fingers crossed when he said it on national television. The cameras just didn't pick it up. It was actually our fault for not having bigger screens.

After watching the debates, voters definitely knew someone was lying. But who? No wonder voters were confused. With so many accusations flying around, how could they decide who was lying? It was almost as if we needed to hook them all up to a "truth meter," which would be displayed by a giant dial on our screens. It would go from "Telling the Truth — Fib — Come on Now — Stretching it - to He's Lying."

Come to think of it, that's not a bad idea. But heaven forbid, what would happen if they were all lying? Then what would we do? Gosh!

Elections have become like the two-shirt theory of going to the Arctic. You wear one shirt until you can't stand it. Then you wear the other one until you can't stand that one either. By that time the first one doesn't smell too bad.

But overall it is crucial that we listen to the arguments and the various platforms before making our informed decision. Your vote is important to bringing about change. But I might be lying.

ALLAN CREASEY,

Caribbean, formerly SSI

P.S. The Green Party didn't stand much of a chance. They aren't good enough liars. Too bad!

Fear factor removed

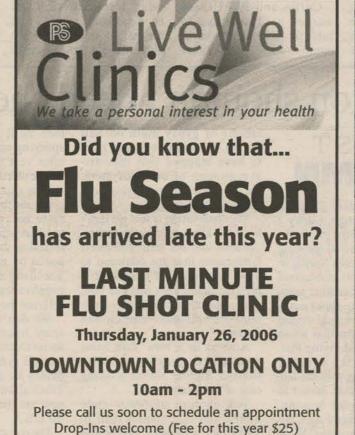
Have you ever sat in your vehicle at an intersection waiting for the car ahead to move and its driver won't do it until the car approaching from the left with its rightturn flasher on starts to make its turn?

They are afraid the vehicle will just drive straight through the intersection.

Roundabouts are the only solution and eliminate the fear factor as the vehicle entering the intersection first has the right of way.

Last year I rode in the front seat upstairs in a doubledecker bus from Glasgow to Kilmarnack in Scotland. It is amazing. Tour buses and semi-trailers hardly slow

Roundabouts are fast, efficient and safe. They work and we need them here. JOHN M. STEEL, Salt Spring



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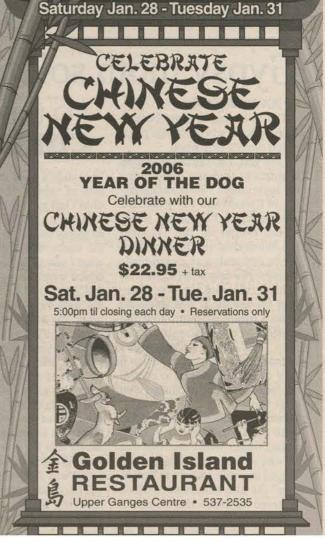
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Standing by grads as they step out

Editor's note: The following is the full text of Nairn Howe's speech given to the graduating class of 2005. Several people have asked for it to be published. Watch for more of Nairn's words and ideas to appear in the Driftwood in a regular ad format in coming issues, courtesy of her husband Bob

Graduates, parents, families and friends, staff and honoured guests.

It is indeed an honour to speak on behalf of the parents of this class . . . to share thoughts of the last 18 years and of those ahead.

We have all come so far and shared so much in this time, and yet there is still so much to say. I hope, that in speaking from my heart, I can do you justice on this very special day.

Many thanks, first of all, to everyone involved, for all the loving effort, from longterm planning to last-minute hectic details, that have made this ceremony memorable, and that will make this evening's after-grad celebration a success as well.

Graduates, it is a very special time in your lives, when you step onto a trackless path into tomorrow.

Graduation is nothing more than the completion of a year of education, and nothing less than your eclipse into adulthood.

from their view of the world . to look out from a higher plateau than the last generation. Your vision is not limited by what your eyes can see, but by what your mind can imagine.

Many things that you take for granted were considered unrealistic dreams by previous generations. If you accept these past accomplishments as your springboard, then think of the new horizons that you can explore! Your education and imagination will carry you places, which we won't believe possible, so make your life count and the world will be a better place because you tried!

Do what you love . . . what makes your heart sing . . . the money will follow, for your life will not be measured by the number of breaths you take, but rather the moments that take your breath away.

Discover this vast and wonderful country that is your home. Let the Chinook winds of the prairies speak to you; dip your feet in the Great Lakes; witness the great passing herd of caribou in our north and hold the red earth of the Maritimes in your hands.

Then, step further off this continent to the farthest reaches of the world. Celebrate adversity in your travels. Witness the simple joys, the pain and hear the hope for a better world from the people that share our global community. Harvest your thoughts, for when you

return you will know how to make your world, no matter where you may live, a better place to live.

But savour your journeys too . . . whether you study, work or travel, for 30 years from now, you will not remember the minute details of those vocations, but believe me, you will remember all the people that shared your path every step of the way

From GISS you will remember the chase from Provincials with all of your coaches; the precision and euphoria of performance in music, drama and dance; the power and magic of the spoken and written work from your English mentors; and the intrigue and drama from our historians.

The leadership and integrity of your principal and vice-principals will guide you in years to come in more ways than you'll ever know . . as will the brilliance and humour of our science team.

Whether you were a member of a sports team, a choir, a band, dance or improv group; a peer counsellor, tutor or leadership volunteer, the teamwork and respect you developed in those interests with your mentors will form the basis of your living and working relationships for the rest of your life.

And by growing up on these rocks, you have been blessed by the miracle of true community - knowing, caring for and being comforted by neighbours, friends and many you do not know. Savour this . . . treasure this .

. it is yours to carry in your hearts and create wherever your lives take you.

Read for the love of it. Write journals. Give your heart to someone, and hold tenderly those that are given to you in return.

Take jobs for interest sake. Recognize the power of coincidence and make the best decision for the day, nothing

And finally, never underestimate the power of giving, for it shines like a beacon throughout humanity.

After all this advice, surrounded by your peers, you must face squarely the fact that you stand alone. But though alone, you can nevertheless receive great strength and support from family and friends.

While we can't be with you physically in your journeys, know that with all our hearts, everyone of us is standing beside you!

We will keep the home fires burning and the lantern in the window, should you need to rest your weary

We love you dearly and in case we haven't told you today, we are VERY proud of you!

Good luck! (And with much, much,

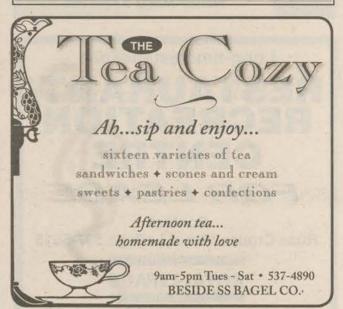
much love) XO Mum

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Straw man

I can only assume that John Sprague, in his defence of aerial spraying of Foray 48B and Btk, was creating a straw man and then setting it on fire.

He loquaciously countered arguments I'd never even heard voiced, though maybe I just missed a meeting or something.

What he failed to address was the real concerns that people have voiced, such as loss of organic status and the effectiveness of aerial bio/ pesticide spraying.

I could also add my personal concern for the respiratory health of the 20 lambs I'll have out in the pasture, but I'll get to that in a moment.

There are at least two organic farms in the spray

There are also two more farms in the spray zone that grow produce organically but have not applied to be certified. There are also two vineyards in the spray

The loss of certification or loss of customer presumption of pesticide, biocidefree produce would be a significant blow to farming and wine growing in this productive area.

Second, dumping broadspectrum bio/pesticides from airplanes is not the most efficient way to eradicate a small infestation of gypsy moths.

Trapping, which is the same way we found out we had these moths in the first place, is an extremely effective method for stopping an infestation and it doesn't kill every other living moth and butterfly in the area.

It was tried on a little city called London, England and was found to be very effec-

Finally, it is a stupid idea to aerosol spray a bacteria combined with a sticky

surfactant over a pasture of newborn and nursing lambs. Lambs breathing in that stuff are in trouble.

Yes, I could try to lock them in the barn, but it's a tricky business getting lambs and nursing moms to do much of anything on

But as Saanich-Victoria found out in 1993-94 and Duncan found out in 1999, the sprayers don't accurately tell you when they're going to spray.

And I'm not going to keep them in the barn from April to mid-June.

Face it, it's a pea-brained idea to aerial spray productive organic farmland and pastures with newborn ani-

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Toes Toes Toes Green Party's Lewis wins GISS vote

At Gulf slands Secondary School (GISS), the new year is off to a roaring start!

been busy.

· With the occurrence of a

federal election, the student

government at GISS has

For the small division

of the leadership commit-

tee, January 19 brought the

federal student vote to the

school. Following a student-

represented all candidates

meeting (with Julian Wil-

helmson, Heather and Fiona

Munro, Jacob Schweda and

myself, representing the

Green, NDP, Conservative,

Western Block and Liberal

parties respectively,) 355 of

the 600 students cast their

Green Party leader

Andrew Lewis came in first

place with 50.1 per cent of

the student votes. NDP Jen-



nifer Burgis came second with 32.4 per cent, Liberal Sheila Orr 6.6 per cent, Conservative Gary Lunn 6.5 per cent and Western Block leader Patricia O'Brien 2.0 per cent.

· Because of the teachers' strike last fall, the start date for provincial exams was postponed to February 6 when they usually take place the last week of January.

Naturally, the school is therefore gearing down for exams, semester turnaround and what is ultimately a second start to the school year with brand new courses for everyone starting in Febru-

However, with the end of a semester also comes the

time for performances. Many dance, drama and music classes all come to an end in February and time must be booked for the classes to showcase their talent to the

· Last Tuesday, January 17, the music department, directed by Bruce Smith, held its annual winter concert, where over six groups (and smaller ensembles) took to the stage with pieces they have been rehearsing since September.

· On January 19-20, directly following the music show, the Acting 11/12 class, taught by Jason Donaldson, performed its play Marat/ Sade. Based on the assassination of Jean Paul Marat, as directed by Monsieur de Sade, the play was set in an insane asylum during the French Revolution.

· Sandra Locke's visual arts classes also had a display at ArtSpring, with their work on show throughout

the week of January 16. · This week, on Wednesday and Thursday, January 25-26, Sonia Langer's Dance

community.

11/12 class will present Choreographed completely by students, the first half of the show will feature small self-directed ensembles, while the second

ent human emotions. · The Peer Tutoring Program at GISS started a new fundraising program this year. In October, Scorpion Spirit wristbands went on sale for \$4 each, with all proceeds benefitting an orphan-

is Colours, an entire class

production presenting differ-

age in Thailand. Now the \$355 US raised has been sent off and the response from the Bright Sky Orphanage has been overwhelming.

· As well as being a busy time of year for the arts programs of the school, it is also the middle of basketball season - and this year the Scorpions have hit the courts in full force.

The senior boys and girls basketball teams hosted the Nairn Howe Memorial Tournament on January 14-15, where the senior boys placed first with no losses.

Coached by Lyall Ruehlen, the senior boys also attended a 32-team tournament in Victoria last weekend.

The boys have more tournaments booked every weekend until provincial championships in March.

Between training and games, the teams have a full schedule without a doubt!

On Thursday, January 19, junior boys and girls travelled to Chemainus for a tournament. Junior boys won two out of three games and the girls placed fourth in their league.

At this time of year, with performing arts, academic, leadership and athletic oriented students all at their busiest, Scorpion pride is not hard to find - especially when you walk in the door at GISS.



A dozen roses to the best mum, Shannon Tara, who has been there always for me and continues to be! TT

Sweet wild hedgerow roses to Pam Ellacott at Salt Spring Garbage Services for kindly disposing of the old futon that someone dumped in our bus shelter. Warm thanks from all the kids at the Beaver Point Hall bus stop. Now we can stay dry!

Beautiful bouquets of spring flowers to all the safe drivers on Salt Spring who continue to suffer the boneheads who refuse to put on their car lights even though the days are often dark and rainy. Please keep

Short cuts to cooking for one or two @ with Sarah Lynn

and form the basis of an appetizer or main course.

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cooking spray. Using a 1/4-cup measure, fill it with batter and pour it into the skillet. Immediately pick up the pan and tilt and swirl so that the batter covers the entire bottom of the pan. Pour any excess batter back into the bowl. Loosen the edges of the crêpe with a spatula. You can use a spatula or fingers to turn the crêpe. Cook on the other side (usually less than a minute) and slide it onto a plate. Cover with waxed paper. Repeat with the remaining batter. Extra crepes can be frozen for future use. To assemble: Place one

crepe on a plate, spoon filling down the middle of the crepe from top to bottom (like a taco) and fold over in a half circle. Serve with a prepared Hollandaise sauce or your own recipe.

that they are lighter, thinner and are utilized in both sweet and savoury dishes.

sweet or savoury fillings They are often accompanied by some kind of sauce

flashing your lights at them until they realize they are a danger on our roads! Another batch of bouquets for all the parents that will sit their "large children" down and explain the concept of being "dead right" in connection with stepping into a crosswalk. A surprising number don't look at all and some step out with a defiant glare, challenging you to stop that car on a dime! DL

Roses to Darrell at Studio One for the amazing haircut! I feel and look beautiful! You've done a terrific job! Thank you. EB

Huge overflowing bouquets of "Peace" roses for the Green Party election campaign volunteers. Your commitment, faith, grace,

and hard work, keeps hope alive for a better world. Thank you. Andrew.

Rants to the impatient young female store clerk carrying boxes on Friday, who sharply shoulder-checked the clearly blind man who had a white cane and who was being slowly escorted by his cautious, sighted companion. When a moment later I suggested you could have knocked him down, your amazing retort was that he bumped into you! Who is the blind one, I wonder? If you had knocked him down, and liability issues arose for you and your employer, luckily he would have had a witness who gave a damn. P. McCarthy

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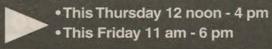


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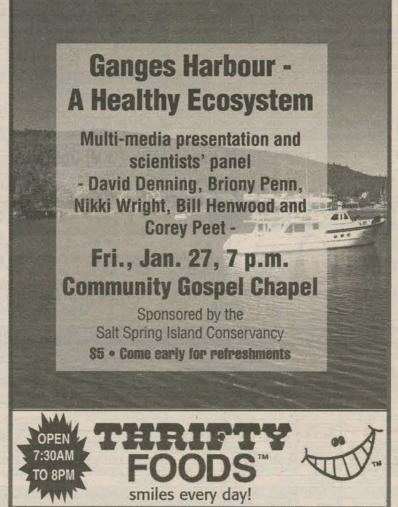
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THIS WEEK'S **MOVIES**

Salt Spring Driftwood: Main Movie Breakout for Jan 25, 2006 to Jan 31, 2006

WEDNESDAY, JAN 25

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** Saint Monica (2002, Family) A neglected girl learns what it means to be an ange when she helps a troubled woman. Genevieve Buechner, Clare Coulter (1h30)

7:00 PM

3 *** The Rage In Placid Lake
(2003, Comedy) A teenage outcast decides
to horrify his New Age parents by embracing
conformity. Ben Lee, Rose Byrne (1h30)

20 *** * Blazing Saddles (1974, Western) The first black sheriff in the Wild West battles a politician's evil plot to ruin a town. Gene Wilder, Cleavon Little (2h)

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3 *** Osama (2003, Drama) A 12year-old Alghan girl disguises herself as a boy in
order to help her mother. Marina Golbahari,
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3 ** A Woman Hunted (2003,
Thriller) A rape incident threatens a struggling
mother's attempts to start a new life. Alexandra
Paul, Tim Post (2h)

3 ** The Wedding Planner (2001,
Romance) A workaholic wedding planner
falls for the engaged doctor whose wedding she
is organizing. Jennifer Lopez, Matthew
McConaughey (2h)

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130 ** Indochine (1992, Drama) In
1930s Vietnam, a wealthy French mother and her
adopted daughter both fall for a sailor. Catherine

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Deneuve, Linh Dan Phan (2h45)

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3 ** What the Bleep Do We Know?
(2004, Comedy/Drama) Quantum physics
are put into simple terms while examining what
little we know about life. Marlee Matlin, Elaine
Handrin (2h). Hendrix (2h)

THURSDAY, JAN 26

7:00 PM

Time Action (2004, Action) Frank
Gannon is hunted by his fellow police officers after
he exposes police corruption. Dolph Lundgren,
Polly Shannon (2h)

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23 ** Battle of the Coral Sea (1959, War) Japanese soldiers capture a submarine and send the crew to an island forces' base. Cliff Robertson, Gia Scala (2h)

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63 *** The Fugitive (1993, Thriller) A doctor wrongly convicted of murdering his wife runs from the law to prove his innocence. Harrison Ford, Sela Ward (2h30) 9:00 PM

* Blood Suckers (2005, Horror) Intergalactic vampire hunters arrive to rid the universe of vampires. Leanne Adachi, A.J.

Cook (2h)

29 ** Autumn Leaves (1956, Drama)
A lonely career woman briefly finds happiness when she marries a handsome younger man. Joan
Crawford, Cliff Roberston (2h) 10:00 PM

Private Capital (1989, History) Recreates Ottawa high society at turn of century. Gordon Clapp, Martha Burns (3h)

11:00 PM

3 ** Be Cool (2005, Comedy) Chilli
Palmer leaves the movie business to take over his friend's music business. John Travolta, Uma Thurman (2h)

FRIDAY, JAN 27

The American Justice (1994, Western) A nearly blind gunslinger takes on a band of bandits while protecting a baby. Armand Assante,

* XXX: State of the Union (2005, **Action)** A military splinter group threatens to overthrow the US government. *Ice Cube*, Samuel L. Jackson (2h)

MXP: Most Xtreme Primate (2002, Family) An amazing chimp embarks on a new adventure when he takes up snowboarding. Devin Drewitz, Trevor Wright (1h30)

8:00 PM

*** Nemesis (1987, Mystery) If
Ms. Marple solves a 'certain crime' mentioned in a
will, she'll receive 20,000 pounds. Joan Hickson,

Peter Tilbury (2h)

**Black Knight (2000, Drama) An amusement park employee suffers a blow to the head and awakens in the 14th century. Martin Lawrence, Marsha Thomason (2h)

22 ★★ The Road to Wellville (1994, Comedy) A couple experiencing marital problems converge on a turn-of-the-century spa in Michigan.

Sir Anthony Hopkins, Bridget Fonda (2h30)

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3 ** Dear Frankie (2004, Drama) A single mother hires a stranger to pose as a father in order to hide the truth from her son. Emily Mortimer, Jack McElhone (2h)

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FRIDAY, JAN 27 9:00 PM

4 ** Gattaca (1997, Sci-Fi) A natural born man breaks free of his imperfect genetic order by impersonating someone else. Uma Thurman, Ethan Hawke (2h) Personal tragedy leads a cocky, undisciplined
Navy pilot to reassess his abilities. Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis (1h30)

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*** The Great Escape (1963, War) During the war, Allied POWs escape a camp through a network of laboriously excavated tunnels. Steve McQueen, James Garner (2b)

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The Going the Distance (2004, Comedy) Nick sets out for Toronto to stop the woman of his dreams from falling prey to a music producer. Christopher Jacot, Joanne Kelly (1545)

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(1976, Political) Two reporters expose the greatest scandal in American political history, Watergate. Robert Redford, Dustin Hoffman (2h)

SATURDAY, JAN 28 6:00 PM

5 * The Fourth Protocol (1987, Spy) A Russian agent is ordered to frame the Americans and stage a nuclear accident in England. Michael Caine, Pierce Brosnan

20 ** * Tomorrow Never Dies (1998, Action) Agent 007 teams up with a Chinese agent to stop a crazed media baron from starting a war. Pierce Brosnan, Michelle Yeoh (3h) *** Tomorrow Never Dies (1998, 7:00 PM

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3 ** The Merchant of Venice
(2004, Drama) A businessman borrows money from a moneylender who charges an unusual form of interest. Al Pacino, Jeremy Irons (2h15)

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Crime Story) Loyallies are put to the test when a hitman's son witnesses what he does for a living. Tom Hanks, Paul Newman (3h) 9:00 PM

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(B) ** The Last Wedding (2001,

Drama) A young Jewish couple decide to get
married and meet resistance all the way to the
altar. Ben Ratner, Frida Betrani (2h)

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 ** Before and After (1995,
 Suspense) A husband and wife disagree about covering-up for their son who may have committed murder. Liam Neeson, Meryl Streep (1h45)

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13 ** Hostage (2005, Action) A family is taken hostage and police chief Jeff Talley must see to it that everyone survives. Bruce Willis, Kevin Pollak (2h)

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2 *** The Grapes of Wrath
(1940, Drama) A poor family migrates
from Oklahoma to California during the Great
Depression. Henry Fonda, Jane Darwell
(2h)

10:45 PM

(1) *** Airplane! (1980, Comedy)

A traumatized veteran must save the day when an airplane crew gets food poisoning. Robert Hayes, Lloyd Bridges (1h30)

11:15 PM

** Carolina (2003, Romance) A young woman escapes her wildly eccentric family in search of a normal life. Julia Stiles Alessandro Nivola (1h30)

SUNDAY, JAN 29

* What's Eating Gilbert Grape?

(1993, Drama) A young man is forced to care for his autistic brother and obese mother in a small town. Johnny Depp, Juliette Lewis (2h30) ★★★ Conspiracy (2001, History)

In 1942, Hitler's men gathered to discuss the pros and cons of his latest directive. Kenneth Branagh, Stanley Tucci (2h)

Two reporters in South Africa are affected by testimony provided by victims of the Apartheid. Samuel L. Jackson, Juliette Binoche (2h) * Wyatt Earp (1994, Western) The story of the legendary sheriff-gunslinger and his attempts to clean up the West. Kevin Costner, Dennis Quaid (4h)

8:00 PM 8:00 PM

3 * Joe Somebody (2001, Comedy/
Drama) An unassertive single dad revamps his image after he is beaten up by the office bully.

Tim Allen, Julie Bowen (2h)

8:30 PM

12) ** The Man Who Cried (2000, Drama) A gifted vocalist travels to Paris where she falls for a poor but handsome gypsy. Christina Ricci, Cate Blanchett (2h)

9:00 PM (E) * * 28 Days Later (2002, Horror) A virus that transforms humans into angry zombies kills all but a handful of survivors. Cillian

Murphy, Naomie Harris (2h30)

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Branagh, Stanley Tucci (2h)

| ** * My Father, the Hero (1994, Comedy) To impress the boy of her dreams, a teenage girl passes her father off as her lover.

| **Gérard Depardieu, Katherine Height

Best-selling author Pat Conroy recounts his experiences as an unconventional teacher. Alfre Woodard, Frank Langella (2h) 10:00 PM

** Bride and Prejudice:
Bollywood Musical (2004, Musical) Mrs. Bakshi wants her daughters to marry and tries to match them with two gentlemen. Aishwarya Rai, Martin Henderson (2h)

GULF ISLANDS DRIFTWOOD & WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2006 A PAGE A15

High school musicians mesmerize again

By ANDREA **RABINOVITCH**

Driftwood Contributor

Bruce Smith, music teacher at Gulf Islands Secondary School, produced an excellent assortment of musical genres - jazz and pop standards interspersed with classical pieces with a variety of instrumentation — and mixed it up in a just-right length last Tuesday night at ArtSpring.

Master of ceremonies was the unbelievably self-possessed Jacob Schweda, who introduced all the sections and kept the continuity flow-

The concert opened with drummer Luke Giefing and bass player Julian Smith grooving on a riff that was interrupted by three young Vivaldi-playing violinistss Olivia Budd, Jasmine Dine and Helena Bryn-McLeod.

It ended as the rhythm section exited with disgust at being one-upped by the

The junior guitar class shuffled on in their musician blacks and white cotton socks to render a lovely piece entitled Pentagram by local musician Peter Taschuk, followed by senior guitar students Steven Kao, Josh Cook and Aaron Trory showing impressive manual dexterity in an unusual arrangement of the Eagles' Hotel California backed by the entire ensemble.

The senior jazz band is always a treat and they did not disappoint with Bluesette where Eryn Kreiger on trumpet and Dalhi Gonthier on tenor sax strutted their considerable skill.

Kao, Cook and Trory followed with a gorgeous piece by Taschuk entitled Choro Pacifico.

Because of my seat in the right front row, I was mesmerized by Kao's exquisite finger work eliciting a lovely

The junior choirs' rendition of Spiderman really



MUSICAL MAGI-CIANS: Guitarists from Gulf Islands Secondary School and members of the junior choir rehearse at ArtSpring prior to their one-night show last week.

Nairn Howe, left the audience misty-eyed, but Smith's choice to end with The Beatles' Ob-la-di ob-la-da with the message of "life goes on" was uplifting.

The senior jazz band's Gentle Piece by Kenny Wheeler and the rollicking Sandunga by Arturo Sandoval highlighted solos by numerous musicians.

Julian Smith's fresh face belies an awesome talent on

The one disappointment was that it was only one

Proud family members, friends and fellow students sold out ArtSpring, but GISS music concerts, and especially this one, are fine evenings of musical entertainment not to be missed.

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rocked, with Bea Schreiber admirably leading, and U2's MLK offered lush harmonic

Dustin Van Wyck, Neda Savecheva and Nadia Nowak, intermediate players, charmed with Estudio by Francisco Tarrega.

Performing Summer in Central Park by Frank Bencriscutto, the junior concert band conjured imaginative meanderings of the big city, highlighted by a Rebecca Hylands alto sax solo.

After the intermission, the junior concert band continued with Fantasia and Fugue by J.S. Bach, a complex piece that showcased an especially strong string section.

Steven Kao's guitar solo was a testament to the brilliance of the international program bringing such talented young people to our

This time out, many students from the program broadened the Salt Spring

The senior choir with solos by Emily Little and Caroni Young on He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother showed the joy of young people joining together in song with Little and Young sharing lines back and forth.

Next, a beautiful madrigal entitled Three Ravens, elevated the rafters.

Aaron Trory's own composition to lyrics by Peter Weiss, the playwright of "Marat/Sade," a play performed a week later by the Drama 11/12 class of GISS, showcased a budding Kurt

Performed by Trory and Gwen Temmel, it was Brechtian in nature and highly entertaining. I'm waiting for Trory's full-length musi-

The senior choir's In Remembrance, dedicated to





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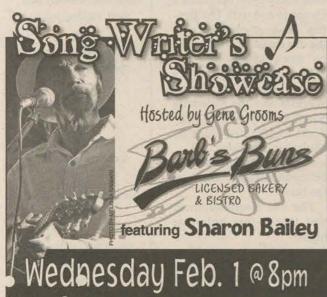
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Sangha's eastern sounds at studio

A band blending contemporary and traditional. Middle Eastern and East Indian music plays at Ganges Yoga Studio on Thursday night.

"Sangha mixes Persian, Indian and Arabic musical traditions into a modern, energetic and vital ensemble," states press material.

"There are moments of delicate subtlety and great emotional depth mixed with exciting virtuosic improvisation. The overall esthetic stays true to tradition, yet the compositions are contemporary."

Band members are Gordon Grdina on Arabic oud, Hidayat Honari on Persian tar, Indian tabla player Neelamjit Dhillon and Hamin Honari on tombek and daf.

Presented by Fat Planet World Music Promotions of Salt Spring, the January 26 Sangha concert begins at 7:30 p.m.



CHILD'S EYE: Sascha Gilbert-Stone is seen at a youth Tickets are \$15 at the art show held last week at ArtSpring.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Music award sends Get Some to Swollen Members' studio

A hip-hop group of homegrown Salt Spring musicians has been awarded a prestigious demo grant from Music B.C.

Get Some will receive time in Battle Axe Studios in Vancouver, the studio of Juno Award-winning recording artists Swollen Members.

As well, budding producer Geoff Riech (a.k.a. Stylust) will be working with Get Some in the studio to help polish their most anticipated music project act for childhood heroes to date.

Band members are the Salt Spring-raised Kemal Morris (aka Kemo), Roland Kaiser (The French Man), Mckinley Hlady (Nos) and Ian Reid (E-Z), while Victoria's John E. (Degree One) is the band DJ.

Get Some last performed on Salt Spring at a Core Inn fundraiser.

Since then the boys have been busy as the opening

ture films and a handful of snowboard and skateboarding videos.

Music B.C. is a non-profit organization dedicated to the growth of British Columbia

Naughty By Nature and

2LiveCrew's Victoria con-

certs, as well as lending

multiple songs to two fea-

More band info and links can be found at GETSOME. CA.

Island living in new book

Papers presented at an allislands conference on Denman Island in 2004 have been assembled into book form.

Called Islands of British Columbia 2004 - Conference Proceedings, it is now available at select stores in the Gulf Islands and will be the focus of an official book launch on Denman Island on Saturday, January 28.

The book captures the conference presentations from various experts on island living, history and ecology.

"Salt Spring's Briony Penn exploded some ecological principles, Denman's David Hicks challenged the conventional attitude to Scotch broom, Hornby's Gerald Hodge explored the edges of islands, Vancouver Island's Trudy Mitic shared a strange tale of Doukhobors imprisoned on Piers Island, Denman's Louise Bell examined the sustainability of today's approaches to land conservation on the Gulf Islands, and Bowen Island's Kathy Dunster inspired us with a proposal for a 'slow islands' movement," notes a press release.

Ten additional essays by researchers and writers provide thoughtful insights into numerous philosophical, social, ecological and historical issues of interest to island dwellers.

Copies are presently available locally at Salt Spring Books and Volume II, on Mayne Island and at Duncan's Volume I bookstore.

A \$28 cheque payable to Arts Denman can also be sent to PO Box 23, Denman Island BC V0R 1T0. Price includes postage.

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Shock value aside, high school presents first-rate Marat/Sade

By MITCHELL SHERRIN Staff Writer

An impassioned production of the disturbing play Marat/Sade left little doubt that youth thespians have matured at Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS).

Along with terrific displays of acting skill and visually sumptuous tableaux scenes, islanders were treated to some fairly horrific renderings of graphic violence and unsettling moments of sadomasochism.

Marat/Sade or, using the full title — The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat as Performed by the Inmates of the Asylum of Charenton under the Direction of Monsieur de Sade, is not a play for the faint of

Set in an 1808 insane asylum following the French Revolution, playwright Peter Weiss created a brutal and shocking intellectual battle between the ranting rage of the fervent radical Jean Paul Marat (played with zeal by Lowell Rockliffe), the individualistic nihilism of the aristocratic Monsieur de Sade (with detached sardonic calm by Corey Robinson) and the new ruling bourgeois class represented by the asylum director Coulmier (depicted with perfect pompous indignity by Ben Chernyk).

Even without whips, amputations, savage beatings, same-sex seductions or heretical speeches by defrocked clergy, Marat/

Sade speaks in a shocking vernacular of rebellion against convention. This was no Grease or Little Shop of

At one point, a chorus (Gwen Temmel, Carla Meller, Eveline Schaffener and Thierry Krebs) tromp around the stage singing, "What's the point of a revolution without general copulation?" accompanied by punk guitar riffs from Aaron Trory.

And, as part of a playwithin-a-play, actors mime a brutal execution while de Sade (Robinson) describes how cuts were filled with molten lead, arms and legs were ripped from the body and the bloody torso was hung before onlookers.

In another scene, de Sade (Robinson) discussed the shortcomings of revolutions while taking a lashing from an asylum inmate (Pandora Morgan) who exhibits perverse pleasure from her sadistic actions.

But if spectators got past the production's shock value, they would have observed outstanding orations by GISS actors in rich philosophical debates about the nature of power, the corruption of ideals and the ultimate failure of revolutions.

"Please calmly watch these barbarous displays, which could not happen nowadays. The men of that time, mostly now demised, were primitive; we, are more civilized," commented the jester moderator Herald (offered by an impeccable Ezra Fulford with a shock-therapy hairstyle and bubble-eyed goggles).

The whole production came off with a college or professional-level feel right through to authentic costumes, a layered set, moody lighting and atmospheric music. The acting was first rate.

Rockliffe gave a particularly impressive performance as the ranting revolutionary leader Marat - conducted in the style of a paranoid Ché Guevera or fever-addled Subcomandante Marcos.

Supporting performances by Morgan (as Marat's narcoleptic assassin Charlotte Corday), Halley Fulford (as a sympathetic rag-wringing nursemaid), Dejan Loyola (the counter-sermonizing revolutionary abbott) and Lisa Graston (who alternated between lusty groping and vomiting convulsions) added to the overall effect.

My one complaint about the production would be that wailing, zealous vomiting and brutal beatings occurring throughout the play under direction from GISS teacher Jason Donaldson might've been overemphasized and they obscured some performances and dialogue.

The only question left remaining is now that GISS actors have broken through the conventions of standard high school productions with a powerful play of revolt, what new theatrical world will they build in the wake?

Baroque sound at **ArtSpring** concert

On Sunday, January 29, ArtSpring's audience will be swept up in the timeless performances of Les Voix Humaines, one of Canada's most highly acclaimed interpreters of Baroque music.

Les Voix Humaines, Montreal's viola da gamba duo, has reached international acclaim for the superb and eloquent playing of Susie Napper and Margaret Little. Their venerable Baroque instruments seem so close to the human voice it "reaches the depths of the soul," conversing with expressive timelessness.

They will be joined by soprano Suzie LeBlanc and lutenist Sylvain Bergeron. Hailed as a "singer of the highest quality," LeBlanc is one of Canada's busiest performers on the international scene.

Bergeron, collaborator with a who's-who of early music musicians, is one of today's outstanding masters of lute, having taken part in more than 40 recordings and worked with many soloists.

"The viola da gamba is a very rare instrument that creates beautiful, expressive music," explains Paul Gravett, ArtSpring's executive director. "This alone will make a memorable experience and Suzie also happens to be one of my favourite

This is the second performance in the inaugural season of the On Stage Series, proudly sponsored by Old

A pre-concert chat begins at 1:30 p.m. and the show will start at 2:30. Contact the ticket centre at 537-2102 or tickets@artspring.ca to reserve tickets.



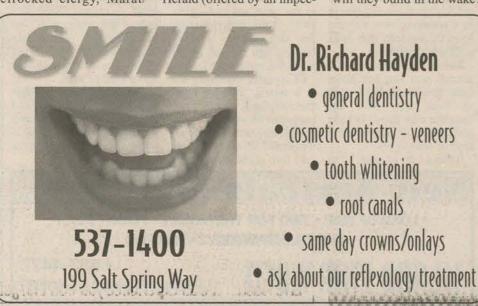


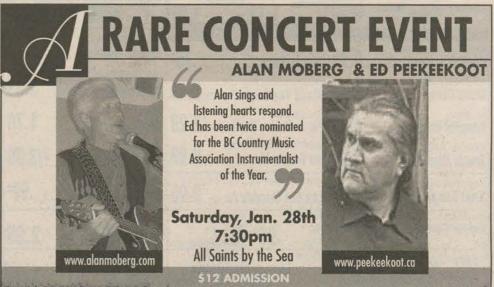












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Fraser, Haas at 'dream come true' shows

For traditional music fan Joyce Beaton, West Coast performances by Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser and cellist Natalie Haas will be nights to remember.

"This isn't just your typical fiddler and cellist coming. This is something pretty exceptional," said the San Francisco Scottish Fiddlers group member who lives on Vancouver Island.

Fraser and Haas are playing at ArtSpring on Saturday, February 4 and in Nanaimo, Vancouver, Victoria and Gibsons.

"To have Fraser come to my home territory is like a dream come true," said Beaton.

only is he a great musician but also a dynamic performer who engages people." Fraser is one of Scotland's

most famous fiddle players.

According to his website, "[his] richly expressive playing transports listeners across a broad musical spectrum, ranging from haunting laments from the Gaelic tradition to classically-styled airs, raucous dance tunes, and improvisations based on traditional themes.

His vast repertoire spans several centuries of Scottish music and includes his own compositions, which blend a profound understanding of

"People will see that not the Scottish tradition with of the Year honours at the cutting-edge musical explorations.

> He weaves through his performances a warm and witty narrative, drawing from a deep well of stories and lore surrounding Scotland's musical heritage.'

> Cellist Haas is a recent graduate of the Juilliard School and a member of Mark O'Connor's Appalachia Waltz Trio.

> "She has this incredible classical training," said Beaton, "but she much prefers to play traditional Scottish music.'

Fraser and Haas' album Fire and Grace won Album Scots Traditional Music Awards in 2004.

Beaton notes that cellos were a dance band instrument long before guitars were popular in that role, and Haas can make her instrument bound with driving rhythm.

'There's all kinds of people that his music appeals to and you certainly don't have to be Scottish to love his music," said Beaton.

The February 4 show begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available through the ArtSpring ticket centre: tickets@artspring.ca or 537-2102.



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Jazz standards and originals at Wall/Moshontz concert

Music Makers of the Anglican Parish launches its 10th season of Music and Munch programming on Wednesday, February 1.

"The year promises a fabulous selection of both well-known regular performers, as well as newcomers to the Music and Munch family," states a press release

The first recital of 2006 features Mike Wall and Ron Moshontz, who interestingly fulfill both these criteria. Wall has played for Music and Munch on several occasions, while Moshontz makes his debut in this venue.

Both are largely self-taught musicians, strongly influenced by and rooted in the music of American, African and European jazz traditions.

They met on Salt Spring at the home of saxophonist Monik Nordine in early 2005 and soon began exploring their own musical possibilities as a duo.

Wall, who plays soprano and tenor saxophones, and Moshontz, a jazz pianist, share an interest in playing both traditional jazz standards and in writing original music that emerges from their improvisations.

An industrial designer by profession, Wall first tried to teach himself saxophone while an art student in London, England in the early '70s and has never stopped trying.

In recent years he has performed regularly in a jazz duo with guitarist Paul

Moshontz is a recently landed fulltime resident of Salt Spring and a selfdescribed political refugee from the U.S.

He is retired from a 20-year career as a psychotherapist, and lives here with his wife, Sandra Meyer, a practising psychotherapist and painter, who also shares in the love of jazz.

Moshontz has seldom played piano in public: it is the Steinway grand piano at the All Saints' church and his enjoyment of playing music with Wall that has brought him out of the house for this mini-concert.

Free music begins at 12:10 p.m. in All Saints church, followed by an optional light lunch for \$5.50.

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Get set to shake head in dismay over Flightplan

removed from 9/11 to make than the trailers. Flightplan "that was it?" casual entertainment out of is essentially a mystery: It's true: Flightplan has it, films like the previously "What happened to Julia"? the sillest, most improbable currently reviewed Flightplan can afford to situate bad events on airplanes again.

Flightplan stars Jodie Foster as Kyle, a widow who is taking her husband's body and her young daughter Julia from their former home in Berlin to her parents' in the United States. Very quickly upon leaving Berlin in a spanking new airliner, Kyle falls asleep and Julia suddenly disappears.

Worse, no one on the aircraft ever saw her. Kyle, quite understandably, begins to freak out. Was her daughter ever there? Is Kyle going crazy, or is there some as Kyle becomes increasingly kind of conspiracy?

about the film is how it makes Kyle a difficult character to root for by milking the noxious stereotype of the hysterical woman: no one believes Kyle, and the film is careful not to give us any proof one way or the other.

The result is that we're in almost in the same position as the crew and passengers: we're faced with assuming that this woman is crazy. Nobody saw her kid on the plane, for cryin' out loud!

Of course, however, this is a movie, and we know that anything might have manic and almost tyrannical. Believe it or not, I'm And then it comes, the great get jobs, anyhow?

Now that we're far enough actually telling you far less end to the mystery, and we go

reviewed Red Eye and the What is most interesting of plot twists. Maybe that is being a little rough, but those of you that have a thing for pointing out plot holes might spontaneously explode when you find out what's really going on.

You'll be sitting there trying to recount the plot's events in your head, and then start to shake that very head in dismay. Said plot holes are enormous, so monstrously ridiculously enormous that I wondered if the film as a whole was some kind of joke.

The sad thing is that Flightplan is a pretty good happened. So we wait and wait little thriller right up until the moment of truth. How do some of these screenwriters

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WELCOME BACK: From left, George A. Capacci, Doreen Hewitt and Captain Roger Charron cut the cake as an open house is held on board the Queen of Nanaimo, celebrating the ferry's refit and return to the Long Harbour route.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

February 9 now set for 4-H registration

By SOFIA SHERRIN 4-H Reporter

At the start of each new year, the Salt Spring 4-H Community Club holds its annual registration night.

This year it will be held on February 9.

The 4-H club is aimed at children aged six and up, who are interested in animals, small engines, blacksmithing, public speaking, photography, sewing and more.

This year the projects in which you can enroll are: rabbit and cavy (guinea pigs), poultry, sewing and photography.

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An award-winning writer and co-author of the whole foods Nature's Recipes cookbook is offering a workshop at Ganges Yoga Studio on Saturday, January 28.

Farah Nazarali, who is also an avid cyclist and yoga teacher from Vancouver, will lead Health through Whole Foods from 1-4 p.m.

Workshop participants "will learn about various contemporary healthy diets and the benefits of each and how the food you choose to eat has a direct impact on your energy and moods," notes a yoga studio press release.

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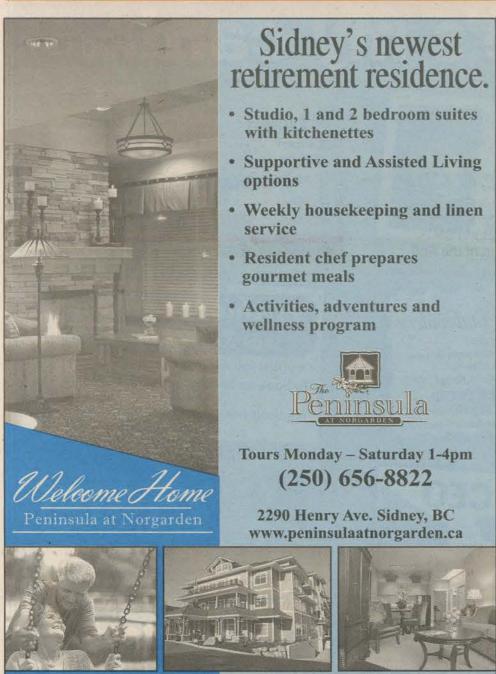
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Firefighters tackle the wall in lung association event

Local firefighters will go to great heights to raise at least \$2,000 for the B.C. Lung Association when they ascend the tallest building in Vancouver next month.

The Salt Spring Island Fire Department has entered a team of 10 firefighters in the 5th-annual Climb the Wall: The Stair Climb for Clean Air fundraiser set for February 19.

Wearing full fire-fighting gear with SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus), the firefighters will compete against other fire departments from around B.C. in the 48story (739-step) ascent up the Sheraton Wall Centre Hotel.

Each participant must raise a minimum of \$100 in donations, with all proceeds going to

support the fight against lung disease.

The Salt Spring team has set a team goal to raise \$2,000.

Participants include Kyle Beaumont, Dave Melanson, Uma Meyers, Fiona Foster, Mark Wyatt, Peter Ogis, Mike Bartle, Mitchell Sherrin, Aaron Hannah-Matin and John Ward - each of whom has been training several nights a week at North End Fitness.

Islanders can support the B.C. Lung Association and the Salt Spring Firefighters with a tax-deductible donation by seeing any of the participants or going online to www. climb2006.kintera.org and clicking on the Salt Spring Fire Department home page to make a team donation.

Ganges Harbour pulse taken at Friday night experts panel

The Salt Spring Island Conservancy has invited five scientists and naturalists to explore the state of Ganges Harbour to help islanders understand its current state of health.

Besides giving a spectacular multi-media presentation, they will also illustrate what an environmental assessment of the harbour would look like, and if restoration is warranted.

Friday, January 27 at 7 p.m. at the Community Gospel

The decision to engage the five experts was based on input from previous Islands Trust meetings, and a desire by past trustee Kimberly Lineger to have a harbour management plan, including an environmental assessment, created in the new

The five invited environmental experts are David Denning, Briony Penn, Nikki Wright, Bill Henwood, and Corey Peet.

Denning is a science edu-The event takes place on cator, naturalist and filmmaker who has lived on Salt Spring Island for 13 years. His film work includes the NFB production, The Intertidal Zone, and the videos:

Life At the Seas Edge and The Biology of Seashores all focussed on the diversity and ecology of seashores.

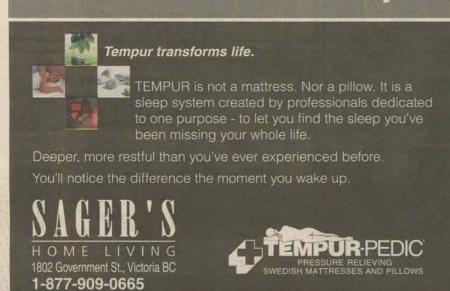
Penn is best known for her Wild Side columns in various regional publications and hosting the TV magazine show Enviro/Mental with CHUM TV for three years. Penn has a Ph. D. in geography, and has lectured in the School of Environmental Studies and Restoration of Natural Systems Program of the University of Victoria for 15 years.

Wright serves as chair for the Sea grass Conservation Working Group, a consortium of provincial and federal agencies, First Nations representatives, coastal conservation groups and consultants working together since 2001 for the conservation of sea grasses in B.C.

Henwood is project manager of the National Marine Conservation Area Reserve and Peet is a masters student at the University of Victoria doing research on the interrelatedness of salmon and sea lice, with some of his research taking place around Salt Spring.

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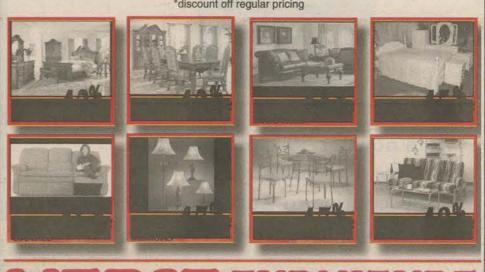
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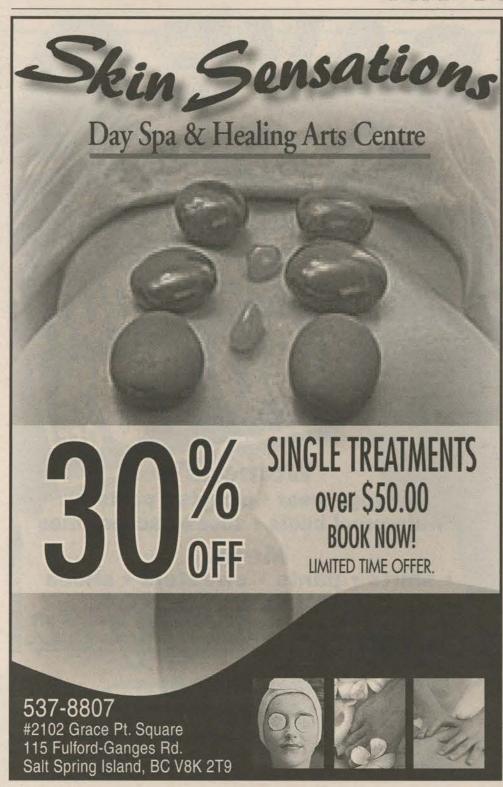
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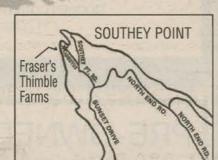
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tueur en sene dont les victimes sont des femmes. Lawrence Arcouette, Maude Guérin (2h35)

**** Donnie Brasco (1997, Crime Story) An undercover FBI agent infiltrates the mob and finds himself identifying with the Mafia. Johnny Depp, Al Pacino (2h30)

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★ Mystic Pizza (1988, Comedy/
Drama) Three waitresses share their romanti
trials while they are working at a pizza parfor.

Julia Roberts, Lili Taylor (1h45)

MONDAY, JAN 30 6:00 PM

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(1952, Musical) A married dance team's shot at fame is marred by pregnancy, jealousy and infidelity. Gower Champion, Marge Champion (1h45)

(20 Flight 93 (2005, Documentary)

The courageous passengers on United Airlines Flight 93 fought back against terrorists. Jeffrey Nordling, Ty Olsson (2h)

6:15 PM

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3 * Hollywood Flies (2004,
Crime Story) Two bank robbers kidnap a tourist and hold her ransom until her brother makes a delivery. Antonio Cupo, Bianca Guaccero (1h45)

Guaccero (1h45)
8:00 PM
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A star-struck janitor fabricates a story around a murder to get close to a reporter. William Hurt, Sigourney Weaver (2h) 9:45 PM

3 * Crimson Force (2005, ScI-Fi)
With Earth's energy dwindling, a mission is sent to Mars to unlock an energy source. Tony Amendola, David Chokachi (1h30)
10:00 PM

The courageous passengers on United Airlines Flight 93 (2005, Documentary)
The courageous passengers on United Airlines Flight 93 fought back against terrorists. Jeffrey Nordling, Ty Olsson (2h)

11:15 PM

Trank Gannon is hunted by his fellow police officers after he exposes police corruption. Dolph Lundgren, Polly Shannon (2h) 11:55 PM

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2 ** No (1998, Drama) A FrenchCanadian actress in Japan contends with a pregnancy and her pro-FLQ boyfriend. AnneMarie Cadleux, Alexis Martin (2h)

TUESDAY, JAN 31 7:00 PM

7:00 PM

3 ★ Revelation (2001, Suspense)
After missing for centuries, an ancient relic
mysteriously reappears and creates havoc.
Terence Stamp, Udo Kier (2h)

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The courageous passengers on United Airlines
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20 ** Men With Brooms (2002,
Comedy) Four friends try to realize their late
coach's dream of winning a curling trophy. Paul
Gross, Leslie Nielsen (2h)

9:00 PM

4 ** Undercover Brother (2002, Comedy) A secret agent must stop The Man' from ruining a candidate's presidential campaign. Eddie Griffin, Chris Kattan (2b)

** School Ties (1992, Drama) A Jewish student attending an exclusive scho is victimized because of his faith. *Brendan Fraser, Matt Damon* (2h)

10:00 PM
10:00 PM
The lives of people involved in the country music industry intersect at a political rally. Ned Beatty, Shelley Duvall (3h15)

11:00 PM

** * Hostage (2005, Action) A family is taken hostage and police chief Jeff Talley must see to it that everyone survives.
Bruce Willis, Kevin Pollak (2h) 20 Flight 93 (2005, Documentary)
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other activities

Burns Tea & Sing-Along. SS Seniors Services Society, 2 pm **Acupuncture Detox.** At Community Services, 7 pm Chair Yoga. For seniors, OAP room, Fulford Hall, 10-11 am. SS Zen Meditation Circle. 210 Cedar Lane, 7-9 pm. Info: Rowan, 537-2831. Charlie Eagle. Farmers Institute, 7:30 pm Genealogy Group. LDS Church, 7 pm. Info: 538-1708. SS Dragon Boat Club. Ganges United Church, 7:30 pm : North End Toy Library. SS Elementary multi-purpose room, 10-11:30 am South End Toy Library.

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Matt & Tom. Shipstones. Sangha. Ganges Yoga Studio, 7:30 pm Sweetwater. Tree House S. GISS Dance. Grade 11-12 class performs at ArtSpring,

other activities

7:30 pm

Film Festival Cafe. Talk Mogadishu: Media Under Fire. Barb's Buns, 7 p.m. Free Hearing Aid Check & Clean. Downtown Pharmasave, 10:30-2:30 Beaver Pt. Scottish Country Dancing. Beaver Pt. Hall, 7 pm. Info: Pat, 537-0087. Island Pathways AGM. Dick Stubbs, 7:30 pm **Transcendental Meditation Group Meditation..** 7:30 pm. Info: 537-9235 Trail & Nature Club AGM.

And luncheon at Meaden Hall, 11:30 am The Wall Meeting. Community Services,

live entertainment

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Billie Woods. Samba, bossa nova & more at Tree House South **Lounge Night With Interchill**

DJs. Shipstones. House Party. With DJ Matt J at Moby's

other activities

Barefoot Boogie. Family event: pm. All ages. at Ganges Yoga Studio. 7 pm · Chai Friday. Last Friday of each month. Social event with complimentary chai. Ganges Yoga Studio, 10:30 am Rollerblading to Music. All ages at Fulford Hall,

7:30-9 pm Ganges Harbour — A Healthy Ecosystem? Scientists' panel discusses the harbour. Community

Gospel Chapel, 7 pm

january28 live entertainment

Live Radio Theater. Authentic : Les Voix Humaines. radio plays from the '40s & 50s. ArtSpring, 7:30 pm Planet Music. Tree House S. Ed Peekekoot & Alan Moberg.

All Saints, 7:30 pm Local DJ Night. Shipstones. Mad Professor. UK dub master, Beaver Pt. Hall, 8

Sweetwater. Barb's Buns, 8 pm

other activities

Indigo Evolution. Showing of film for 2nd annual World Indigo Day. (plus What the Bleep Down the Rabbit Hole preview). ArtSpring, 2 pm SSI 4H Sheep Club. Registration at Farmers Institute, 4-8 pm CFUW. University women's group meets at Lions Hall, 10 am. Topic is SWOVA, with Lynda Laushway. Dad 'n' Me. Pancake

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Meets at ArtSpring at 1 pm.

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live entertainment other activities

Floor Hockey. Mondays at Fulford Hall, ArtSpring, 2:30 pm, with 7-9 pm pre-concert chat at 1:30. **Gabrielle Roth's 5 Rhythms**

other activities

january29

Line Dancing. Sundays, 4-6 pm. Register at 537-9653 Unitarian Fellowship.

Debate on assisted suicide. Fulford Hall OAP Room. 10:30 am.

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live entertainment

Songwriters' Showcase. Featuring Sharon Bailey. Barb's Buns, 8 pm

Mike Wall & Ron Moshontz. Piano and sax at Music & Munch recital. All Saints, 12:10 pm.

other activities

SS Zen Meditation Circle. 210 Cedar Lane, 7-9 pm. Info: Rowan, 537-2831. Chair Yoga. For seniors Wednesdays at OAP room of Fulford Hall, 10-11 am. **Acupuncture Detox.** At Community Services, 7 pm SS Community Theatre. Discuss upcoming

productions at Croftonbrook, 7 pm. **North End Toy Library.** Wednesdays at SS Elementary multi-purpose room, 10-11:30 am

South End Toy Library. Wednesdays at Fulford Elementary gym, 8:30-9:30 Note new date, place & time! : am. Info: 653-9904.

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Naidine Sims: 80 Golden Years Celebration. There are smiles all around as family and friends come from near and far to honour Naidine Sims. Judy Sims and her band provide old-time jazz to sing along and

Stark Family History - Naidine Sims recounts the history of her family during the island's early days, the remarkable stories of her great grandmother, Sylvia Stark, and the hardships endured by Salt Spring's first black settlers.

exhibitions

· e:motion - Biennial Community Art Exhibition at ArtSpring. Daily from January 23 through February 5.

· Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art presents select original works by A.J. Casson, Robert Pilot, A.Y. Jackson, Walter Phillips, Robert Lougheed, Robert Genn, Richard Calver, G. Roberts, Nell Bradshaw and Adrian Dingle.

Paintings by Verna Meyer are at Island Savings Credit Union.

Shari Macdonald photographs are hanging at Jana's Bake Shop.

• Deb Hagarty shows photography at Moby's through January.

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HIP MOVES: Renowned dancer Kassia Skolsky leads a hip hop class in a Saturday afternoon workshop at All Saints.

Stubbs' trip highlights AGM

holds its AGM on Thursday night, the group will kick off the year with a report from an adventurous local cyclist.

Dick Stubbs rode his bike from Kamloops to Halifax last fall, and will make a presentation at 7:30 p.m. in the United church hall in Gan-

Stubbs, who was Salt Spring's chief building inspector before retiring last summer, rode his bike to work daily and had taken numerous longer cycling trips before embarking on the 5,900-kilometre journey.

Island Pathways has been a non-profit society since 1997

When Island Pathways after being formed in 1988. recreation options, and run Members promote safe, nonmotorized transportation and

active education and student helmet programs.



Sidewalk Superintendent

The business beat of the Gulf Islands

By Peter McCully

Facelifts, sales and new ventures shape Salt Spring business scene

and Shipstones are getting makeovers in the next couple of months, with shifts in space around the Harbour Building.

The clothing store will expand its main floor presence by about 600 square feet and branch into cosmetics and fragrances, says Mouat's general manager Kevin

Old Salty's space will also grow more of the Tree House Café side of the building, and Shipstones will take all of the back building space. Jill Louise Campbell's gallery will remain as is.

Hans Hazenboom's company is doing the work

operates Imagen Communications islands, has sold its shares to Urban Communications Ltd. of Burnaby.

to operate under the ownership of Urban Communications Inc. with its existing personnel from its current premises in Burnaby," states a press release.

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to Salt Spring Bagel Co. and see what all the buzz is about. Owner Gail Glode offers 16 kinds of tea, treats from 9 to 5, Tuesday through

· Island Secretarial is a new

by Kimberley Murphy in #4-128 Hereford Avenue -Jeremy Milsom's beautifully redone building. Kimberley offers copies, word-processing, laminating, cerlox binding, form letters, bulk mailings, labels and mail pick-up and forwarding. Phone number is 537-1050; fax is 537-1048; e-mail islandsecretarial@telus.net.

 SeaChange Seafoods Ltd. is by 10 per cent as the store takes feeling the impact of its Smoked island artisans on tap next. Salmon Jerky being deigned #43 on Saveur Magazine's Top 100 list of "favourite restaurants, food, drink, people, places and things" for 2006. The New York-based, world-class magazine discovered SeaChange through a Victoria writer, says the · Lions Gate Internet Ltd., which company's co-owner Anne Millerd, and the inquiries have come in from on Salt Spring and Pender far and wide since the Top 100 list was published. For a taste of the jerky, Millerd says people can drop by SeaChange at 334 Upper "The company will continue Ganges Road, from 10:30-4:30, Monday to Friday.

· Gulf Islands Brewery products have a brand new look with some familiar faces as Salt Spring pioneers are featured on the bottles' first series of cool new labels.

· Stop by The Tea Cozy next image last year on the belief that we make Salt Spring style ales from an island of free thinkers, so we decided to focus on islanders plus sandwiches, scones and sweet who helped make Salt Spring what it is today," explained brewmaster Murray Hunter.

Baseball players Bob and Jim awards

· Old Salty, Mouat's Clothing multi-pronged service provided Akerman and Fred Morris stand tall on the Salt Spring Golden Ale label, while Hawaiian pioneer William Naukana is on the Salt Spring Porter (formerly Pender Farmer-photographer Jesse Bond holds some lettuce in the photo on the Salt Spring Pale Ale (formerly Mayne Sail Ale).

The next series will showcase current island characters who make a difference today, with

Salt Spring's Diane Weatherby did the designs.

Check out the gulfislandsbrewery.com website, where people can submit images and label ideas.

· Columbia Fuels is opening a small office across from Moby's. They will be reconnecting with islanders by opening a local

· Meror Krayenhoff's SIREwall Inc. company is offering eight different rammed earth courses in an earth-wall studio on Salt

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Film Fest Café starts in Somalia

Salt Spring Island filmmaker Judy Jackson sees the island's upcoming Film Festival Café nights as an opportunity for the public to access important stories in a world where major news media have failed miserably.

"I think there is a great interest for stories that dig a little deeper," she said during a recent interview. "We are being increasingly robbed by our televisions.

Jackson's filmmaking experience includes several Central America and Africabased documentaries dealing with social, economic and political injustices.

Her films have been screened throughout the world on networks including History Television, the CBC and the BBC.

Jackson's latest production, Talk Mogadishu: Media Under Fire, is set to begin the new Film Festival Café series at Barb's Buns on Thursday night, January 26. The café will run on the last Thursday of each month.

Jackson's documentary, shot during her second trip to Somalia, continues Jackson's tradition of producing films geared towards refreshing prevailing views on global politics.

Set in a country long viewed as a "basket-case" nation ruled by AK-47 wielding warlords and their henchmen, she said, Talk Mogadishu follows the quest of three enterprising Canadian-trained journalists setting out to create an outlet for independent journalism.

She hopes the movie's focus will highlight the positive efforts of those trying to steer the country in a better direction.

Film Festival Café features are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m., but participants are welcome to attend an informal discussion set to begin at 5 p.m. and have some supper as well.



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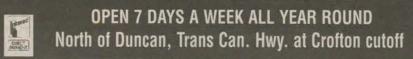
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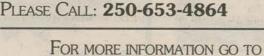
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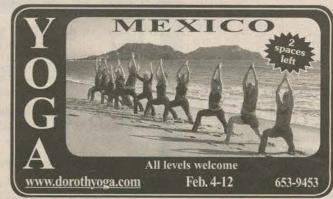


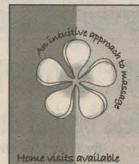
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Boogie boasts beat

Ganges Yoga Studio hosts a Barefoot Boogie Dance Party on Friday, January 27, with an eclectic mix of great dance music from the '70s to current day.

Pop songs, African rhythms, world beat and more will be played at the all-ages, drug-and-alcoholfree event.

Doors open at 7 p.m., with dancing ongoing until at least 10:30 p.m.

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Light snacks are available. Phone Leslie for more information at 537-0884.



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Manx adds acoustic award to list

Island music lovers lucky enough to have caught a performance by Salt Spring's very own eclectic blues man Harry Manx won't be surprised to learn he garnered more national praise at last week's Maple Blues Awards.

Manx won the award for the year's top blues acoustic act at the annual celebration of the best talent in the Canadian blues scene.

The honour comes only a month Manx's unique "mysticssippi" blues after Manx was judged the country's top solo performer at the first-ever Canadian Folk Music Awards for his West Eats Meet album released in

Born on the Isle of Man, Manx grew up in Canada but spent his teens travelling and playing music throughout Europe, Japan, India and Brazil. stems from his combination of classical Indian ragas, gospel and delta blues influences.

Salt Spring's Jamie RT also received a nomination for best instrumental act at the Canadian Folk Music Awards.

Manx is on tour to promote his latest album, Mantras for Madmen, released

Trail, nature club activities announced

A reminder that the AGM will take place on Thursday, January 26, at noon in Meaden Hall, starting with a potluck luncheon.

Doors and bar are open at 11:30 a.m. Please bring your favourite dish. The business portion will immediately follow the luncheon. All members are encouraged and urged to attend.

There will be a social evening on Thursday, February 23, 7:30 p.m. in the United Church. Lynn Thompson, Simon Rook and Heather Horne will show slides and talk about their hiking in Marble Meadows in Strathcona Provincial Park and on Quadra Island.

The monthly nature walk will now be incorporated in the regular walkers schedule and will take place on the third Tuesday of the month and is open to all interested members.

Following is the February schedule:

HIKERS

FEB. 7: Bill Harrington leads an easy hike into the Andreas Vogt Nature Reserve and surrounding Crown lands. Meet at Art-Spring at 9:45 a.m. or at the parking lot 200 metres to the right of the end of Sarah Way at 10 a.m.

FEB. 14: Zeke Blazecka will lead a strenuous hike from Burgoyne Bay up Mt. Maxwell. Meet at ArtSpring at 9:45 and south-enders may join at the Burgoyne Bay Triangle turn-off at 10 a.m.

FEB 21: Ron Hawkins will lead a moderate hike to Yeo Point from Beaver Point Hall. Meet at ArtSpring at 9:45 and south-enders join at the hall at 10:05.

FEB 28: Off-island with Sheila and Barry Spence leading, to have a moderate hike at Maple Mountain. Meet at Portlock Park at 8:30 a.m. to catch the 9 ferry.

WALKERS

FEB. 7: Nieke Visser will lead a moderate walk with some steeper sections on an Armand Way-Seymour Heights loop. Meet at Art-Spring at 10 a.m. or join at the Dukes Road/Fulford-Ganges Road junction at

FEB. 14: Ron Hall leads an easy walk from Eagle Ridge to Long Harbour. Meet at ArtSpring at 10 a.m.

FEB. 21: Nature walk. Easy, flat walk around the Ford Lake, led by Bob Weeden, to look at the winter birds of the area. North-enders carpool from ArtSpring parking lot and south-enders carpool from Drummond Park. Both groups should proceed at 10 a.m. to the trail gate on Garner Road (left on Garner Road going south).

Participants should bring binoculars and pocket bird books if they have

FEB. 28: Off-island with Lynn Thompson, who will lead a moderate Mt. Sicker Historical Railway Walk. Meet at Portlock Park at 9:30

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a.m. to carpool to Vesuvius, where we will walk onto the 10 a.m. ferry.

RAMBLERS

FEB. 7: Margaret Allen will lead a ramble around Duck Creek followed by lunch at the Seaside kitchen. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

FEB. 14: Edna Gatt will lead a ramble around Channel Ridge. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

FEB. 21: An excursion around North West Farm led by Ilsa Forster. Meet at Centennial Park at 10 a.m.

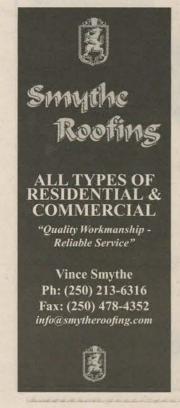
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NEW MEMBERS

Interested in joining us? Contact Barry Spence (membership) at 537-2332 or Fred Powell (president) at 537-4739, or come on Tuesdays to the meeting point for the activity you are interested in.



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Sportsmanship nod to Scorpion players

Senior boys Scorpions the Mount Douglas Rams from Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) managed only one win at the Victoria Police Tournament, but the islanders clicked with a composed performance for the most sportsmanlike team award.

"We wanted to win like champions, lose like champions, respect the officials, be courteous to the other teams, we like helping people up when they fall down and that sort of stuff," explained GISS player Shawn Lee.

GISS even supplied a player for one opposing team that was undermanned.

While the Scorpions had hoped for more wins during their first appearance at the 16-team event, the sportsmanship award was their main goal for the invitational tourney, Lee said.

"On the whole it was a really fun time and we hope to go back.'

Unfortunately, the islanders lost 64-55 to the St. Michael's University Blue Jags in the first round and then fell in overtime against Seaquam Seahawks for the consolation game.

A B-Side Consolation game was decided by

(AAA), 76-55 but then GISS beat the Esquimalt Dockers 62-16 for a placement final to rise above the bottom

On another positive note, the senior boys won a tight game in overtime by 66-59 at Shawnigan Lake on Thursday.

"We just barely pulled away in overtime. It was a really good game. They're one of our biggest competitors," Lee said.

In other GISS basketball

GISS junior girls won one game, lost a second and then lost their third game in double overtime during a friendly tourney at Chemainus.

"Intense," said GISS senior girls team player Kristi Lee.

Junior girls also won a league match against Brentwood (Monique Comeau was top scorer) while the junior boys team lost a close match against Brentwood during their league game last week (stand-out play from Dylan Hunsberger), she said.

All four GISS teams also had games on Tuesday (with results not available at press



ON THE BALL: Gulf Islands Secondary School junior boys player Casey Fedberg has a good grip on the ball in a match against Brentwood Bay at the high school last week. The local squad lost the game.

Salt Spring curlers hurry hard for funspiel

Islanders had better hurry if they want a shot at entering the fourth annual Salt Spring Island Curling Funspiel upcoming on February

"It'll be a full day of curling, lunch and more curling," said event organizer Jim Pasuta. "Fun is the name of the game. It'll never be called a bonspiel as long as I'm organizing it."

A \$45 fee for the curling funspiel includes lunch, a bus, ferry fare, prizes and ice rental at the Duncan Curling Club.

"In the past we've always had 10 teams and sold out." Beginners are invited to join the fun as individuals or in teams of four, Pasuta

"The object of the game is to put a 40-pound rock on a sheet of slick ice within an inch of a spot 120 feet down the sheet," he said. "It's an on-going game of shuffleboard where the rules are constantly changing.'

Players in the funspiel are generally relative novices to the game, but the event attracts a few enthusiasts who have previous experi-

"There have people who have never curled and come back. I'll take that as a compliment.'

Islanders who don't have a complete team can contact Pasuta as individuals and he can connect people together,

"I had a couple of people last year that I fit into teams and they really loved it. They've since told me that they are coming back this

Curling can be played by the old or the young at either a competitive or recreational level, Pasuta said.

Pasuta didn't start playing the game himself until he was 30 and living on Salt Spring. Now he plays in a regular league in Victoria.

The funspiel meets for the 8 a.m. Vesuvius ferry on February 11 and returns at 8:30 p.m., he said.

For more information, call Jim at 537-9995.

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Girls U-18 vs. Gordon Head Sun., Jan. 29 • 10:30 a.m. • Portlock Park

Women's Div. 2 vs. Lakehill Sun., Jan. 29 • 12:30 p.m. • GISS

Men's FC Div. 5 vs. Zgoda Sun., Jan. 29 • 2:15 p.m. • Portlock Park

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NETMINDER: FC keeper Chris Griffiths has his eye on the ball as fellow player Jordan Haenen battles it out with a Cowichan player in front of the FC net.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

FC takes forensics from 1-0 CSI loss

By ALESSANDRO DEVIATO

Driftwood Contributor

Right from the opening whistle, Salt Spring FC's Division-1 men lacked their usual attacking flair in 1-0 loss against Cowichan Sussex Insurance at Portlock Park on Saturday morning.

Islanders' defence held up strong till an unlikely mistake gave a Cowichan striker the time and space for an open shot on net that he buried with poise.

When Cowichan was up 1-0, Salt Spring sparked into life

"Cardin [Davis] made another great play in the box, beating his man one on one," recounted onlooker Jesse Fisher.

Just before Davis could make his shot he was taken down and awarded a penalty shot. Jimmy Severn stepped up to the spot and rifled a shot dead centre at the keep-

"It was a shame we missed our chance at the penalty spot. It really could have changed the momentum of the game," said coach-player Chris Jason.

Salt Spring held most of the possession for the second half of the contest.

Once again, though, our team in black and white was just not able to build up an attack.

In the last 10 minutes, Salt Spring's lack of substitutes was evident as they trudged

The Cowichan squad currently sits in fourth place, two spots above Salt Spring.

FC now goes into their next game with two consecutive losses.



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FC divides Lakehill United

Salt Spring FC's Division-5 men rebounded from an early goal and some tough pressure to beat Lakehill United by 3-1 at Braefoot Park on Saturday.

The Div.-5 men played their best game of the season thus far, said coach player Jude Shugar.

"All our guys played really well. There wasn't one weak spot on the field."

Islanders had some jump in their game and put a ball off the Lakehill post in the first five minutes, Shugar said.

"They were on their heels and they settled down after that. They controlled the ball much better and at the 25th

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minute they got a poor goal off a deflection. We didn't give up after that."

Ten minutes later, Alessandro Deviato switched a ball to Jasenn Wensveen, who fired it down to Shugar on the corner flag for a cross that was slotted away by Mark Nordine.

"In the second half we passed the ball around really well. Jeremy Moulton did a great job of crossing balls in from the right side and we got quite a few chances off corners."

One of those corners paid off when it landed on Colin McDougall's foot.

With 20 minutes remaining, Nordine picked up his

second goal when he headed in the ball during a scramble around the net.

"Lakehill put on a lot of pressure in the last 10 minutes and had a lot of good chances but weren't able to finish. Chad Little was solid in net for us and saved us big time in the last five minutes."

Highlight play came from Ryan "Leroy" Smith, who filled in as centre back; Deviato had a huge game in the midfield; and Dave McColl helped out in the centre mid.

Salt Spring is five points out of second place. They next play Zgoda at Portlock Park at 2:15 p.m. on Sunday. GRAVEL SALES

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John Allen Livingston Professor Emeritus, York

University, at home on January 17, 2006 at age 82. Survived by his wife Ursula of Salt Spring Island, B.C., daughter Sally of Toronto, sons Zeke and Least, daughter-inlaw Tina, grandchildren Bronwyn and Duncan, all of Victoria, B.C., and sister Judith Bowler of Toronto. Educated at the

University of Toronto Schools and Victoria College, University of Toronto, he served in the Navy in World War II. After working for some years with the Audubon Society and the CBC, he joined the graduate program of the Faculty of Environmental Studies at York University, where his teaching emphasized biological conservation

and cultural and historical perspectives of nature. He edited "Canadian Audubon" magazine and several books, wrote many radio and television scripts, natural history articles and commentaries

and ten books, the most recent of which received the Governor General's Literary Award. He travelled widely in pursuit of his interest in wildlife and its protection, and was the recipient of numerous honours. A huge presence in the lives of his family, friends, former colleagues and students, he will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered. No funeral at his request. Arrangements

for a celebration of his life will be made later. Special thanks to Doctors Ron Reznick, Jan Malherbe and Charles Alsberg who, in different contexts, attended to John with consummate skill and compassion; also to the exemplary nursing staff at Lady Minto Hospital and members of the

ambulance/emergency team for providing caring assistance on several

Kenneth Heeley-Ray

in Macclesfield England October 26, 1916, close to the Wales he considered his homeland, died January 19, 2006 on Salt Spring Island, BC. He leaves to mourn his wife Ann, his sister Wendy Lewis, his children Bridget (Doug Rombough), Robin, Tim, Ian, Elizabeth, Andy (Rebecca Free), and Gareth (Marnie), his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Employed in the film business his whole working life, he was never stingy with his expertise, teaching his craft to many co-workers and assistants. His cats and his garden will miss him. There will be no funeral service at his request. Please remember him with a contribution to Lady Minto Hospital Foundation,

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7.1 PET MEMORIAM



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DATE: Tues., Jan. 31, 2006 TIME: 1:00 pm PLACE: ArtSpring

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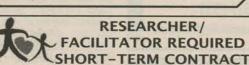
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This Week's Horoscope by Michael O'Connor

The Alianment of planets on Election Day is certainly interesting. The Sun in Aquarius suggests some revolutionary changes, regardless of the results. As ever in politics, there stand to be many more promises than can and will be delivered. As a famous American proverb goes, "When all is said and done, more is said than done." With corporate power as the real reality behind political fronts, is it any wonder that it will be business as usual. However, there are larger forces at work. With the planets Uranus and Pluto both 'unaspected' according to the science of Astrology, anything could happen over the course of the next term in office. Unaspected planets are wild cards, so to speak; un-integrated energies that require integration by way of creative and innovative thinking. Since Uranus and Pluto are trans-social planets, there is a definite indication that the consequences of the election will carry much larger implications. Increased international affairs are likely. Beyond which party or politicians get elected, the Horoscope for Election Day suggests that Canada as a whole is challenged to awaken to larger current realities that have little interest in the good old days. Our country is on the verge of a major turning point.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

kind or another are gaining your attention. You may be interested in the power of the subconscious mind and other psychological insights. All of this is contributing to a sharper definition of who you are and are not. Rebellious feelings and attitudes are also rolling-in. You are open to discussion but will not be told. Be your own best friend and, regarding what is best for you, follow your own intuition.

Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)

More prominence, power, recognition, notoriety and perhaps fame in the world are available for you now. This is a good time to receive favours and rewards from authorities and other power players. Your overall vision is revolutionary and unorthodox and your mind is racing towards the future. Creating new streams of income is part of the plot. You are open to advice regarding new approaches, though caution is advised here. Lay your plans well and prepare to advance.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)

All eyes cast on the world; distant shores and/or the bigger picture are gaining your attention this week. Rare glimpses into a revolutionary future are available. You want to be informed and updated with every new turn. There are many opinions and judgments in the air. Some financial flow will soothe anxieties. Continue to focus on your health and act more than think or speak in this regard. Exercise patience with the process.

Cancer (Jun 22 - Jul 22)

time of cleaning and planning for you. Investigation into a variety of investment interests is a central theme this year. This can range from RRSP's to real estate, to health interests or tools, or new associations. More specifically for this year, you may feel the inspiration to explore into some of life's deeper mysteries. Psychology or science or something intense will appeal to you - deepen your appreciation.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 23)

Taking an objective look at the overall quality of your relationships is now in the spotlight. To be truly as objective as you can, you must be willing to look at your own self as building your health, and persevere.

Virgo (Aug 24 - Sep 22)

A shift of emphasis upon making intelligent changes in your lifestyle is in focus. How can you take care of yourself with more awareness? What is your blood type; what is the quality of your diet; are you exercising enough? These and other such questions are worth asking. We all go through changes and sometimes the turn is more noticeable - this might be one of them. Intend to concentrate more on creating a

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22)

Creating changes that truly reflect your heart and mind is the balance you seek now. Keeping the two harmonized is a core aspect of a conscious life. Sadly, the lower mind often assumes control and this is where many problems begin. Right does not necessarily equal happy. Meanwhile, creating a healthy financial flow requires long-term thinking yet also short-term measures. Do what you can now and plan for sustainable changes.

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)

So you have a quirky side that you like to hide and protect. Chances are this aspect of you contains your unique genius. Exploring your individuality will prove worthwhile. We all have inner gifts and treasures, but Awakenings and new realizations of one we have to look for them and bring them into focus. On my website in the Library section you will see "Client Resources" and there find a "Self- Awareness and Goal Planning Strategy" exercise. Do it if you want clear answers from your own mind. Break free of limiting self-concepts and start asking empowering questions.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

Thoughts, ideas, facts and plans are traveling through your mind quickly now. There is much you would like to achieve. There are many directions requiring your focus. Your ability to be organized is the key. Like a warnor on the path your resolve is firm. Guided by a deep faith in yourself and life you carry on. The outcome is uncertain and you are aware that anything can happen. Do not let vour emotions blind your vision and attend to the many details.

Capricom (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

Gathering all your skills, genius and friends who might assist you towards a new level of construction is now in focus. In certain respects, changes and renovations are required. Transformations are underway! You are more in the mood to be heard than to listen, to receive than to give. Potential fears of being alone are motivating your decisions. This could cause many problems for others now and you later. Recognize fear motivations and beat the odds.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)

You are ready to take some new strides and initiatives. You are eager to expand and fortify your overall position in the world. The Sun in Aquarius generally marks a Despite many demands on your attention, you are determined to be pointed in your focus. Clearing the old to make way for the new could include beliefs, attitudes and expressions as much as old stuff. Powerful thoughts about how things 'should be' include relationships, laws and fairness. Advance your vision with full vigour!

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

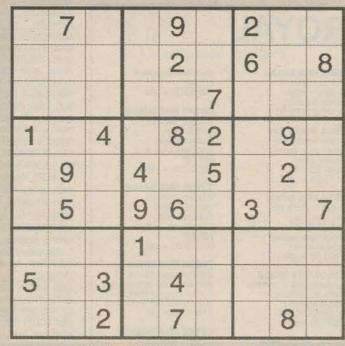
Tending to things behind the scenes takes on added proportion now. This can prove to be a productive time or you could get lost in a sea of dreams. You do have a choice. If ever there was a good time to turn your well as others. You probably have reasons to attention to regular meditation for the sake feel confident about yourself, yet your commitment to deep changes is ideal. This can knows, you might even encounter angels imply preventative medicine whether your in the inner dimensions - they are there focus is psychological or physical. Exercise if only one can see! You can, at least compatience on all relationship fronts and with municate with your higher mind. Visualize!

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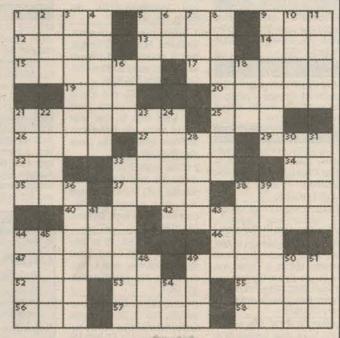
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Driftwood

Dragons lose nail biter against Renegades

After a three-week hiatus, the Salt Spring Dragons came up just short against the visiting Renegades in Sunday's 2006 home opener.

Cold winds and frigid temperatures weren't the only forces conspiring against the Salt Spring team as the game's only goal, scored within five minutes of the opening whistle, sent an early shiver through the team.

Despite a strong defensive stand by players such as Robin Little and keeper Lindsey Kovats, the team was unable to get an equalizer and suffered a 1-0 loss.

"We kept them from scoring, but we also missed quite a few finishing chances," said midfielder Sue-Anne Donaldson. "We had a good game, but just couldn't get the ball in the net."

Donaldson added it's just a matter of time before the team gets back to the fine form it exhibited before the Christmas break.

"We are all excited to get back on the field and are just



SLIP SLIDING: Salt Spring Dragons player Stacy Roodenburg goes for a slide on home turf as she gets the ball in a match against the Renegades. The visiting team won the game 1-0.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

hoping we can gel as a team before the next game," she

The fourth-place Dragons remain 12 points behind topranked Vic-A's and remain in the hunt for the Lower Island Women's Soccer Association's Division 3 title.

The team is hoping to gain some ground against the woeful Peninsula squad this weekend on Vancouver Island. In their first encounter last November, the Dragons defeated the cellar-dwelling Peninsula team 6-0.

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Alonso scores 5 for come-from-behind win

 Salt Spring's U12 boys found themselves down one goal in the first few minutes of a match against Cordova Bay last Saturday.

However, an Adrian Alonso goal tied it up before the half.

In the second half Salt Spring came out determined to make an early impression and the defensive work of Leh Smallwood and Steve Eckberg carried on by Jyah Flam and Luc Comeau saw Alonso score two quick goals to give what seemed a comfortable lead of 3-1.

Cordova Bay stormed back with three quick, well-executed goals to lead 4-3 with 15 minutes to go.

Strong defensive play by Olivia Greig, a new recruit from North Vancouver, led the Salt Spring attack which was rewarded by Alonso tying up the game and then picking the opposite corner to score the winner.

As player of the match, Alonso had an outstanding game, but was ably supported by Comeau and Flam, who figured in each of the

• Peninsula Lightning's U13 girls jolted the Salt Spring Stingers for a 4-3 loss at Iroquois Park on Sat-

After Lightning zapped with three goals in the first half, the Stingers rebounded with three goals of their own (from Pilar Brooks, Elizabeth Fennell and Alanna Hillis) thanks to great plays developed by a determined Jody Pringle at centre midfield.

Chelsea Baldwinson was another islander who stood out for great passing and defensive work. Spectators also cheered for driving attacks by Megan Jarman in the first half and excellent long-ball counterattacks by Hayley Harkema late in the game.

Even though Peninsula was hemmed in for most of the second half, they scored the winner on a breakaway late in the game and the Stingers were left with no time to tie.

• The Salt Spring Island

SOCCER KICKS

U17 gold boys soccer team nailed a 1-0 win as players faced the U18 gold Lakehill Gunners.

The local squad squared off against the older and bigger team in a tremendous game where they played disciplined soccer, moving the ball quickly up the field, maintaining their offensivedefensive angles and creating numerous scoring opportunities.

Early in the second half, Stuart Garside was injured and the remaining 10 players had to dig deep to fend off the repeated attacks on net. All the boys deserved mention for their skills, willpower and determination, and keeper Brandon Shaw gave a stellar performance.

Salt Spring's persistence paid off mid-way through the second half when Isaac Raddysh landed a beautiful pass to Rusty Fedberg, who shot on net. Lakehill's keeper stopped the ball, but it rebounded and Fedberg shot again. Again their keeper saved the day, but Jesson Motherwell moved in and played the ball in a slide kick, which their keeper was

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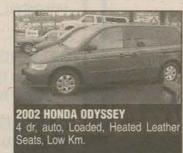
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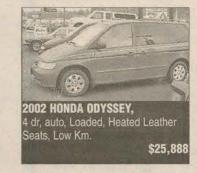
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