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Fairwell to Bill Gough



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Jason and Aaryn Funk found the best seat in the house at 'Firefighters' Muscular Dystrophy Day. See page 5

Photo by Peter Clarke



Another one bites the dust



In the catbird seat ... with Shelagh Plunkett

The Makah people have killed a grey whale and all of us in North America—and likely many in Europe as well—have been treated to television footage, mass print media coverage and radio commentary on the death. For the most part we seem to be outraged; so outraged that many feel compelled to write, call in, protest, argue and debate the whale killing.

I too was saddened by the images I saw of the grey whale being shot then dragged to the shore. The killing of a large, sentient being is a shocking thing to witness. But why this particular large, sentient being, why not, for example a Bengal tiger or a white rhino or a human being. Why, I mean, are we all riled up about this particular death and not one of the hundreds of others that happen daily around the world?

Oh yes, the "cultural traditions" argument. That's what's getting our collective goat. We don't like the hypocrisy of this argument and, fueled by that, we raise our voices in righteous protest. Some of us take a moment to acknowledge that there are other killings happening and then, having done that, revert to the mainstream and continue our anti-Makah whale hunt rant.

Well folks, sorry to have to point the finger, but

that in itself smacks loudly of hypocrisy.

I don't mean to say I support the whale killing—it isn't a this or that kind of option and other deaths do not absolve this one. But I do mean to say that before jumping on the bandwagon (made oh so easy for us by the mass media) we should all stop and ask ourselves a few questions.

Littleton Colorado. What an appalling thing that two young men would be driven to planning, then executing the mass murder of their peers. North America reeled. In response, among other things, the people of Littleton showed their sorrow by stuffing the building in which the memorial was held with some 200 bouquets. I'm sure the place looked fabulous and smelled wonderful.

Would the same people take the same amount of money they spent on those floral arrangements and donate it to a peer counselling program for high school students? Would they gladly support a tax increase to allow for such programs? Somehow I doubt it. At least, I doubt the support of such measures would be as exuberant. After all, tax increases or cheques in support don't carry the same personal stamp.

It's a quick fix. It's a feel-good response. It's a way to do something in acknowledgement of our horror without actually having to change our personal lives in any real way., without having to look at how

we are implicit in the killings.

Just like our response to the death of the grey whale. Let's blame the Makah—they shot the rifles—and not bother to look at how most of us, in North America particularly, participate in—no, cause the death of thousands of beings every single day simply through living the life to which we've become accustomed. It's a lazy response.

I don't know the solution and I certainly don't discount my own part in the slaughter. I'm guilty too—guilty of continuing to live in a fashion that causes death and destruction elsewhere. Here I sit on five acres of beautiful land shared only with one other adult and one child. I don't bother growing food on all that land, food for myself or food to send others who are starving because their land is being used for export crops. I plunk away on my brand new laptop computer and will soon jump in my car to drive very little distance to buy something I don't really need. I'm guilty too.

But, being guilty and being unable to provide an answer does not mean that the question should not be asked or that the hypocrisy of our own behavior should not be pointed out.


I don't know how to rectify the imbalance that exists in our world today but I do know that creating "others" to blame is not a solution. It may soothe our consciences to mutter outrage at the Makah but it does nothing toward a real solution. We are all—like the Emperor—a little naked in this one.

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24	25 SS Community Theatre, AGM, election of officers, Croftonbrook; 7pm	26	27 Labyrinth Meeting, Earth Day Interfaith Council, United Church; 7:30pm MS Society Meeting, SS Seniors Services; 7pm	28 Fernwood Fun Fair, Fernwood School; 3-5pm	29 SS Singers, 25th Anniversary Concert, ArtSpring; 7:30pm Susan Cogan Gypsy Hill Tour & CD Release Party, Lions Hall; 7:30pm Victoria Tea & Slide Show, SS United Church; 1:30-3:30pm Kettle of Fish, Beaver Point Hall; 9pm	30 SS Singers, 25th Anniversary Concert, ArtSpring; 2:00pm Tibetan Nuns, ArtSpring; 8:00pm Sunday Dinner Jazz, Moby's, Marc Atkinson Trio; 8pm
31 Lady Minto Hospital Aux. Society, GM, United Church; 2pm	1 JUNE	2 Wednesday Night Live, Moby's; 9pm Music & Munch, All Saints-by-the-Sea; Noon Fulford Day Society, AGM, Fulford OAP; 7pm	3 Sufi & Sacred Circle Heart Dance, location varies; 7:30pm SIMS Band Concert, ArtSpring; 7pm	4 Dearly Departed, Saturna's Theatre on the Rock, ArtSpring; 8pm	5 Greenwoods 20th Anniversary Celebration; 1-4pm SSI Historical Society AGM/3rd Annual Picnic, Haamea Bay, Beaver Point; 12noon ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) Tag Day	6 Treefrog Garden Tour, Fulford Treefrog Daycare; 10-4 Sunday Dinner Jazz, Moby's, Larry Miller Trio; 8pm The Stack ^{POSTPONED} Maxx, Lion 'TIL JUNE 25
7 SSI Youth Soccer AGM, GISS Library; 7pm	8	9 Music & Munch, All Saints-by-the-Sea; Noon	10 The Sound of Music, SS Centre School, ArtSpring; June 10-12	11 The Sound of Music, SS Centre School, ArtSpring; June 10-12	12 Build-a-Boat, Centennial Park; 10am-2pm The Sound of Music, SS Centre School; June 10-12 Tango Dinner Dance, SS Golf & Country Club; 7pm SS Conservancy boat tour to Samsun Narrows, workshop, beach walks; June 12th & 13th The Sound of Music, SS Centre School, ArtSpring; June 10-12	13 Sunday Dinner Jazz, Moby's, Nancy Ruth Quartet; 8pm Choral Evensong, All Saints-by-the-Sea, 4pm



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Mouat Park filled with talk of mid-range flyers, birdies and aces

Disc Golf Tournament brings players from near and far

by Joanne O'Connor

Salt Spring Island became a Mecca for frisbee golfers of all ages and skill levels May 12 when the Hart Memorial Disc Golf Course hosted its inaugural disc golf tournament.

A crowd of 60 players (and many more spectators) congregated at Mouat Park. Some came from as far away as California while most were from all over B.C. Islanders young and old (and in-between) showed their enthusiasm for the sport and to try their arms against the competition.

As soon as registration began the park filled with excited chatter about drivers, putters and mid-range flyers. Discs were produced, compared, admired and tested. Small groups of golfers left to complete quick practice rounds, and soon returned with tales of "aces" and "birdies."

Like every sport, disc golf has engendered its own language. Those familiar with golf (the club version) are soon at home with most of the terminology. A "birdie" is one shot under par and of course an "ace" refers to the coveted "hole-in one."

Unlike traditional golf, the disc golfer putts toward a chain basket or, in the case of the Hart Memorial Course, a suspended pin. The pins are three inch aluminum piping that produce a satisfying "ding" when the disc strikes the surface. This



Competitors 12-year-old Louis Quander (left) and 10-year-old Brian Quander show their enthusiasm.

characteristic earns them the name "tonal pins."

As disc golfers milled around the first tee in eager anticipation, organizers beamed with pride and sent a silent thank you to the forces of nature for providing such a beautiful day for disc golf. Mitchell Sherin and Dean Crouse, of the Hart Memorial Course fairly radiated energy as they watched one of their dreams come true.

Placing first amongst the Pros, as well as first overall, was Glen Whitlock of the Sunshine Coast. Glen's astounding first round score of 16 under par earned him the title of course record-holder, and the respect of all golfers present!

In his 18 years of experi-

ence Glen has visited and played a total of 254 courses around the world! He described the Salt Spring course as in "the upper echelon of tightness" and declared it "technical enough to make it challenging."

Local sponsors helped make the tournament a success by donating hundreds of dollars in the form of prizes and gift certificates. Top winners from each category received generous prizes, and discs and mini-discs were awarded to many players as well. The organizers and many volunteers created a positive environment for all who attended and the tournament is one I'm sure we'll all look forward to for next year!

Grade nine student wins for design of disc golf course

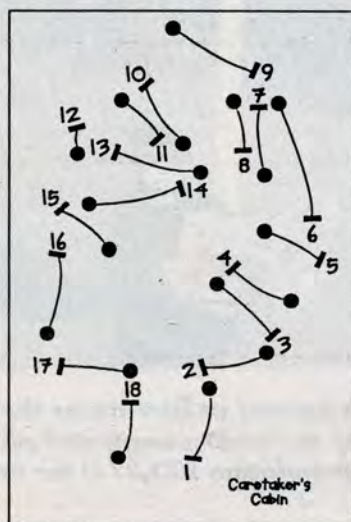
Grade nine student Adam Davies' map of the Hart Memorial Disc Golf Course will soon grace the entrance of the new facility.

To promote interest and awareness in the new disc golf course among high school students, Dean Crouse, president of the Salt Spring Island Disc golf Association and Computer Graphics teacher Dave Betts organized a recent map designing contest for com-

puter graphic students at GISS.

Students took a field trip to the course in Mouat Park and measured distances between holes, researched other disc golf facilities on the internet, and then returned to their computers to design their maps.

Adam's map will soon be mounted and displayed for players' information.



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**Do we have the courage to face our history and learn?**

Thanks to Larry Woods for his excellent article. What a rare historic review to find in an local newspaper! As I read the two historic *Times* items, I think about this drastic confrontation: The outcasts on D'Arcy Island, forgotten, left to die" and on Salt Spring, the concert aid in the hall"... A few questions arise as I search for the link to the present:

Do we have the guts to face history as it really happened or do we feed just on it's pleasing side?

Are we willing to learn from the past and become humble?

Or are we too proud of ourselves and what we have achieved, that we forget to love and care for our fellow beings?

M. SANDL
Fulford Bay

Team work made wrestling event a great success

Kudos to the GISS students, parents and other volunteers who contributed their time and energy to successfully presenting the ECCW "Slam-a-Palooza" wrestling event at Fulford Hall.

I was asked to help out with the music for this show, and got to witness first hand the level of commitment and dedication that went into the organizing, set-up and

cleanup. As someone who's been involved with numerous concert productions over the years, I can say that the GISS team that collaborated on this event was first-rate and deserving of much credit.

ADRIAN DU PLESSIS
SSI

Justification behind whale hunt raises questions

While watching the Makah twice (on T.V.) kill a young grey whale, I had tears in my eyes and rage in my heart. I thought of another "tradi-

tion" the Makah and their affiliates to the North, the Haida, had. They used to go raiding up and down the coast raping, pillaging and destroying every living thing in the villages. I wonder if the Canadian and U.S. governments will also sponsor that tradition? And would they, also, supply them with high powered boats and 50 caliber rifles.

Just imagine that "tradition" being revived and broadcast on CNN around the world.

PATTI MAY LAWSON
Vesuvius

And the winner is...

My staff and I at Skin Sensations Day Spa would like to thank everyone who came to our Grand Opening. We appreciate all the good wishes and the support of the community. We would like to announce the winners of our draw.

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NATO's "deep regrets" hollow

As the painless (to us) air blitz on Yugoslavia nears the end of its second month of deeply regretted collateral carnage, the pronouncement from NATO's political and military mouthpieces become ever more shrill and menacing. The slaughter of 100 Kosovar civilians by laser-guided NATO missiles was dismissed angrily as the fault of the Serbs. A few days ago the lack of an up-to-date Belgrade city map cause NATO to bomb the Chinese Embassy. Before that there were bridges, busses, trains, hospitals, the destruction of each of which was likewise deeply regretted in its turn, as if they were not the totally predictable concomitant of the systematic aerial destruction of a

continued over



A journal as literary as the Barnacle is liable to crop up in rather unexpected places. Take Bordeaux, France (population 213,274) for example.

NATO continued from p4 country's infrastructure.

A casual visitor could easily—and mistakenly—conclude that what is taking place in Yugoslavia is of less importance to Canadians than the new series of Star War movies, or the countdown to the Stanley Cup, or a minuscule rise in the value of our dollar. Yet we have been made complicit in an ongoing war crime using cluster bombs, uranium-tipped shells and probably devices even more diabolical from NATO's house of horrors.

The United Nations, born with such hope after World War II, has been destroyed by a ruthless military alliance intent on ruling the world as it sees fit. Who dictated that Canada should take part in this deranged conflict? As Prime Minister Chretien remarked, it is LOGICAL that we should be on the

team, and since we must have unanimity on such grave questions, our Parliament cannot be allowed to debate the matter. We aren't even to be told what our planes are doing because, as General Baril sees it, Canadians need only be spoonfed selected portions of the truth.

It seems that the Prime Minister's increasingly dictatorial bent, which has been clouding his judgement in domestic affairs for some time, has now involved us in a disastrous foreign adventure, at the cost of our good name as a peacekeeper. Thirty plus years ago Canada's leaders kept us out of Vietnam. Would that we had leaders of that calibre now!

ANDREW GIBSON
SSI

Thank you all!

I would like to say thank you to everyone who

helped when our house caught fire. A big thank you goes to the Fire Department, who were not only fast and effective but caring as well. Thanks so much for the little stuffed Dalmatian for Ruby. It seemed to make the whole evening alright for her, and hasn't left her hands since the fire. Thank you also to the ambulance crew and emergency social services. A huge thank you to our family, our neighbours, our friends, my children's teachers, and even people we barely know who have contributed so much and continue to do so in so many ways. To be receiving so much goodness from so many people is such a blessing. Thank you for all your kindness and support.

LISA ERCK
SSI

Fernwood Fun Fair
On May 28, Fernwood

School will have a Fun Fair from 3 to 5 p.m. We have this special event every year. I went last year and it was extremely fun and I bet you'll have fun too.

First you go and buy tickets, then you go through the booths and win prizes. There are contests like the Ring Toss, the Sponge Throw and the Fish Pond.

Our class is organizing the Face Painting station. There is lots of food available like pop, ice cream and hot dogs. Often the SIMS band plays and entertains everyone. I am positive you'll win prizes at our Fun Fair, so come!!

VAUGHAN GOOD
Miss T's Grade 3/4 Class
Fernwood School

On the cover

What a busy weekend! What glorious weather!

On the cover this week is a photo of two happy participants in this year's annual Fire Fighters Fund Raiser for Muscular Distrophy. Saturday's beef-on-a-bun barbeque, balloon and spotted dog event was sponsored by Mouat's and Thrifty's who provided (respectively) the barbeque raffled (and won by Dawn Akerman) and the dogs, beef, etc. consumed.

More than \$4700 was raised through the sale of more than 280 beef-on-a-buns and 420 hot dogs!

Filling the air around the happy diners were the sounds of live music performed for all at the Tree House Cafe. That part of the party continued on into Sunday and was part of Mouat's Street Party.

The Street Party was sponsored by Tree House Cafe, Mouat's and Acoustic Planet.

TIDE TABLES

AT FULFORD HARBOUR
Pacific Standard Time.
Measured in feet.

Day	Time	Feet
25	0125	10.2
	0830	4.3
MAY	1505	7.9
	1930	6.6
26	0155	10.2
	0900	3.6
MAY	1605	8.5
	2025	7.2
27	0220	9.8
	0930	3.3
MAY	1700	9.2
	2120	7.5
28	0240	9.8
	0955	2.6
MAY	1740	9.5
	2210	7.9
29	0305	9.5
	1025	2.3
MAY	1820	10.2
	2300	8.2
30	0330	9.5
	1055	2.0
MAY	1900	10.2
	2350	8.5
31	0355	9.5
	1125	1.6
MAY	1940	10.5
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JUNE	1155	1.6
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300 voices join in first all schools choir performance

by Michelle Mech

"United By Our Music" was a dream Shirley Bunyan had for quite a while—a dream to bring all the school choirs together to perform. And, on May 21, her dream became reality when 300 students from eight island school choirs sang together for the first time in Salt Spring history.

Dubbed "A Choral Celebration," the concert, which took place in the GISS gymnasium (the only location big enough), was enjoyed by some 500 audience members. The students sang two songs per choir and wrapped the evening up with a finale involving all 300 voices plus those of the Lost Chords seniors' choir singing Shirley Bunyan's "United by Our Music."

For most performers at the concert, Friday's audience was they largest they'd sung



Fernwood Junior Choir added costume—eye patches—to their performance.

before and for virtually all the massed choir finale song was a unique experience.

The start of the show was pirated away by the Grade 1 and 2 Fernwood Jr. Choir as, with black eye patches in place they sang of a Pirate Child. The other two Fernwood choirs delighted listeners with their singing while enhancing songs with

sailor hats and colourful umbrellas.

Fulford Elementary, dressed in coordinated shirts and vests, looked as sharp as they sang. Both Salt Spring Elementary and Salt Spring Centre chose lively songs from popular musicals, while SIMS provided a mix of harmonized acappella—the lead song from "Babe"—and

accompanied singing in "Pasta." The GISS choir ended the vocal tour of schools with outstanding acappella pieces which also featured solos by Korena Vine.

The Salt Spring Island Music Guild—of which Shirley Bunyan is a founding member—organized and promoted the concert with

Shirley as the primary motivator behind the event.

When asked why it was important to hold a recital of all student choirs on the island, Shirley said, "Studies have long shown that students who work with music do better overall. I recognize how important music is in schools. With all the education cutbacks that have happened, I see a group on Salt Spring working hard to keep music alive in our schools."

Another motivation for the concert was to expose school choirs to the general public in order to let the community know that "choral music is alive and well on Salt Spring."

School music directors and musical accompanists are to be applauded for their efforts in the preparation and performance of this wonderful choral celebration. Viewers were treated

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- Two year term

- Discussion of water consumption and budget for Year 2000

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A funny thing happened on the way to the election



Wit & Whimsy ... with Arthur Black

Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hard-working, honest citizens. It's the other lousy two percent that get all the publicity. But then, we elected them.
Lily Tomlin

Ah, the Antipolitician Bandwagon is an easy one to hitch a ride on, but I'll pass this time. The poor slob we send to Ottawa and to our provincial capitals have enough people slugging them day and night without my added tuppenceworth.

Truth is, I don't have high hopes for any politicians. These are people who usually started out as lawyers—and went downhill from there. I don't expect them to reflect qualities like honesty, scruples or integrity.

Hell, I'd be happy if politicians were just a little *funnier*. I'd settle for comic relief.

There was a time when politics and humour knew how to dance. The greatest comedic putdown in the history of the English language sprang from the lips of a British political malcontent by the name of

John Wilkes. Wilkes was responding to a slur from a political enemy, the Earl of Sandwich, who had told him: "Pon my word, Wilkes, I don't know whether you'll die on the gallows or of the pox."

To which Wilkes silkily rejoined: "That must depend, my Lord, on whether I first embrace your Lordship's principles, or your Lordship's mistresses."

Somehow I can't hear Mike Harris voicing a comeback like that.

The Brits of course are past masters at the art of political wit—none more so than the grandmaster of the century, Sir Winston Churchill.

Churchill once cast a withering gaze across the floor of the House of Commons at the honourable Leader of the Opposition and pronounced him, "a modest little man...with much to be modest about."

He described political skill as: "the ability to foretell what is going to happen tomorrow, next week, next month and next year. And to have the ability afterwards to explain why it didn't happen."

We've had our share of witty politicians on this side of the water—mostly in the past, alas. Abe Lincoln was a pretty funny guy. Homely too—but he didn't sweat it.

"The Lord prefers common-looking people," said Lincoln. "That's the reason he makes so many of them."

Lyndon Johnson, despite outward appearances of classic Crude Ol' Boyism, had a sharp tongue on him. "Oh, Gerry Ford's a nice enough guy," he once said of the I.Q.-challenged future President, "He just played too many football games without a helmet."

Here in Canada, humorous politicians are about as plentiful as palm trees...but the few we've had weren't half bad.

Sir John A. McDonald to political colleague D'Arcy McGee: "Look here, McGee, this government can't

afford to have two drunkards. You've got to stop."

John Diefenbaker on political polls: "Polls? I have no time for polls. You know what dogs do to poles...."

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau to Progressive Conservative critics in the House of Commons complaining about his new swimming pool: "You may come over at any time to practice your diving. Even before the water is in."

Mostly though, when our Canadian politicians enter a duel of wits, they go in barehanded. As in the case of Mitchell Hepburn, one-time Liberal premier of Ontario.

Speaking from the back of a manure spreader to a group of farmers during a political campaign, Hepburn decided to try and be witty. "Gentlemen," he announced, "this is the first time in my life that I have spoken from a Tory platform."

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Linda brings years of experience in the newspaper business in addition to her administrative skills.

Linda takes over from former office manager Rita Bowes who is relocating to Nelson, B.C. along with husband Jim.

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out & about



Martin Thorn photo

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my!

Martin Thorn's SIMS Grade Six French Immersion class (and some devoted parents) recently returned from a three day trip to Bamfield. During the camp-out they saw sea lions, bears and star fish as well as a lot of rain and a great deal of mud. The class visited the University of Victoria marine biology research station and hiked a bit of the West Coast Trail.



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Dock Talk ... with Peter Clarke

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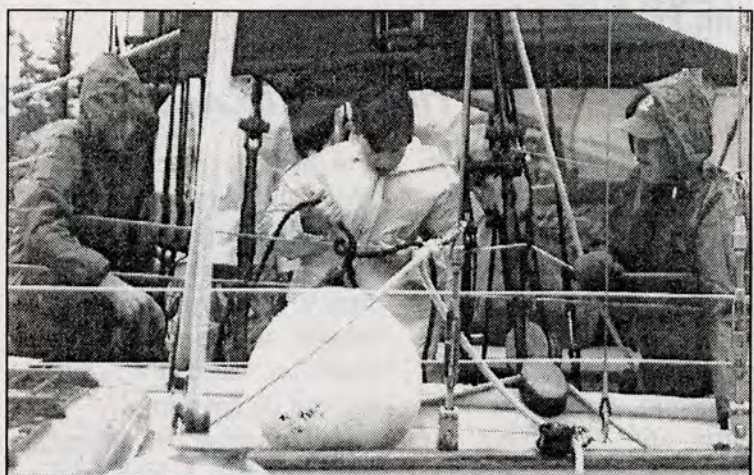
Ganges is the shop-and-shower stop on a five day voyage that will take them to Bedwell Harbour, Montague, Portland Island, Cowichan and Genoa Bays.

We caught up to one crew in the coin laundry...waiting for showers, sitting on the hot dryers. "I am definitely having fun," bubbled one Branton Junior High student. "They teach us the names of the ropes and stuff like that...but it's really cold out there."

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HARBOUR DOCKS MEET WAHL OF RESISTANCE

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Visiting Calgarians learn the ropes

ets. Your dentist's favourite toys? Perhaps. But in this case they're also part of Gord Wahl and company's dock maintenance list. We found Gord, Leigh Sturgess and WCB certified frogman Geoff Townsend busy last week reversing the wear and tear on the Kanaka (Outer Harbour) dock. The Harbour Authority has also enlisted the crew to tackle the sad looking Vesuvius float—timbers, stringers, redo the structure...still sounds like my last dental appointment.

FEEL-GOOD FERNWOOD

It's Mayvember and the radio in my truck just reminded me that I'm suffering from SAD—Seasonable Algebraic Dementia or something like that. I always thought the letters stood for "Salt Springers Aren't Downers" but I was wrong. How

depressing.

I deal with an attack of SAD by going to my favourite GLAD (Great Living Any Day) spot, Fernwood. I get out to the end of the pier and hunker down on the warm wood of the gentling rocking float and watch the boats pass quietly in the channel, leaving this drowsy islander in their wakes. The air is pungent and sweet, and the exposed sea bottom steams and gurgles with life. In the sky overhead, a pinwheeling swallow writes Q's in the air before diving into the piles to feed her chicks. But I only hear the hungry chirps...my eyes have closed and I snooze.

Here's a multiple choice question to contemplate over the next week. I'm hoping it will encourage and raise the level of debate in the community. I'll have an answer of some kind next week.

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Relearning how to walk with Feldenkrais

The Healing Island ... with William Gough

As I arrived at Anna Haltrecht's studio I realized that healers on Salt Spring Island have an advantage over their colleagues in the city — their closeness to the power of nature.

I stepped out of my car, looked towards St. Mary Lake and breathed in fresh air. Although I was looking forward to this session of the Feldenkrais approach, I was also feeling a certain sadness. This was to be my final article for *the Barnacle* about our healing island. I had no reason to continue with more columns. After all, I felt better, slept well and had an energy that was more like a man a decade younger than my actual age. Now I was about to learn how to keep everything in balance.

This healing visit was an acknowledgement of my left ankle. When I was sixteen I had run full speed through

the night towards home. In the dark I had taken one glorious leap that I still remember. While I was in the air the leap seemed eternal; when my left foot hit the ground, I learned a lot about dislocation, tearing of ligaments and shattering. At that time, lengthy physiotherapy helped me find my steps again. I learned how to compensate for the limp, how to walk normally, again. Or had I?

I learned that it was because of her injuries as a dancer that Anna had first sought her own healing. And that it was the Feldenkrais approach that... "touched me very profoundly — I could learn it, and discover on my own!"

As we move, as we walk, sit, bend, pick up objects, our body reveals, to the practiced eye, the entire history of its movements. Anna adds, "I'm not out to fix you,

I'm here to give you some clues and some opportunity for you to further your learning, and I can help you learn how to learn. And that's what Moshe Feldenkrais felt—that if we 'learn how to learn' we can do anything."

I'm a sucker for animals, and so when I look at the studio door and see that Anna's cat is meowing to be let in, I insist that she be allowed one visit — we make our hellos and the cat retreats to a corner, while I take a simple walk around the studio. As I walk, I sense Anna's healing eyes watching my every move, until she reaches over and, ever so slightly, lifts my head as I walk. I feel my body sensing the memory of how I walked a very long time ago, when I was a free-moving child.

Then to the treatment table, where Anna makes a number of small adjustments, moving, sensing

resistance; sensing release. All of this information is absorbed by me at a sub-conscious level. At a highly conscious level, I realize that the cat has suddenly joined me, and now licks my left ear — exactly where a dog had licked my ear in my Reiki session. The cat is sent away and I wonder if somehow even the animals on Salt Spring have gathered to help in the healing process.

After the session, I stand for a moment looking at the lake, sensing a return to a balance — perhaps the balance of Springtime.

When I return home to see my wife, I walk with ease up the hill that leads to our home, and I pause once more, taking in the view, the ocean, the hills sweeping down to the sea. I breathe in the calm still air of this Island, and I thank whatever forces helped bring me here — to this, our healing Island.

Anglicans celebrate 450th Anniversary of Book of Common Prayer

On Sunday, May 30th Anglican parishioners will gather at St. Mark's Central to commemorate the 450th anniversary of the Book of Common Prayer.

The "Prayer Book" is credited as having had a significant role in the dramatic

increase of literacy that occurred during the late 16th and early 17th centuries in England and subsequently in her colonies.

The celebration of this anniversary at St. Mark's will take the form of a celebration of the Holy

Eucharist in the form and language which was used when the book was first printed in 1549. The music for the service will be that which was composed during the mid to late 16th century. All are welcome, the service will begin at 10

a.m. A light luncheon (potluck) will follow the service. As a consequence of this special celebration, there will be no services at either St. Mary's Fulford Harbour or at All Saints by-the-Sea on Sunday May 30th.

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Tortilla soup brings back Mexico

Let's Eat... Linda Koroscil

I invited my friend Jill for dinner the other night and I served tortilla soup. As I ladled it into steaming hot bowls something happened. We were suddenly in Mexico. It was that unmistakable smell in the air that hits you in the face as you step off the airplane, sort of an earthy blend of desert dust and fried tortillas.

Well, the reminiscing went from bad to worse and she said, "Doesn't Salt Spring need a Mexican restaurant?"

Let's do it!"

My immediate reaction was, "Are you nuts? Snap out of it!" A couple of knocks to the head with my pinata and she was back to reality. I steered her back to Puerto Vallarta the last time we were there.

"Remember when blah blah blah, and who can forget yadah yadah yadah, and we actually always had two rooms, one of which was called "sick bay," because if the Mexican-two-step didn't

get us the drinks at Elset Restaurant did. Quite possibly the most charming man in all of Mexico performs there. His name is Paco Martin. His timing is impeccable—just as the sun sinks below the horizon he sings "The Sunset Song." He flashes his smile and we all toast the moment with a slushy lime margarita. If Jill and I ever did decide to open a Mexican restaurant it just wouldn't work—we wouldn't have Paco Martin!

Tortilla Soup—A Feast for the Eyes

4 large tomatoes, roasted and peeled	3 corn tortillas
1 large white onion, roasted and chopped	vegetable oil for frying
4 garlic cloves, roasted and peeled	1 dried chili, seeded
1 tbsp oil	1 avocado, chopped
3 1/2 cups chicken stock	100 g feta cheese, crumbled
2 tbsp cilantro, chopped	

Blend tomatoes, onion and garlic until smooth. Heat oil and add tomato mixture and cook until reduced to 2 1/2 cups. Add stock and simmer for 10 minutes. Add cilantro. Cut tortillas in strips, fry until crisp, drain. Cut chili into dice, fry. Divide tortilla strips into bowls, pour over soup, serve with chilis, avocado and cheese.

Meatless dish retains gusto of original

Salt Spring Sizzles.... with Gail Dyson

Soybean Stroganov

1 1/2 cups sliced onions	3 cups chopped mushrooms
1/4 cup oil and butter	1/2 cup whole wheat flour
3/4 cup vegetable stock	1/4 cup sherry
2 tsp each salt and dry mustard	2 tsp Worcestershire sauce
1/8 tsp ground nutmeg	1 cup dry soybeans, cooked
1 1/2 cups yogurt	1 1/2 cups raw bulgur wheat, cooked

Heat the oil and butter in a large cast iron frying pan. Sauté the onions and mushrooms until they are soft. Stir in the whole wheat flour and cook for about 2 minutes, until the flour has browned lightly and has coated all of the vegetables. Stir in the stock, sherry, salt, Worcestershire, mustard and nutmeg. Cook until the mixture is thick. When it is very thick, stir in the cooked soybeans over low heat until they are heated through. Remove from the heat and stir in the yogurt. You should have a luscious creamy mixture now. Serve the stroganov over the hot cooked bulgur. Serves six.

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Sticking to the straight and narrow path

Tilling the soil at Ruckle Farm

Photos and story by Peter Clarke

More than 150 islanders braved the unseasonable weather and made the trek back in time to Ruckle Farm during this year's annual BC Parks Family Farm Day, May 6.

We'd like to be able to say it went off without a hitch...but it didn't. In fact, thanks to the presence of the Vancouver Island Draft Horse Club and its three teams of beautiful Belgians, there were at least six hitches and as many traces and harnesses.

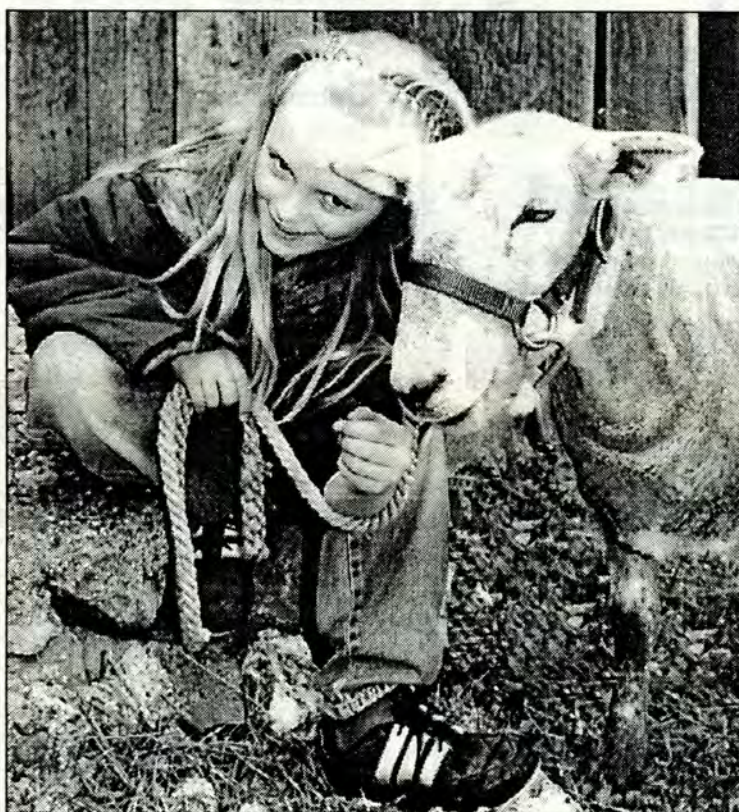
Watching all this toiling can take a lot out of a spectator but the 4H Club and Lions were there to remedy that by offering something to put back into the empty spaces. Fresh baking, hot dogs, burgers and fried

onions—for the price of a donation you could get traditionally stuffed.

And for those who just wanted to get hammered there were members of the Vancouver Island Blacksmith Association pounding red hot unrefined iron into all manner of curious objects from plant holders to horse shoe puzzles.

For the price of a smile and a hand stuck out, youngsters also took home a one-of-a-kind custom fitted shoe-nail ring.

We didn't find any preserves, but there was a jam session in the barn where volunteer musicians Denis Donnelly, Rebecca Bernson and friend Valdy offered up a lively mix of farm songs and fiddle tunes—a taste of what music was like before we started canning it.



Counter-clockwise from top: The Vancouver Island Draft Horse Club has demonstrated traditional plowing regularly for the past 10 years at Ruckle Park; Belgian draft horses Prince and JoRo Rose; Justine Watkins (nine) with yearling ewe Izzy—last year's 4H project; Belgians Rochie and Day with young plower.

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Far from the Himalayas

Tibetan Buddhist
Nuns to perform at
ArtSpring May 30th

by Dayle Gaetz

For the first time, the Tibetan Buddhist nuns of Khachoe Ghakyil Nunnery have left the Himalayan Mountains and set out on a North America tour.

Salt Spring Islanders will have a rare chance to hear and see the nuns perform Sunday, May 30 at ArtSpring. The concert will include sacred music, dance, and theatre through which the nuns introduce audiences to the "central role women have played in the spiritual life of Tibet."

"The nuns have fabulous costumes and masks ... "they really involve the audience in the performance," said Tema Dawn, responsible for bringing the troupe to Salt Spring.

The modern and ancient dances performed by Khachoe Ghakyil Nuns are inspired by Tibetan female saints. Perhaps one of the best known of these saints was Machig Lapdrön who is considered to have been a Dakini or "Sky-Dancer." In "The Dance of the Dakinis" the nuns perform a "twirling ritual of homage and praise to the divine feminine principle."



Tibetan nuns

Khachoe Ghakyil Nunnery in Nepal, offers refuge and opportunity for Tibetan women who seek religious freedom. The number of nuns has grown from five the present 200, an increase that strains the nunnery's resources. To help raise funds, eleven nuns were picked to travel on this tour, carefully chosen for their superb talents in the ritual arts.

Narrating the program will be one of the nunnery's founders, Thubten Dekyong, a highly regarded teacher and translator.

Although Buddhist nunneries have existed for hundreds of years, until very

recently nuns did not have access to study, debate and traditional education. A liberalizing shift occurred following the exile of Tibetans to India and Nepal. Founded in 1986 under Lama Zopa Rinpoche, Khachoe Ghakyil Nunnery is a prime example of how the old and the new can blend.

Sunday night's performance will provide a wonderful opportunity to see a high calibre performance and enjoy a glimpse of evolving Tibetan religious culture.

One performance only at ArtSpring, Sunday May 30, 8p.m. Tickets \$22 at ArtSpring Box Office.

Keith Murray "It's a Beautiful Thing"

Rap Chat ... with Matt Cecill

After three solo albums, Keith Murray is considered a veteran in the world of rap. His style is unusual as he uses his words to convey a different message than first appears. Keith Murray has been battling it out with rap's finest for four years and, with strong lyrical skills coupled with the production talent of Erick Sermon, he has a good chance of gaining a lot of respect through his

latest album.

I definitely have mixed feelings about this album. I found myself wanting to get into the songs, but none of the beats seemed to grab my attention.

At the same time, though, Keith Murray's lyrics were impressive. It's always nice to hear a unique style of rapping, and that is definitely the case with this album. Keith Murray has stayed

true to his own style over the years rather than molding into what seems to be selling cd's at the time.

This album is what I expected from Keith Murray. As a member of The Def Squad, he got the job done lyrically, and he maintains that same skill level in this album. Although I would like to have seen more creativity from Erick Sermon with the production.

Voices continued from p6.

to an enjoyable variety of songs and singing formats—some including choreography—while the sight and sound of all of these student singers emphasized the importance of maintaining music programs in our education system.

This massive choral concert was a significant task, including finding a date that worked for all involved, coordination and the physical setting up of the GISS gymna-

sium. Moving chairs from several locations to provide sufficient seating was, in itself, an onerous task and kudos to the district's maintenance staff for helping to make this happen. The GISS Leadership Class and the school staff, as well as the Lost Chords seniors' choir are also to be applauded for their invaluable assistance in setting up the performance.

Water and war on Gypsy Hill

Susan Cogan's new cd includes themes of healing and destruction

by Shelagh Plunkett

Well I've had enough/Of this shake down take down break down city stuff/There's a well on Gypsy Hill/Gonna take my cup and have my fill

So begins the title track on Susan Cogan's latest cd, to be officially released May 29 during a party at the Lion's Hall. Water is present and, when she sings "Well I dreamed last night/That the world had all agreed to end this fight," so is war. Throughout *Gypsy Hill* these two themes are repeated.

The cd includes music written by Susan over a 25 year period. Evocative and haunting as well as upbeat and danceable, the cuts on the cd cover a range of world, celtic, funk and folk, and throughout Susan's beautiful and polished voice. Complex lyrics as well as simple meditative chants makes *Gypsy Hill* a pleasure.

The cd begins with the sound of thunder and ends with a trickle of water—war and healing.

When asked about these themes, Susan said, "I haven't worked it out yet, but as much as this tour is about music and singing, it's also an exploration journey for me. It's a journey of discovery. Maybe when I come back I'll know more of why water and war."

The journey is to be a long one. On June 4 and 5, following concerts in Vancouver, Susan kicks off a tour that will take her four months away from home on Salt Spring and as far away as the East Coast and parts of the U.S. Calling it her Earthwalk, Susan says she'll have enough time between engagements to enjoy a sense of adventure.

Seeing evidence of the work involved in marketing an independently produced cd however, it's hard to imagine she'll have time to relax or explore while on the road.

As well as being the artist, as an independent Susan has to be her own business team.



Susan Cogan's peaceful garden provides an environment where her art can flourish.

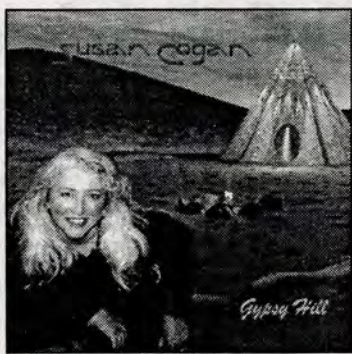
She describes the production of the cd as "a labour of love" for those involved and credits Robert Osborne and Devon Guest as the "angels" helping her manage the enormous workload.

Part of the work involved is convincing radio stations to play cuts off the cd. With a blend of music styles as wide as those found on *Gypsy Hill* that can be a very difficult task.

"We're culturally mesmerized by the U.S. and if your music doesn't fit into a pocket it gets lost, you can't reach an audience," said Susan explaining that radio stations and music stores aren't quite sure where to slot her cd.

Susan says that, as with many artists, the business side of being an independent is her Achilles heal but, she ads, she's learning to enjoy the work.

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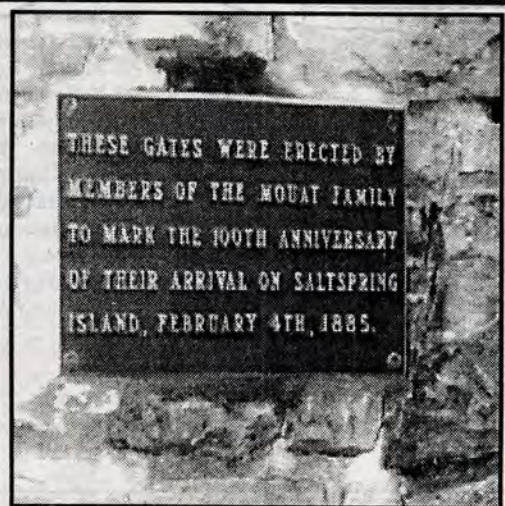
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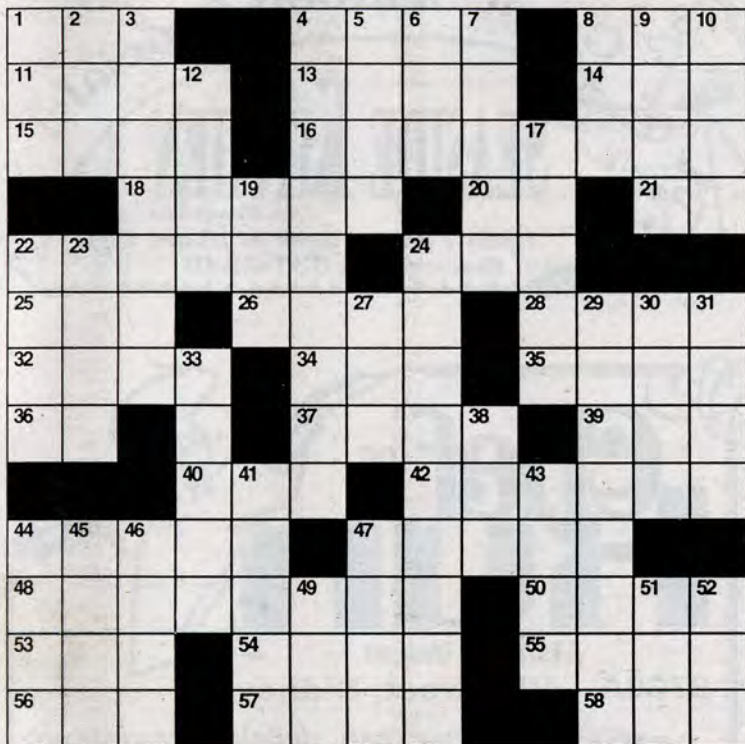
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- 1 Buddy
- 4 Melville character
- 8 Kind of accountant, abbr.
- 11 Verse form
- 13 Overlay with wood
- 14 Priest's vestment
- 15 Gambling destination
- 16 South Saskatchewan town
- 18 Son of Mercury and Venus
- 20 Yes, in Pamplona
- 21 Nova Scotia, for short
- 22 Ran off
- 24 Social follower
- 25 Abner, for one
- 26 Manitoba Premier, once
- 28 Carry
- 32 Teener's curse
- 34 Partner of neither
- 35 Talipot palm leaf
- 36 Compass point
- 37 Weekday, abbr.
- 39 Shoe brand
- 40 Int. distress signal
- 42 Aplenty
- 44 Pre-Mayan civilization
- 47 Drill
- 48 South Alberta town
- 50 New Brunswick creek
- 53 Printer's concern
- 54 Mediterranean Island
- 55 Early concert halls
- 56 Cheer part
- 57 Hindmost
- 58 Second last reward?

DOWN

- 1 Hour or cent prefix
- 2 Imitate
- 3 Ontario town
- 4 Fender benders
- 5 Beer froth
- 6 Assist
- 7 Joy
- 8 Calvin, for short
- 9 Design
- 10 Basics
- 12 ___de grace
- 17 Jamaican dance
- 19 Church bench
- 22 Spirit
- 23 Vermin
- 24 Episodic
- 27 Promissory note, for short
- 29 Ontario community
- 30 Winged
- 31 Scallywag
- 33 Ontario County
- 38 Slump
- 41 Yellowish orange
- 43 Tonight's host
- 44 Above
- 45 Buddhist religious teacher
- 46 Dog racer's cry
- 47 Sunrise, in Madrid
- 49 IPA, e.g.
- 51 Weed or gull prefix
- 52 Come to pass

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Mullein to keep wild animals at bay

Magic in Herbs ... with Barbara Rikwerda

Mullein (*Verbascum thapsus*) is a densely woolly, usually biennial herb that is native to Europe and Asia, common in the British Isles and has become extensively naturalized in North America since the colonist's first brought it here. (For them it was a plant to smoke.)

In some areas it is a troublesome weed, a "prolific self-sower." Many authorities recommend removing the flower head before seeds ripen to keep it under control. I planted one several years ago in a bad "temporary" spot where it has never been taken care of, yet faithfully it appears every year, growing taller than I am. It has never reproduced another anywhere else.

The fact that it has behaved itself so well appeals to me. In one book it says mullein means "good nature." I agree, but you better reread the above paragraph before you plant yours.

Elsewhere it says that during the Middle Ages the French used the herb to treat malandre, an animal disease. "Malandre eventually became malen, and finally mullein."

It has some interesting folk names: Candlewick plant, velvet dock, candellaria, our lady's candle, etc. When dried, mullein burns readily.

Before the introduction of cotton, the ancients used its leaves and stems as candle wicks. The dried stems and flowers were also dipped in suet to make them burn longer, thus the common folk name "torch."

Its botanical family name, *Scrophulariaceae*, is derived from scrofula, an old term for chronically swollen lymph glands, later identified as a form of tuberculosis. Eyebright, figwort and foxglove are of the same family.

Mullein is high in iron, magnesium, potassium, sulphur, vitamins A, D and the B complex. It also contains narcotic properties that are not habit forming, but have a calming effect on all inflamed and irritated nerves, thus making it a great painkiller and aid in inducing sleep.

It also has properties that are especially effective for the upper respiratory system, and has had a special reputation for that from early history to now. In the test tube mullein inhibits the growth of the bacteria that causes tuberculosis.

King's American Dispensary asserted: "Upon the upper portion of the respiratory tract, its influence is pronounced." The 19th century Eclectics recommended mullein for colds, coughs, asthma, and tonsillitis, as well as diarrhea, hemorrhoids and urinary tract infection. It has the reputation of being a good remedy to relieve hay fever, shortness

of breath, bronchitis, pectoral complaints, including hemorrhages from the lungs, and is a glandular re-builder. Culpeper wrote that "gargling a mullein decoction easeth toothache ... and old cough." He also added that "the powder of the dried flowers is an

especial remedy for those that are troubled with the belly ache or the pains of colic."

Mullein is also an astringent. It contains tannin, which helps in contracting body tissues. That is probably the reason for its traditional use in diarrhea, bleeding bowels and hemorrhoids. For hemorrhoids a compress made with a strong, cooled infusion is applied. A poultice of the flowers on the outside of the mouth for toothache pain or outside the ear for earache was also used. A cloth dipped in hot mullein tea and applied topically to mumps, sore throat, tumors and venereal disease is still said to help. A

little vitamin E oil with the tea could be helpful for diaper rash when applied on the skin.

The tea is made with about one teaspoon of the flowers seeped in a cup of boiling water (don't boil the tea). It is necessary that the flowers are bright yellow whether fresh or dried because the healing qualities are connected with the colouring matter. The slightest discoloration makes them less effective. Drinking three cups a day should be enough for internal use. Never eat its seeds—they are toxic.

The Food and Drug Administration includes mullein in the list of herbs generally regarded as safe. Now that we've cured ourselves of all the above problems, let's have some fun.

Magical uses: Mullein is worn to keep wild animals from you while hiking in untamed areas. It also instills courage in the bearer, and a few leaves placed in the shoe keeps one from catching cold.

Mullein is also carried to obtain love from the opposite sex. In India, mullein was regarded as the most potent safeguard against evil spirits and magic, and was hung over doors, in windows and carried in sachets. In the Ozarks, men performed a simple love divination. The man went to a clearing where a mullein grew and bent it down so that it pointed towards his love's house. If she loved him the mullein would grow upright again; if she loved another it would die. Both in Europe and the East the plant was also said to have the power of driving away evil spirits.

I think I'll check on the neglected area where my mullein plant has so faithfully returned every year. It may be worth keeping after all.



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Life in the garden ... with Joe Clemente



I'm sure most of you gardeners are familiar with magnolia trees, but what you probably didn't realize is that there are in the neighborhood of 100 or more species of these beautiful trees.

Magnolias are native to areas in Asia, North America, Japan to the Himalayas, and Central America to Venezuela in South America. Many species of the magnolia family thrive in our climate. There are some very old specimens growing on Salt Spring.

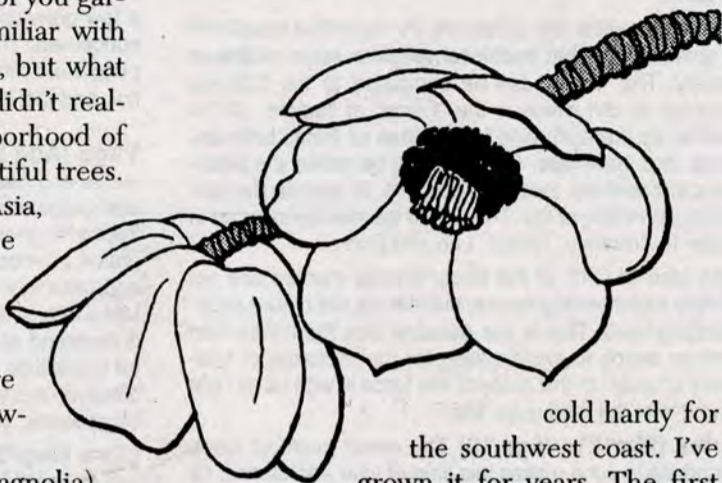
Magnolia soulangiana (saucer magnolia) is quite common on our island. It is extremely cold hardy, and can be grown as far north as zone 5, or should I say as far east! It puts on an incredible flower display in the spring of large tulip-shaped flowers. There are several different coloured varieties of *soulangiana*, with shades from white to purple flowers. This variety can grow as high as 25 feet.

Another popular variety is *Magnolia stellata* (star magnolia). It is a smaller tree that can eventually reach 15 to 20 feet with nice white star-shaped flowers.

Magnolia sieboldii makes a very attractive tree to 30 feet, with their white fragrant flowers and red stamens.

My two favourite magnolias are of course the more exotic ones that are completely cold hardy for our area. *Magnolia macrophylla*, "large-leaved cucumber tree," can grow to near 50 feet tall, and it has leaves up to three feet long with creamy white large flowers. If you come across one in a garden you definitely won't miss it because of its massive foliage.

My personal favourite is *Magnolia grandiflora*, or "southern magnolia." It is the only evergreen magnolia species of all the others I've described. *Magnolia grandiflora* is fully



cold hardy for the southwest coast. I've grown it for years. The first ones I planted many years ago have become nice sized trees and are producing large 10-inch across white fragrant flowers from July until frost. Southern *Magnolia grandiflora* has very thick shiny dark green foliage that remains on the tree year round, and they can grow to at least 80 feet in height at maturity, so they need lots of room to grow. There are some very good sized specimens of *Magnolia grandiflora* on Salt Spring.

Almost all varieties of magnolia thrive under similar growing conditions. They should be planted in well-drained, fertile, loamy soil. Soil that holds moisture is best. Young trees like generous amounts of water through the dry months. Full sun to partial shade is great.

When magnolias get their roots established they transplant with difficulty, except for the evergreen southern magnolia. I've transplanted an established southern *Magnolia grandiflora*. I moved it without any problem. It didn't seem to mind being planted in its new location. That was in my last garden south of Vancouver on the mainland. It produces flowers every year.

Hopefully this will help you out when the time comes to choose the right magnolia for your garden.

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TIP OF THE WEEK

"May the force be with you!" The hype and excitement of the new Star Wars trilogy is gaining global attention. How interesting that this first episode of the new trilogy is about the historical build up behind the first three part series and in the last year of the millennium! Many will claim that the classic appeal of good overcoming darkness is the draw and yet there is something more. Some will say it is the gee-whiz of techno wizardry that is the draw and yet there is something else. Beneath it all is the provocative idea of "the force" that people are really after.

Many journalists are comparing the hype to a need to fill a spiritual void that traditional religions seem unable to satisfy. The "force" can be compared to the Chinese concept of ch'i which is the "Force" of Taoism. Ch'i is said to be the animating force within all things both animate and inanimate. Ch'i can also be called the intelligence, creativity, love and purpose of god as the animating principle of life. These four themes correspond in order to Aquarius, Taurus, Leo and Scorpio.

The idea of Ch'i, or the force, implies that we are not simply experiencing nature, but that we are nature experiencing itself. This is the paradox that the mystic can find no words to explain save for the message of oneness or unity. In this respect, the force is with us all right and it is in the 'bad guys' too.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) The sweet scent of roses blooming in June makes this time of year enchanting. Of course, the thorns on the branch remind us that there are other realities beyond the bright colors and perfume fragrances. Like mature loving relationships, a dozen such flowers only go so far. Clear, honest communication about who we are and what we feel and want is the cake beneath the poetic icing. Our values and priorities are changing. Economic realities are creating more freedom. Be prepared to negotiate some win/win deals.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 20) You are feeling more independent and risky by the day. The spectrum of possibilities is growing. You are eager to flirt with the prospects. This is a time to really get in touch with what brings you passion. There are so many available options that you feel like a kid in a candy store window. Unfortunately, the world tells you that you have to make a choice and stick with it. Then again, do you really have to commit? "They" are not always right and they do not know how you feel. You can choose more than one. Just don't go choosing someone else's....

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20) Your sights are set on the future and you are ready to investigate. Curiosity may have killed a cat or two, but suffocating under the weight of not knowing can be pure agony. This is a good time to take independent initiative to join with others of like mind and interest. Of course, you will be interested in a wide spectrum of activities. Get out there and be social! Get to know the people in your neighborhood or fly to another country. Just don't be alone now. Just remember that everyone has a right to have opinions.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22) You know that cliché: "you want your cake and to eat it too"? Well it was created by a masochist. Of course you want the whole deal. No! Just put it on the table and chain me up. The question is, is it really your cake? Ownership is a funny thing. The world is hell bent on it and it is often the source of misery. That is why comics and cartoons make stories about diabolical geniuses who want to own the whole world. We are told the world is small. How do you think that plays on the imagination of the spiritually impoverished or emotionally wounded? Contemplate why you and yours want what you do.

Leo (Jul 23 - Aug 22) Sharing your dreams and visions with others is a main theme now. Your mind is open and you feel tickled. You may also feel a little radical about the freedom to express yourself as you feel inclined. Where others block your particular style of expression you may feel a little reactive. The astrological weather patterns suggest that we all are in need of a few grow up lessons where freedom of expression is concerned. The lion may be the king of the jungle, but people live in communities. Allow laughter to curb reaction and just be honest about your experience.

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For the week, by Michael O'Connor
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Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22) Reaching out to make your wants and needs known is upon you. Take a deliberate and pragmatic approach where necessary but do ask. Your willingness to assume full responsibility for your situation is important. If you are uncertain about how to approach key people or parties, ask about that as well. Make efforts to translate your objectives so that you fully understand what they are. The clearer you are the better you will be understood. Through this process you will discover more of who you are and what you want. In other words, you can't lose.

Libra (Sep 23 - Oct 22) A search for meaning finds you in heated debate. This may be an argument being raged in your own mind, but it is more likely that others are involved. You do well to consider that some of your views may be radical and unbalanced. Of course you have your right to see things the way you do. Yet are your views productive in light of the larger picture of your life. Personal experience determines what is true for us personally and effectiveness is the measure of what is true in general. Of course, no person or group knows "the truth". Would you rather be happy or right?

Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 22) The soul is said to be the seat of desire. Like reality, the soul is said to be dual in nature. On one hand we desire to move toward the source and the other we desire to move away. The irony of this is that "the source" has a personal function. In other words, no two people are destined to move toward the source in exactly the same way. Moving away from the source implies resisting the flow of change that naturally guides us towards experiences for our learning. Can we ever truly say: "this is who I am" when everything is in a constant state of change? It's time to move towards your source.

Capricorn (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Flipping through books and magazines or perhaps surfing the web with hopes of improving the quality of your life is in focus. You may soon discover, however, that nothing out there can meet what you need within. At least nothing out there right now will meet your needs. This is simply because you are experiencing a change of heart. Interestingly, you may feel more committed to what is familiar and secure on one hand and thirst for something new you can't quite define on the other. This is what an existential crisis is all about.

Aquarius (Jan 21 - Feb 19) A wave of interest in learning new things is stimulating your mind now. You crave a more creative outlet and are willing to invest into education. In love you may even feel somewhat fickle but are aware that it is worth giving more to the situation as well. To successfully deal with important dealings with family members, clarify what is real for you. Be diplomatic, but do not allow others to project their opinions and values upon you. Things stand to get stormy and emotional so be ready for anything. Be true to your heart.

Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20) Dealings with people in positions of power and authority may catch you by surprise this week. You are eager to take initiatives that will improve your lot. You are willing to negotiate a deal, but you may find that the terms being laid out to you are more than what you bargained for. This is a challenge to mature, especially in financial arenas. Of course, sex and money are often a part of the same story. Be willing to take risks and be ready to rise to the occasion. There is much yet to learn about balance.

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Fernwood School a hive of varied activity

These articles were submitted by Miss T's Grade 3/4 class at Fernwood Elementary.

Grade Ten Work Experience

by Amy Zacharias

All the Grade 10s have to work with someone for a week. This is called Work Experience Week. They do this to see maybe what they want to do when they grow up. Some students are working in book stores, grocery stores, radio stations, offices, the vets and schools.

Kathryn Lannan who is a sister of someone in our class is working at Fernwood School in Miss T's class. Kathryn does things for Miss T, like correcting math, reading stories, helping with projects and more. She has learned that there are different and easier ways of helping students. She has also noticed that teachers are not as serious as they seemed to be when she was in Grade 4. They like to have fun and joke around. A teacher's work is not as easy as it first seems because you have to know what you are doing and you have to be able to explain things well. All the teachers stay behind after school for many hours.

Kathryn wants to be a teacher because she has helped her younger brother and sister with their early math and reading skills. She also volunteers at the hospital and generally enjoys helping others. It's been great for us to have an extra 'teacher' for the week!

Swim Lessons

by Geoff Cronin

Fulford, Salt Spring Elementary and Fernwood schools are taking one week swimming lessons at Portlock Park during May and June. A lot of the classes from our school are going this week and some of them are going in June.

This week the pool has been having problems with the filter system, so we missed the first two days of lessons. We finally got started on Wednesday!

There were three instructors and they divided us up into three groups. These lessons are great because we get to practice our swimming while spending time with our friends. Some kids swim better because they try harder when they see what their friends can do.

Although we had a short week of swimming, we enjoyed every minute!

Student Teacher

by Brendan Nickerson

A few weeks ago Clare Mullen, a university student, was here to learn about how to be a teacher. She was at Fernwood Elementary School for three weeks, teaching in Miss T's class.

She helped us work with colours. We made a colour wheel, learned about the colour spectrum and about ultra violet and infra red light. We made a rainbow out of water and paper, using a mirror. She taught us about storymaps and we made some literary passports. In P.E. she taught us three new games, which we still play today. She also helped out with marking, reading journals and reading of stories.

Clare will make a very good teacher and we hope to see her again!

How to hire a contractor

Renovation Sense ... with Peter Blackmore

Part 2—Having found a reputable contractor or company for your renovation, it's time to meet in person. But before you do, compile a list of points and questions, or have blueprints, etc. ready. (Bear in mind too that many contractors offer planning or design services.)

You will want to learn about the contractor's skills, experience and past projects.

You would expect him or her to go through your ideas with you, and for the contractor to offer advice and criticism. Do not expect a detailed estimate on the spot, but as you walk through your planned project an experienced contractor will probably give you a ballpark figure.

If you have positive first impressions about the renovators you've spoken with, check with them for references. Talk to their past customers, see their work and get a feel for whether you want to enter into a working relationship with them.

If you have decided upon, perhaps, three renovators, ask for detailed estimates from each. Provide the same information to each bidder and let them know they are competing. This is only decent as some renovators may not wish to spend several hours of unpaid work to find that you only want to check if your uncle's brother-in-law is not trying to "rip you off."

Be prepared for your renovator to ask about his or her competitors or why, all things being equal, he or she hasn't got the job (this does

help us to correct errors in our presentations or attitudes, although we may not like it). Make sure, however, that the estimates you request are all for the same thing.

Don't necessarily choose the lowest bid for your reno. You may find that items omitted have suddenly become "extras" as the work progresses and remember, "cheap work is not good, good work is not cheap."

It is always recommended that you work with a contract. It is best to have a written agreement at the start of the job no matter how small. Either the renovators will provide their own, or have a standard industry contract. So saying, most work done here is by "gentleman's" agreement and a handshake. But beware, there is the off person out there who is not a "gentleman."

Ask, too, about billing procedures. Is a percentage required up front? Does the contractor supply materials? Can you holding back 10 per cent until satisfied with the outcome? On a big job will you be billed monthly?

And remember, schedule your work appropriate to the season. Most contractors have to defer or refuse work during the spring and summer months. Winter is a great time to finish that basement, paint the exterior, renovate that bathroom. Whilst renovators don't all head to Mexico in the winter, we do need to eat during those "off" months.

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FAMILY PLACE wishes to thank the Lion's Club and the Rotary Club "for connecting with kindness" and donating to Family Place.

TOONIE TRIBUTES

An inexpensive way to say thanks in the Barnacle. Up to 20 words for only two dollars includes GST. Ads must be placed by 4 p.m. Fridays.

Buy a **DISPLAY CLASSIFIED** this size (2-1/2") in the Barnacle for only **\$24.13*** (plus GST)
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140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY BULLETIN board now at the Barnacle - display your notices and posters for upcoming events on our giant bulletin board. Drop-off during office hours or use our mail slot.

SUSAN COGAN Gypsy Hill Tour & CD Release Party, Saturday, May 29 from 7:30 p.m., Lions Hall, 103 Bonnet Avenue - Refreshments - Everyone welcome. Admission free. Come celebrate!

SALTSPRING ISLAND Youth Soccer Annual General Meeting Monday, June 7, 1999, GISS Library at 7 p.m. The AGM is open to all parents who have a child or children playing soccer on Salt Spring. We will be discussing rules and regulations, registration, dates of interest, coaches, and elections of Executive. Hope to see you there. If you require any further information please call Deb Anglos, 537-9870.

FULFORD DAY Society Annual General Meeting at Fulford O.A.P. this Wednesday, June 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Volunteer coordinators welcome.

POST/PRE-NATAL Yoga canceled for June. Look forward to seeing you in July. For more information call Natalie, 653-4455.

LABYRINTH MEETING: The Earth Day Interfaith Council is sponsoring a meeting to discuss the creation of a Labyrinth (a design used in walking meditation) on Salt Spring, Thursday, May 27th, 7:30 p.m. United Church Upper Hall.

IN CONCERT Stack Sisters and Lisa Maxx. POSTPONED UNTIL JUNE 25. Lion's Club Hall, 8pm.

GEORGIA O'KEEFE'S paintings will be inspiration for Acrylic Workshop. June 25th - 27th. Friday - Sunday. Come & paint big! Call Val Konig, 537-9531.

the Salt Spring Island Conservancy
Looks at our marine environment
June 12 & 13
Boat tour to Sansum Narrows, workshop, beach walks.
For info, call Fiona at 653-9202

140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

Greenwoods
Intermediate Care Facility
20th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, June 5
1pm-4pm
•Special guests
•Musical entertainment
•Strawberry tea
•Silent auction
•Tours of the facility
Please join us!

BUILD-A-BOAT 1999

June 12 ~ 10am-2pm
Centennial Park Ganges
Entry forms are now available for this year's contest from Windsor Plywood in Ganges. This year's annual Build-a-Boat contest will be part of the Coast Guard Auxiliaries' "Boating Safety Days".
Call 653-9392 for more details

Now that it's warm, get outside & get fit!

Waterfit at Shelby Pool
•Mon. & Wed. - 8-9pm
•Friday - 7-8pm
Outdoor Boxerfit at Portlock Park Track
•Tues/Thurs - 7:15 - 8:15pm
BCRPA Certified Aquafit/Aerobics Instructor
Dawn Hogarth
653-9822 for more info or PARC 537-4448

140 • UPCOMING EVENTS

The Salt Spring Centre
SUMMER YOGA at the Centre
All Levels
Mondays, 9-10:30am
with Kalpana until June 28, then Celeste from July 5 to July 26.
Thursdays, 4-5:30pm
Celeste until July 29
Join our yoga classes at the 24th Annual Ashtanga Yoga Retreat August 5-15
Schedule to be announced
For information call Sharon 537-2326

VICTORIAN TEA & SLIDE SHOW
Saturday, May 29
1:30-3:30 pm
Salt Spring United Church (111 Hereford Avenue)
Celebrating our 100th anniversary
Come dressed for an old-fashioned tea if you like.
Admission: \$5.00 (old-fashioned tea, modern price!)

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145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICES MEETINGS
Salt Spring 250-537-2270
Galiano 250-539-2222
Pender 250-629-3631
Women's Meeting Only
Thursday nights: 5:15 pm
Please call 250-537-1733 or 250-537-2993

160 • BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday

Send a special birthday greeting in the Barnacle
Only **\$19.00** incl. GST
SAVE \$5.13
2-1/2" ad with photo (This is actual size)
Must place order before 4 pm Friday.
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190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

THE BARNACLE is delivered free every Tuesday to every Salt Spring residence and business mailbox ... That's circulation of over 4,650!

Bristol Cutter Hair Co. introduces
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Acrylic • Fibreglass • Silkwrap
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FOR EVENING APPOINTMENTS CALL: 537-2761

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Merle Box's
NEW DESIGNS
Ikebana Containers and Decorative Platters
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SUN. 11-4
537-4525

190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

WE BUY LOGS!
All species. With local delivery point Burgoyne Bay, Salt Spring Island.
Call John at 250-754-1962 or Scott Royal 250-653-9040 for prices & details.
COASTLAND
Wood Industries Ltd.
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CLASSIFIEDS
Bring your classified liner ad into the Barnacle office any Tuesday or Wednesday and we'll run it in our next issue for **1/2 PRICE***
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Does not apply to other classified specials or "Hold the Press" ads
Barnacle
Island Journal
324 Lower Ganges Rd
537-4040

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740 Holiday Accommodation
750 Storage
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810 Motorhomes/Campers/RVs
820 Boats/Marine
830 Aircraft
840 Motorbikes/Scooters
890 Vehicles Wanted

CLASSIFIED LINER RATES:

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"Regular Ads": First 20 words: \$6.25, each additional word 25¢. "Hold the Press": First 20 words \$8.25, each additional word 30¢. "Run Until It Sells": First 20 words \$12.50, each additional word 40¢. No copy changes.
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190 • BUSINESS NOTICES

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 Priced from **\$1.49**

 105 Hereford 537-9917
 Mon.-Sat. 9:30-5:30

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 e-mail: art@saltspring.com

220 • LOST & FOUND

FOUND AT Sundays Snowflakes: Ladies glasses. 537-0032. 2199

FOUND: BROOCH. Call: 537-5044. 2199

230 • TRAVEL

ANCIENT CASTLE retreat in Italy. September 25 to October 2 - Yoga exploration, wine tasting, relaxation. For information call Regency Retreats at 250-538-0003, toll free 1-888-925-6874, online at www.regencyintapts.com, or e-mail regency@europe.com a/otfn

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THE TRAVEL SHOP
537-9911
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 230.aotfn

310 • APPLIANCES

APPLIANCES AVAILABLE at the Home Design Centre. Kitchen Aid, Whirlpool, Maytag, G.E., Sub-Zero and more. Call Dave at Sandpiper Supply, 537-5035. tfn

311 • EQUIPMENT

13 HP KUBOTA DIESEL B6100E tractor with front-end loader, tines and counter-weight. Perfect for hobby farm. Great condition. \$8,500 obo. 537-9446. 2299

313 • FIREWOOD

FIREWOOD. CUT, split and delivered. Please call Walter Rumsby 653-4877. tfn

315 • FREE / RECYCLABLES

FREE: SOFABED, brown & beige striped. You pick up. 537-8854. 2199

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RECYCLE YOUR OLD GLASSES
 Your old prescription lenses can be a gift of sight. Boxes are located at:
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 ✓ Bank of Montreal
 ✓ Bank of Commerce
 ✓ Island Savings Credit Union
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 315.tfn

320 • GARAGE SALES

LIONS GARAGE Sale, 103 Bonnet Avenue. Every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Come and browse, we just may have it. New merchandise arriving daily. Good, clean merchandise wanted. Call 537-2000 for pick-up or info. tfn

Barnacle
Planning a Garage Sale?

Advertise your garage sale in the Barnacle classifieds and reach over 4,650 Salt Spring residences & businesses for only **\$6²⁵** +GST

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 e-mail: barnacle@saltspring.com



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325 • MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

120 BASE HORNER Verdi 3 accordion in case. \$500 firm. Phone 537-5547. 2699

330 • PETS

\$5.00 TOENAIL TUESDAYS, professional dog grooming and pet supplies. Call Andrea at Bow Wow & Co., 537-4676, Upper Ganges Centre. tfn

385 • WANTED

WANTED: LAMBS, 11 - 13 weeks old. 537-2226. 2199

390 • MISCELLANEOUS

THE BARNACLE is continuing to deliver free every Tuesday to every Salt Spring residence and business mailbox ... Drop us a line and tell us how we're doing! Drop off or mail to 324 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2V3, or drop off to the "Barnacle Basket" at KIS Office Services.

UNIQUE & UNUSUAL outdoor lighting fixtures. Thousands to choose from! Find out how you can get more enjoyment from your garden and landscape at night. Call Gulf Islands Landscape Lighting. Jim Watkins. 537-1184 (pager 537-8069) e-mail: jim.watkins@saltspring.com 2199

130 "MONIER" CONCRETE ridge tiles, \$100. Radio Shack remote control car, as new, \$35. 537-4178. 2499

HORSE TRAILER, older double, tack compartment, good floor, electric brakes, rubber mats, removable divider. \$2000 firm. 537-2282 after 6 p.m. 2599

BIKES-QUALITY household goods, antique highchair/bottles/collectables/chrome coffee maker, Visions bakeware, women's clothes sizes 8-12, girls' sizes 6-7. More! Katannya 538-0053 2799

KLEPPER KAYAK, 2-person; Rockwell table saw, 9-in., 2 HP; Atari 1040-ST computer & monitor; Canon bubble jet printer; VW van roof racks; insulated stovepipe & roof attachments; clarinet. Offers. 537-2116 2799

SALTSPRING SALVAGE. We buy: copper, aluminum, brass, batteries, rods, transmissions, wrought iron and more. We sell: burn barrels, canopies, campers, washers & dryers, fridges & freezers, and much more. 401 Robinson Road, 537-0695. 2199

DRESSER WITH large mirror. Two mobile TV tables. Drafting table. Miscellaneous items. Call 537-9101. 2999

PLEXIGLASS BAKED goods display unit, \$50. Get Fit walking exerciser, \$125. Ten waterproof wrap-around curtains for booths, 20 feet, \$45 each. Coffee table, \$45. 537-9101.

1975 PARKWOOD MOBILE home, 12' x 68', 1 1/2 baths, 2 bedrooms. You move. \$10,000 obo. 537-4425. 2999

ROLLTOP DESK, 5 drawers, 20" w x 48" l x 42" h, simulated dark oak finish. Very sturdy, \$425. 537-5637. Will deliver. 2199

HEATHER SALE - Winter blooming varieties - 12 for \$20. Plant now for colour next winter. The Plant Farm. 177 Vesuvius Bay Road. Open 10 - 5. 2199

OFFICE MACHINE Clinic with Ron. Thursdays, 9:30 to 1:30. Repairs, cleaning, problem solving. At "et cetera" on Hereford, 537-5115. 2/4/tfn

390 • MISCELLANEOUS

Full Selection of **BEDDING PLANTS** and **BASKET STARTERS**
 Including:
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 After 18 years, the Rare Find & Brook's Books are for sale!
 Please call **537-9874**
 Downstairs Mouat's Mall
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RUN 'TIL IT SELLS
 Up to 10 weeks for **\$1250⁺** plus GST
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 Advertiser may call to cancel.
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390 • MISCELLANEOUS

BIG SADDLE SALE
MAY 29 & 30
 11 am - 3 pm
 "The Corral"
 Mt. Maxwell & Wright Rd.
 Also: misc. tack, Sulky & Jack Russell pups!
 (Members of SS Equestrian Club welcome to sell tack for donation to club.)
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 390.2199

RAINBOW LANDSCAPING
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OVER 40 BULK PRODUCTS
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399 • LOONIE

Got something to sell for \$25 or less?
 Buy a **LOONIE AD**
\$100 + GST
 for only
 *Private party ads only. Limit 10 words or less, one item only per ad. Maximum value of item: \$25.00. Ad runs under our Loonie classified heading.
 Drop by: 324 Lower Ganges Road or phone 537-4040.
 399.tfn

400 • HELP WANTED

PEOPLE TO lose unwanted fat, maximize energy level and minimize facial wrinkles. Doctor formulated. Guaranteed. Free sample. 537-1456, call Karina. tfn

DO YOU want the opportunity to cook for the best customers on Salt Spring? Consider working at Kings Lane Recreation (you know ... the bowling alley!) Mostly weekend work at present, but with the potential of full time by September. Call Ruth at 537-2054 or drop off your resume at 154 Kings Lane. 2199

HELP WANTED for Deli Department at G.V.M. Must be neat, tidy and energetic. Experience in food prep an asset, but not necessary. Drop off applications at Deli Department or fax 537-4616. Please mark them Attention: Glynys Smith, Deli Manager. 2299

400 • HELP WANTED

GROW WITH US!
 The Barnacle Island Journal is looking for an advertising sales representative.
 Applicants must possess excellent communication skills and the ability to meet deadlines. High energy is a must and newspaper sales experience an asset.
 Interested parties may mail or drop off resumé and handwritten cover letter to:
Barnacle
 324 Lower Ganges Road
 Salt Spring Island, B.C.
 V8K 2V3

410 • EMPLOYMENT WANTED

MAN WITH full-size pick-up and chainsaw will do hauling, landscaping, raking, lawns, digging, marine, fiberglass, grinding - whatever! Reasonable rates. Clayton, 537-4489, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

ISLAND DISPOSAL. We'll dispose of anything!! Appliances, furniture, lumber, scrap metal, and more! Call 537-2917. 2299

506 • EDUCATION

The Learning Branch School
 A balanced educational program for ages 5-12
 Professional teachers, country setting.
 Opens: September '99
653-9253

509 • CARPENTRY

NEW BUILDINGS, renovations or upgrading. Quality workmanship. References available. Karl Krainer, 537-4899. 2299

511 • DRYWALL

SALT SPRING INTERIORS DRYWALL
 Serving the Gulf Islands since 1974
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL
 • Drywalling with machines
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 • Texture ceilings & walls
 • Vinyl board & steel studding
 • Priming of wallboard
FREE ESTIMATES on renovations & new work
537-2590
 cell: 537-7046
 Brian Little

Classified deadline for the June 1st issue of Barnacle

4 PM FRIDAY MAY 28th
 Phone 537-4040; Fax 537-8829
 e-mail: barnacle@saltspring.com
 324 Lower Ganges Road

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512 • PAINTERS

Interior Painting

Call us for an estimate
537-2732

TOM VOLQUARSEN

537-5188

Wallpapering & Painting

521 • CLEANING SERVICES

Gulf Island WINDOW CLEANERS

Complete Janitor Service

- Rug & Carpet Cleaning
- Steam Extraction
- Carpet Guard

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522 • SEWING

Seams Right SEWING SCHOOL

Ongoing sewing programs for children & adults.

Modern machines provided

Watch for our Summer programs!

Call Kim McIntyre
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530 • ELECTRONIC/REPAIRS

FULL SERVICE Electronic Repair Shop. TVs, VCRs, stereos, marine communications and navigation equipment. Pick-up service available. Downstairs Mout's Mall. Open Monday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call Les or Rudy at Ganges Electronics, 537-8893.

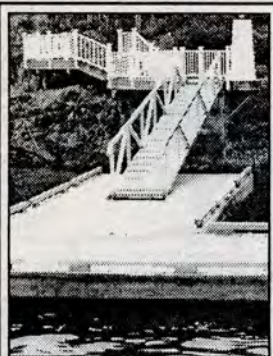
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531 • MARINE

If you require a Marine Survey (large or small vessel) we will be available on Salt Spring once a month. For dates and time appointments please call:

Chris Small
Marine Surveyors Ltd.
N.A.M.B., A.M.S.B.C.
(604) 681-8825



- Pile Driving
- Docks & Ramps
- Moorings

Island Marine Construction SERVICES LTD.

537-9710
Ross Walker

540 • GARBAGE

Salt Spring Garbage Transfer Station

340 Blackburn Rd

OPEN SATURDAYS
10 am - 4 pm

Call **537-2167** for info

550 • MACHINING/WELDING

WELDING, MACHINING. Fabricating, specializing in aluminum and stainless steel. Island Marine Construction, #2 - 156 Alders Ave., behind the ambulance station. 537-9710, fax 537-1725.

551 • AUTOBODY & PAINTING

I.C.B.C. ACCREDITED SHOP

- Expert body & frame work
- Custom painting, glasswork
- Certified body men
- ICBC claims, rust check

Don Irwin COLLISION

115 Desmond Cres., Ganges
537-2513

580 • RENTALS

PARTY TIME RENTALS We rent dishes, glassware, cutlery, linen, tables, chairs, assorted party supplies. 537-4241 days, 537-4577 evenings.

LIONS HART Bradley Hall - Attractive, convenient, wheelchair accessible. Capacity 80 to 120. Phone 537-2000 or 537-9179.

PLANT RENTAL

Weddings, Parties, Office Space ... anywhere you'd like plants.

Rental by the day or by the month.

Island Plant SALES & SERVICE
537-4311
134 Hereford Ave.

Buy a DISPLAY CLASSIFIED this size (2") in the Barnacle for only **\$19.50*** (plus GST)

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581 • MOVING/STORAGE

CASUAL VANNING. 1/2 ton cargo van and driver for hire or barter. Moves, deliveries, errands. Call Waterfall, 537-1419. Let's help each other.

600 • HOUSES FOR SALE

TIDAL WATERFRONT House. 4 bedrooms, south facing, 2200 sq ft in a quiet area. 2 km from Ganges. Orchard, gardens, dock, workshop. \$375,000. Agents welcome. 537-2395.

700 • HOUSES FOR RENT

SUNNY, BRIGHT 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom duplex, \$750/month includes water, sewer and garbage pick-up. Children OK. Available June 1 or 15. 537-4577.

TWO BEDROOM house available June 1st. South end; steps to ocean. \$650. Call 653-4489 evenings.

730 • SHARED ACCOMMODATION

INCREDIBLE VIEWS, large furnished room in vegetarian household. Private entrance. \$300/month. Available now. Call 537-1953.

800 • CARS / TRUCKS

1990 VW VAN. CUSTOM camperized. Auto, good tires, sink, stove, ice box. Water and holding tanks. Port-a-pottie. \$11,500 obo. May be seen at Murakami's. 537-1098.

1978 PORSCHE 924, \$2000 obo. Runs well. Needs paint and upholstery. Phone 537-5718.

DATSUN 210, 1979, NEEDS work, not running. Good engine. View at 1060 Walker's Hook Road. \$300 obo. 537-8041.

1986 NISSAN MULTI mini-van, automatic with overdrive, sunroof, air, cruise, etc. \$4,450. 537-4294

1972 PORSCHE 914 HARD top convertible, red in colour. \$3500 obo. 537-9392.

800 • CARS / TRUCKS

1990 AUDI 90 QUATTRO, 5 cyl., 20 valve, 4-door, luxury sports coupe, full time all-wheel drive, ABS, 2 way sunroof, air, 5-speed, power windows/door locks, AM/FM cassette stereo, brand new Goodyear performance tires, 168,000 km, stunning vehicle. \$10,500. 653-4536

1986 BRONCO II, 4 x 4, V6, 2.9l, good tires, runs well, \$2450. 537-9331.

1989 TOYOTA 4-RUNNER, roll bar. \$9500 firm. 537-9874.

1983 FORD MUSTANG GT, good condition, runs excellent, p/s, p/b, p/w, 4 speed, standard, mags, T-tops, city driven only, well maintained, new exhaust, posi rear end. \$3000 obo. Call Dale, 537-0805.

1997 FORD AEROSTAR van, \$16,000. 537-9101.

1969 FORD CAMPER Special, 104,000 original miles. \$1,400 obo. 537-6024.

1993 ASUNA SUNFIRE, 101,000 kms, Lotus handling, great condition. Priced to sell, \$5,500. 653-4605.

1990 MAZDA MIATA, automatic, very low kms, new tires & battery, garage kept, dealer maintained, mint condition. \$10,900. 653-9561.

1984 NISSAN PICK-UP with canopy. Some rust, runs well. \$1,200 obo. Call Chip 537-0872.

1979 HONDA CIVIC, standard, runs well, great island car, gold, \$750. 653-9868.

Budget

Dealer #8310A
2440 BEVAN AVE.

LIQUIDATION SALE!

98 CAVALIER \$13,900
2 dr, auto, a/c, 23k

97 ASTRO VAN AWD \$19,900
Loaded, 7-pass.

91 BUICK REGAL \$8,900
4 dr, loaded, white

94 ASTRO VAN \$12,900
Loaded, 7-pass, white

97 GEO 2-DR \$8,900
Auto, blue

"Call Us Today"
655-2600

Budget

GANGES AUTO MARINE
537-9221

Licensed Mechanics

- Brakes • Mufflers • Suspension
- On-board computer diagnostics
- Custom exhaust fabrication
- Wheel alignment & balancing
- Government test facility

THE SPECIALIST

290 Park Drive (below Dagwood's behind car wash)
Open M-F 8-5

810 • MOTORHOMES / CAMPERS / RVs

MOTORHOME 20' SELF- contained. Low mileage, good condition. \$7,000 or near offer. 653-4655.

How to write an effective ad

•Begin your ad by identifying the item you are selling by its most commonly known name

•Describe the item by listing its best features: condition, colour, model and other information to help readers determine interest before calling. The more you tell, the faster it sells.

•Avoid unusual abbreviations. Too many abbreviations can confuse the reader.

•Give the price of the item. If you are flexible, include best offer or negotiable.

•Complete your ad with a phone number and the hours in which you will receive the calls.

820 • BOATS / MARINE

14 FOOT ALUMINUM boat, 15 HP Honda 4 cycle, new trailer, \$2,500. Call 537-2785.

Buy a DISPLAY CLASSIFIED this size (1") in the Barnacle for only **\$10.25*** (plus GST)

*Frequency discounts available

840 • MOTORCYCLES / SCOOTERS

1984 YAMAHA VIRAGO \$2,200. 1980 Harley Sportster \$5,200. 1975 Triumph 250 Single \$1,500. 2 Goldwings and more. Offers. Jim 537-2135.

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DEADLINE: Monday 10 am

20 words - \$8.25
Each additional word: 30¢

PLEASE NOTE: Hold the Press classified ads are accepted up until 10 a.m. Mondays at the rate of \$8.25 for 20 words or less and 30¢ for each additional word.

FREE GARDEN space. Please call The Barnacle at 537-4040

Answer to today's puzzle

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ROAD BLOCKS STOP 482

On Saturday night, May 22, local RCMP conducted Counter Attack road blocks to check for drunk driving. A total of 482 cars were stopped at four different locations. The road blocks were in effect between 8 pm and 2 am the following morning.

Ten drivers were given Roadside Screening tests and six of those shown to have a "pass"



**DRINKING DRIVING
COUNTERATTACK**

reading. Four others were given 24-hour driving suspensions and one marijuana seizure was made. One driver was caught without a valid driver's license.

Three constables, two community police action team volunteers and one dispatcher stayed up all night to staff the road blocks.

Sports Pool...with Terry Stringer

Includes games of Saturday, May 22th, 1999

TWISTERS' POOL

Next meeting: Wed., Oct 6, 7:00 pm sharp at TWISTER'S.

		Total Points	Weekly Points	Players Not Golfing
1	Nads	85	10	7
2	Edmonton	76	13	6
3	Montreal	76	11	7
4	Boston	70	3	6
5	San Jose	66	10	2
6	Vancouver	61	2	0
7	Buffalo	58	3	5
8	Ottawa	58	4	1
9	Washington	57	3	1
10	Dallas	49	5	6
11	Islanders	45	5	7
12	Pittsburgh	44	8	3
13	St. Louis	43	0	0
14	Los Angeles	34	0	0
15	Anaheim	34	2	2
16	Philadelphia	20	0	0

GOLF COURSE POOL

Next meeting: Thurs., Oct. 7, 8:00 pm sharp

		Total Points	Weekly Points	Players Not Golfing
1	Ottawa	87	9	4
2	Greenwoods	86	16	6
3	ANC	84	6	6
4	Edmonton	72	16	6
5	Nads	68	4	5
6	Toronto	63	3	0
7	Los Angeles	63	3	0
8	San Jose	57	5	6
9	Dallas	55	1	0
10	Rangers	50	7	1
11	Buffalo	49	1	3
12	Ice Dogs	46	0	1

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Current Week's Schedule**

Tues. May 25, 1999
6:00 p.m. Talk Around the Rock
8:00 p.m. Satsang with GangaJi

Sun. May 30, 1999
6:00 p.m. Talk Around the Rock
8:00 p.m. Satsang with GangaJi

**No programming during
weekdays May 31 - June 4.**

Sun. May 30, 1999
6:00 p.m. Talk Around the Rock
8:00 p.m. Satsang with GangaJi

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YOUTH SOCCER

Registration: There will be registration happening for the 1999-2000 season on May 29 at Portlock. Please bring a picture if your son/daughter is born 1981 to 1989. If your son/daughter is a new player a copy of their birth certificate is required. For further information please call Deb Anglos 537-9870. All Red & Blue Jerseys may be handed in at Portlock office.

Theory 1: August 7 & 8 Portlock Park. This is open to all coaches, parents of soccer, baseball, basketball and other sports. This is very informative. For further information & register please call the Parks & Rec office 537-4448.

Soccer Gear Exchange: Portlock Park (portable) August 14, 9am - 3pm. This is a great opportunity for anyone to sell or purchase cleats, shin pads. We have shorts & socks for sale.

Referee Level 3/4: August 27 & 28 portable at Portlock. Open to all soccer players, parents and team officials. This is sponsored by the soccer association. For further information & registration please call Deb Anglos 537-9870. (Age requirements are 14 & older.)

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