

# The Barnacle sold

The Barnacle has a new owner this week. Almost three years to the day after the newspaper was launched, its ownership has been transferred to Driftwood Publishing Ltd.

The Barnacle Island Journal was started in November 1998 by former Driftwood employees Damaris Rumsby and Jeff Outerbridge. Rumsby left the paper several months later, but Outerbridge remained publisher and owner up until last Wednesday.

The two left the Driftwood following an employment dispute, starting the new paper and launching a wrongful dismissal suit against Driftwood Publishing. The suit was settled out of court earlier this year.

Tony Richards, vice-president of Driftwood Publishing and publisher of the Gulf Islands Driftwood, was pleased with the transaction on Thursday. He said the Barnacle had built a strong presence in the market, to which he credited Outerbridge's perseverance and sales abilities and the paper's total market coverage distribution.

"It's a small market for two independent-owned newspapers. But put them together under one owner and economies of scale might allow both to be successful."

Richards said the Barnacle will continue to be delivered free to every Salt Spring household but its editorial focus will change. There will be no more duplication of content between the Barnacle and the Driftwood, whose primary focus will continue to be local news coverage. The Barnacle will become more feature-oriented.

Richards said those changes will take place over the next few weeks under the guidance of the Driftwood's managing editor, Susan Lundy, who has been appointed Barnacle editor as well.

Former editor Pirjo Raits will join the Driftwood staff as a reporter. Other Barnacle staff members who will become part of the Driftwood team are front office staffer Laura Moore and sales representative Anne Chisholm.

Another former Driftwood staff member is returning to the paper as part of the changes. Robin Richards, the son of owners Tony and Alice Richards, will take up a position in the production department. He has held a similar position for the past year and a half at Trader Publications in New Westminster.

Outerbridge declined to say what he plans to do next but intends to remain on Salt Spring and do something "completely different."



**LEST WE FORGET**—Remembrance Day is Sunday, November 11. Veteran John Matheson, now 84, displays some of the Long Service medals he earned in over 30 years in the armed forces.

Pirjo Raits photo

## Remembrance Day ceremonies

At the 11th hour on the 11th day in the 11th month veterans from around the world celebrate Remembrance Day. They gather every year to honour and remember those comrades who fell in battle.

On Salt Spring Island the Royal Canadian Legion

Branch 92 will be conducting their traditional ceremonies.

The day starts with a pancake breakfast at Meaden Hall from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$5.

From there participants will gather at Canada Post Square for the parade fall-

in. Veterans, Legion members, and the public will then march to the Centennial Park cenotaph for the formal Remembrance Day ceremony.

The Legion will host an afternoon gathering where sandwiches and refreshments will be served.

## Public help needed to complete bus hatches project

by Sundance Topham

A school bus loaded full of children loses control on one of Salt Spring's narrow, winding roads. The driver tries to straighten out the wheel, but because of the poor visibility and slippery conditions he's unable to regain control. The bus flips over and lands on its side, trapping the children

inside.

As they try to escape the older children are able to make it up the eight feet to the escape exits, but the younger children can't get up that high, and try frantically to escape by breaking out the front window, and scrambling through the back of the bus.

This nightmare scenario hasn't happened yet on Salt Spring, and if Erling Jorgensen has his way, it never will.

Jorgensen has been spearheading an effort to have roof-mounted safety hatches installed on all of the school buses in the school district. He started his campaign three years ago, after watching a

documentary on how simple, cost-effective escape hatches could prevent tragedy.

"When I first saw the hatches on television. I thought it was a wonderful idea," said Jorgensen. "I brought it up with the Fire Department, and they gave me the go-ahead to start raising funds."

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## Bus Hatches *cont'd from front*

Jorgensen has been working on the effort diligently over the past three years, and he has just about got hatches for every bus in the district.

"We've done 12 safety hatches already," said Ken Garner, from school district maintenance. "That translates into six buses. It's been wonderful for us. These hatches were considered an extra when the old buses were bought, so we weren't able to get them."

The hatches make it a lot easier for children to escape if the bus is on its side.

"These hatches would help to eliminate the potential of a disaster," said Jorgensen. "And they are relatively cheap."

The hatches cost \$750 each, with no installation cost. That work is done free of charge by Garner at school district maintenance. Jorgensen has been able to raise all of the money so far through donations from service groups on the Island.

"The clubs have been great," said Jorgensen. "They are getting hit up for all kinds of donations all the time, but it hasn't really been a hard sell. They have all helped out, especially the Lions Club."

The project is just about complete, with only three hatches still required.

"We have one more bus on the Island that has to be done," said Garner. "It's a bigger bus and needs two hatches, and there is one bus on Mayne Island that we want to do. It is smaller, so it only needs one hatch."

The only thing holding back the completion of the project is lack of finances, and Jorgensen won't let that stand in his way. "We're going to get the rest of the hatches," said Jorgensen. "We need \$2,200 and we're going to get it even if we have to do it one penny at a time."

The residents of Salt Spring can help to make it a little easier for Jorgensen by dropping off donations for the bus hatches at the Ganges Fire Hall.



**SPOOKS WATCH OUT!**—Hallowe'en brought out all sorts of crusaders. Angelique Silberman takes her costume inspiration from the movie Tomb Raiders. Pirjo Raito photo

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## War games disrupt fisherman

by Judy Harper

Veteran Salt Spring fisherman Lee Morris had an unsettling encounter on October 19 during his return trip down the Juan de Fuca Strait to Victoria.

After six months of fishing off the west coast near Ucluelet, he was bringing his fishing vessel, the *Solander Isle* home by the route Morris has been travelling for the past 20 years. As usual, during the run home, he was monitoring channel 16 (the coastguard channel) on his VHF radio.

He said, "I heard the American Coast Guard saying they were staging gunnery exercises between Sombrio Point and Sher-

ingham Light near Sooke. Just before Sheringham Light, I sighted an American Coast Guard cutter travelling towards me at about 30 knots with what appeared to be a blue light rapidly flashing at me. My first thought was that it was the flash of a camera, but when it got close enough I could see the gun mounted on the boat's bow. The blue light was simulating gunfire. The cutter stopped about 30 feet away from us. There were five guys on board, all dressed in black, some wearing belladallas."

Morris says his heart was thumping, he had no idea what was going on, having had little prior warning of

the exercise. He stepped on deck, hands partially raised in the air and said, "I'm just travelling home." To which they replied, "We're on gunnery exercises; have a nice day."

Underway again, and still monitoring channel 16, Morris heard a conversation between a seine boat skipper and the U.S. Coast Guard. A series of seine boats which were coming through Racerocks Light-house near Victoria and heading to Nitnat near Port Renfrew were asked by the U.S. Coast Guard to head into the freighter lane to proceed on their route, a five mile detour, and a potentially dangerous one be-

cause of freighter traffic. Normally the seiners run up the coast about two miles from shore. Morris says the comment from one of the skippers was, "As a Canadian, can't I travel through Canadian waters?" He was asked again to move to the freighter lane by the Coast Guard.

Morris says there have occasionally been military exercises in specified areas along the route, by both the Canadian and American military, but this was the first time he had experienced the Americans controlling Canadian waters and forcing Canadian fishing boats to detour. To his knowledge, they were controlling approximately a 20 mile area between Sombrio Point and Sheringham Light.

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# Greenwoods launches campaign

by Judy Harper

Greenwoods Gulf Islands Intermediate Care Facility will be launching its yearly fundraising campaign this week. Titled "Home Improvement" to underline the residents' and staff's feelings about the facility, this year's campaign will focus on more new electric beds and further improvements to the therapeutic garden areas.

Greenwoods Administrator Penny Polden says that Capital Health Region funding bought new beds for half of the residents last year, and hopefully this new campaign will finance the other half. Besides being more comfortable, they contribute to staff and resident safety, and because of the bed's easy manoeuvrability, the residents have increased independence and control.

Work on the new sheltered pavilion; and patio at the building's northwest corner is already underway. There will be a wheelchair accessible gardening area and potting table, a new fence, a sheltered area for residents who smoke, new paving stones, and a Donor's Wall which will creatively display the names of all those who have contributed, or will in the future. Extending from this corner, along the dining room windows will be a "View Garden", something for residents to enjoy while taking their meals.

As last year, the clip and mail do-

nation brochures will be in both local newspapers and in Pender's Island Tides. This year they will also be available from specially designed boxes in local banks, doctor's offices, and at both Pharmasave locations.

Last year's successful fundraiser raised money to purchase the new Century bathtub, and to begin work on the first of the four-phase Therapeutic Garden project designed by Deborah LeFrank of LeFrank Landscape Architecture Ltd. in Victoria.

This year, the Vandekerckhove Family Foundation in Victoria, which supports organizations that use volunteers, such as Greenwoods, has offered to match whatever funds the facility manages to raise.

Greenwoods Intermediate Care Facility's hopes for the future include a new 60-bed residence, possibly to be constructed on the now empty 2.8 acre CRD owned site on Blain Road between Greenwoods and Lady Minto Hospital. Based on projected population growth estimates in the Gulf Islands and Saanich Peninsula in the coming years, the facility will need the extra beds to handle the increased population in the seniors' age group.

Greenwoods would then upgrade from an Intermediate to a Multi-level Care Facility, able to handle intense care patients as they age.

Having to move extended care patients to Lady Minto or another hospital is a situation that Penny Polden calls "difficult...it is unreasonable to expect eighty-and ninety-year-olds to move to another environment. This place is home to them."

Greenwoods was built in 1979 for a population base of about 5,000 people on Salt Spring.

"The rooms are small, wheelchair access is limited, and the facility was originally designed for people who were much more able to do for themselves," said Polden. "Also, it is a misconception that people come here only from the immediate area-Salt Spring and the Gulf Islands. They come from all over the mainland and Vancouver Island, usually to be near family. There is a one-year waiting list at present."

"The Government wants to focus on assisted living, a much more independent lifestyle for seniors. But this is not cost effective. Sooner or later many of them will need a more intense care situation," said Polden.

According to Polden, recent meetings between Greenwoods and government representatives have been hopeful.

"They've been making long-term plans-I think they've identified the need in this area. We're still very much on their agenda, possibly for next year."

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Seniors are able to travel free on BC Ferries throughout the year from Monday to Thursday, except on holidays. This year, because Remembrance Day falls on a Sunday, veterans and their contemporaries will be honoured, and be allowed to travel free as passengers.

Extra sailings have been scheduled on

the Swartz Bay to Tsawwassen route on Friday and Monday to assist customers travelling for Remembrance Day ceremonies.

On Friday, November 9 and Saturday, November 10, British Columbia seniors pay regular fare; on Sunday, November 11 and on Monday, November 12, they travel free as passengers, although they still must pay for their vehicles.

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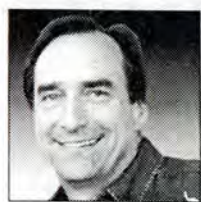
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# People are the real problem, not marauding dogs



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*with John Pottinger*

Ten days ago, young Sarah Davies suffered through a terrifying night when four of

her sheep were attacked by dogs. Two of the sheep died from their injuries. If you've seen first-hand the brutality of nature-when a predator kills its prey-you'll understand how horrific it was for Sarah to see her

animals torn apart and dying.

Last year, John and Cheryl Wiebe's llamas were attacked by a pair of dogs. One of the llamas, Pecos, suffered severe damage to his hindquarters and is unable to walk. So for the past year John and Cheryl have been taking care of him-as you would if you had a friend like Pecos. (Pecos means freckled in Spanish and the Wiebe's Pecos is just that, a white llama covered with little dark patches.) They hand-feed him and clean up after him, and they've been working hard at llama physiotherapy, hoping that one day Pecos will walk again.

Two years ago, Stan and Louise Windsor lost 27 turkeys in one short but deadly dog attack. That's right, 27 turkeys killed in a matter of minutes. These were birds that the Windsors were raising to be sold as fresh turkeys for Christmas. As anyone familiar with farming on this Island knows, farmers work damned hard, every day, and in a good year, they might break even.

I could go on and on, for there are dozens of such examples on Salt Spring in the last few years; some reported, some not.

So, marauding dogs are the problem, right? Wrong. People are the problem. There is a bylaw on Salt Spring that says dogs must be under control at all times. One would assume the purpose of the bylaw is to prevent dog attacks-not to apprehend dogs and destroy them after they've killed.

For any law to be effective there must be two components. First, people need to be aware of the law and the reasons for it. Second, there must be enforcement. Words on paper mean nothing if they aren't backed by the resources and the will to enforce them. (For example, B.C. politicians cite our industrial pollution

laws as the strictest in North America. That may or may not be so, but those laws are completely meaningless because they're seldom, if ever, enforced. When a mill or a factory in B.C. exceeds allowable discharge rates of pollutants, the Ministry of the Environment-or whatever the Liberals call their version-simply gives them a permit to exceed legal levels, sometimes by hundreds of times.) The same principle applies here: the law that stipulates dogs must be under control is not enforced until it's too late. By then the dogs have killed livestock or wildlife, so we kill the dogs.

Enforcement, education, and individual responsibility are the answers. Some people just can't believe that their friendly and cuddly dog could be responsible for such brutal destruction and misery. Others don't seem to care where their dogs wander and what they do.

This is incomprehensible to me when we live on an Island with such a variety of livestock and wildlife-susceptible and vulnerable to attacks by dogs. (Somebody should do a survey of whether the people in this category are the same ones who have no idea where their teenagers are at 2 a.m.)

If we expect our animal control officer to actually succeed at "animal control," we'd better be prepared to support him, including more resources if necessary. We all have responsibility in this: you, me, and the rest of the neighbourhood. If your friend or neighbour has a dog that runs free, you have a responsibility to say something to them about why the control of dogs is so important in a farming community. And if you, dear reader, have a dog that runs free, you need to seriously and immediately adjust your attitude. Because you're not a part of the problem; you are the problem.

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## Firefighters go to NY

by Pat Burkette

Fire Chief Dave Enfield's face takes on a troubled look when he talks about

the World Trade Center disaster. "Ever since this happened, myself and Arjuna have wanted to go. I put

it down to firefighting being a brotherhood. It's a common bond," said Enfield.

That bond is so strong that three New York firefighters were arrested in a November 2nd protest against scaling back workers recovering their fallen comrades in the World Trade Center site. And that bond is so strong that now Enfield, firefighter Arjuna George, and six other members of the Salt Spring Fire Department, including Bruce Patterson, Laurence Spencer, Dale Lundy, Pat Beatty, Lynda Sims, and Rick Kilbourn, will travel to New York City on November 15.

They'll attend funerals for New York City firefighters, as well as a November 18th Memorial Service for 344 firefighters and paramedics killed in the line of duty.

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Sundance Topham photo

## Ferry not ready

The M.V. *Skeena Queen*'s return to service on the Fulford Harbour, Salt Spring Island- Swartz Bay route has been delayed.

In the interim, the M.V. *Bowen Queen* will continue to operate on the ferry route on the regular published schedule of eight sailings per day.

BC Ferries will monitor traffic closely and run extra sailings if necessary, since the vehicle capacity of the *Bowen Queen* is less than that of the *Skeena Queen*.

The *Skeena Queen* was removed from service on October 1, 2001 in order for one engine to be replaced, and three engines to be repaired by Mitsubishi's authorized service agency under warranty.

The vessel was scheduled to return to service with the first sailing on November 2 from Fulford harbour, however, on November 1 a mechanical

problem was found in the rebuilt engine when the ship was undergoing final trials.

The service agency, supported by BC Ferries' staff, has been working to identify the problem. As soon as it is corrected, the *Skeena Queen* will return to service. Until that time, the *Bowen Queen* will operate on the regular schedule.

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## Firefighters *cont'd from p4*

That memorial service will be held at Madison Square Garden, and Enfield expects upwards of 60,000 participants. President George Bush has been invited to speak.

Enfield said "A firefighter is a special breed of person. We are going in while others are going out. It's bringing order out of chaos and getting satisfaction out of doing that." Enfield noted that firefighter training with its emphasis on teamwork, gives firefighters the confidence to do their duty.

Asked if he thought there was anything that could have been done differently to deal with the World Trade Center disaster, Enfield said, "The first plane hit at about a quarter to six, with the tower going down

at seven. They say they got upwards of 25,000 people out. You can't do that without putting yourself in peril.

"It's a calculated risk," Enfield added "It's still the most dangerous profession. More firefighters die in the line of duty than any other profession."

Enfield noted that fire fighting in the U.S. can involve long working hours. A New York fire fighter works a 60 hour week compared to the 42 hour work week here.

Chief Enfield stressed that Salt Spring Fire Department funds will not be used to finance the New York trip.

"We're paying our own way," said Enfield. But Enfield has had to scramble to

get appropriate dress clothing for his personnel.

"Funds from the Chief's clothing allowance will be spent on getting clothes for the volunteers."

Enfield said some of the funds raised by the public for New York firefighters will be saved for fire fighters in future times of need.

Enfield noted "Firefighters are known for their community fund raising."

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# Change is the only constant



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Pirjo Raitis

We all know that the only constant in life we have is change. If you take the "g" out of "change" and replace it with a "c", you get chance.

That really is the way we ought to look at change—a chance. People are generally resistant to change; they like things to remain the way they were. But, thinking positively, change is actually a good thing.

For years, while I lived in the northern part of the province, I used to drive up the hill to my home and wonder if this was it—is that all there was? Was this what I would be doing for the rest of my life? Same thing day after day, same everything. Some people prefer their life to be like that, but I didn't.

Well, life didn't turn out that way for me, I wasn't sentenced to a life of predicability and security, and I'm very happy. Just the fact that I precipitated the changes in my life meant that I was able to open myself up to new experiences, new opportunities, and new adventures. Along with this, though, comes unpredictability and uncertainty.

This latest change in my life did catch me off guard and it was not what I was expecting, but when you live your life with expectations, you usually get disappointed. Disappointment, after all, is just unfulfilled expectation.

I relish the new opportunity that has been presented to me at the *Driftwood*, and I will continue to write about the community and the happenings in it. I welcome your stories and ideas for stories, and you can contact me at the *Driftwood*.

•November 11 is Remembrance Day. The few remaining survivors of the last two great wars will be on hand to raise the flag, and honour those who died doing battle. We may not agree with war and the atrocities committed by those who fight, but these veterans deserve our respect. They were in the prime of their lives and they heeded the call to war. It was likely the one most significant event in their lives. It changed them forever. It took them straight from innocence to the gates of Hell.

So when you observe the ceremonies, remember that these men and women gave selflessly for future generations. They are not remembering war, they are remembering their comrades in arms who fell in battles in far off countries and never came home, while they did.

North Americans now have new enemies and new battles to fight. Instead of 11/11, we now have 09/11 to add to days of remembrance.

The spill-over effect of the war the Americans are waging against Osama bin Laden will affect us more than we can even predict at this point.

It has been over 50 years since the last war and it saddens me to think that nothing has really changed. Wars are still waged globally and innocent civilians are still dying through no fault of their own.

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## Affordable housing issue here to stay

How do we create affordable housing? *The Barnacle's* recent articles on the subject underline what we've been saying for the past year. This is likely the most significant good/bad news story this Island will ever live out.

The good news is that the provincial government established the Island Trust to "preserve and protect" Salt Spring, and has achieved its goal. The bad news is that in doing so, it may be creating one of the most exclusive places to live on the planet, and therefore some of the most expensive real estate.

We are indeed beginning to see the Whistlerfication/gentrification of Salt Spring. The underlying question as to what the future population of the Island should be, who will be living here, and who will be able to afford to live here, is now beginning to tear the community apart.

On one side, additional low income housing units are seen as being essential for the community's economic and social survival. On the other side, additional housing units are seen as an erosion of the population density control established by the Trust, and therefore a development threat to the Island. Who wants more people on Salt Spring? And, as both the population and real estate prices rise, the problem will intensify.

Indeed, under our current system of governance, there is no practical solu-

tion that can or will keep the two sides happy. And, unless the issue is resolved, it would appear this community is doomed.

Unless. Unless a different path is taken. One that takes into account the importance of what our community is now. And, one that will protect the diversity of our community into the future, as much as the Trust has protected the diversity of our environment for future generations. That path is through complete local autonomy. By Islanders choosing their own destiny. By Islanders putting into place a system of governance that looks further into the future than the next election, or for that matter, past the end of their own lives.

If anyone on Salt Spring believes some benevolent provincial/federal bureaucrat is going to make this magically happen they should give their head a shake. Our community will not be preserved by those who do not live here, let alone understand what this community is. Forget Whistler for a moment.

Look down the Washington/Oregon/California coast. Look down the east coast of North America. The population in the lower mainland is set to double in twenty years. In the same time the area from Portland to Seattle will also double in population. How nice will safely moated Salt Spring Island look then to the multitudes living

in the Surreys of Canada and the Pacific North West? Illegal suites, low-cost housing, seasonal cottages? These are all red herring, band-aid solutions for a terminal housing problem. As I've said before, it's time to change Salt Spring's immigration policy from "open to anyone who can afford to move here" to "open to the kind of diversity of community Salt Spring's history is made of." It's time to change our emigration policy from "Hey kids, say goodbye to your Island home now that you've graduated...too bad you can't afford to make your home here" to "We will ensure that the next generation of Salt Spring Islanders can get a starter home here."

I agree with Russ Crouse when he says, "If they can't afford to live here, why will (how can) they stay?" Without a significant change, another year will go by and the housing problem will get worse.

The real question is whether we love this community enough to take the extraordinary measures necessary to save it from the long-range, off-Island, high-pressure systems now set in motion. Or, do we let our way of life slip slowly and silently into the past? We have the power to change our destiny. Do we have the willpower necessary to do so?

ERIC BOOTH  
Sustainable Salt Spring Island Coalition

**COMMENTARY:** This space is reserved for you, our readers. It is a spot for informed opinion, an outlet for the voices of the community. Everyone is invited to submit opinion articles with a maximum of 600 words.

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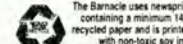
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## Liability issues are blinding common sense

Well, it sounds like a few more of us are beginning to "feel the nail" now that the provincial government has decided to get rid of our bus sheds and possibly, our farm and fruit stands. The reason given? Liability. Liability in this context is defined as "legal responsibility."

So, it appears we are now seeing the combined end-stage results of a couple of centuries of runaway litigation, government over-regulation, and bureaucratic dull-headedness that has all but erased the concept of personal responsibility in favour of the fear of reprisal.

There's a story that goes like this - "The only lawyer in a small town was one day sitting in the local coffee shop trying to figure out how to increase business. He finally came up with the solution. 'Why...what this town needs is another lawyer!'"

I was brought up to believe that if I happened to hit my head on a bus shelter, fruit stand or, for that matter, a road sign, rather than look for someone else to blame, I should give my head a shake and try to remember to be more careful and avoid the impact next time. I would hope there are few among us on the Island who are teaching their children to call their lawyer instead.

Do we want to continue on this litigious path? Where is this leading us? What does litigation/insurance cost society each year in lawsuits and insurance premiums?

I don't know about anyone else, but I think it's time to reverse trends and move towards increasing personal responsibility. However, does anyone think our current governments are going to support such a move this

century? Do you think the federal or provincial judiciary will begin to use common sense, or will it continue to use liability as the yardstick to measure perceived injustices?

Imagine for a moment a place where lawyers are only necessary for major crimes. Where smaller offenses and civil complaints are dealt with through community arbitration panels using common sense to realize solutions. Where instead of monetary fines, community service was the prescription for changing attitudes and behaviour. A place where personal responsibility actually outpaces liability. Where people using bus shelters and fruit stands, or eating farm fresh eggs, do so at their own risk.

Sounds like the kind of place I'd like to live. The kind of place this Island used to be just three score years ago. I think our great grandparents would be ashamed to see the kind of petty, litigious, and plainly stupid system we allow ourselves to be ruled by. Petty bureaucrats enforcing petty laws, whenever their pettiness calls. Living in the fear that someone might be sued.

The world is a dangerous place. As Mr. Morrison pointed out "No one here gets out alive." The less self-responsibility is promoted, the more blame-shifting and buck-passing there will be. Sadly, "It's not my fault" has become a modern mantra.

Isn't it time we told our government guardians to hit the road? Who among us thinks Islanders would make worse decisions than the status quo?

So, while our children begin standing in the rain waiting for a government bus to take them to a gov-

ernment school, I'm curious to see when the next reported outbreak of government stupidity will hit the Island. Whadda ya think? I give it a month... tops.

ERIC BOOTH

## Dogcatcher has fuzzy logic

I don't deny that killing sheep is intolerable, but by printing our dogcatcher's fuzzy logic... "It's a sheep now...next it might be a person..." not only have you smeared with broad strokes the large number of Husky/Malamute owners here on Salt Spring, you at the same time encouraged Wolfgang in his messianic vision of a pure and dogless Salt Spring Island. Where have I see this attitude before....Germany in the late 1930s maybe...

The animal control officer must remember that he is here at our invitation and he is to control dogs....not people.

PETER CALDERHEAD

## Still time to write protest letters

For people who still want to write letters to protest the bombing of Afghanistan, here are some addresses:

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The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
N.W. Washington, DC 20500  
U.S.A.

Prime Minister Jean Chretien  
House of Parliament  
Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0A6

ISABELLE VILM

## Raginsky trying to start a new environmental war

The heart of the Water Bird Watch Collective, Nina Raginsky, has her hawk eyes turned upon new prey this fall after the blue herons abandoned their nesting sites this summer on Salt Spring.

I guess there is nothing better to do now that the herons have fled the sanctuary than to start a new environmental war.

Anything done on public land is of major concern to Raginsky. The main focus now seems to be the banishment of school children's bus shelters from the sides of all the Island's roads.

This new angle comes hot on the heels of trying to have the kids at sailing school abandon their dinghys because they are disturbing Raginsky's pristine wilderness.

But it's a bigger issue than just bus shelters for children who wait in the rain for the buses that carry them to school where hopefully they will learn something about the value of community sharing and the value of this Island's agricultural heritage.

This issue may lead to the disappearance of an environmentally friendly transportation system, the school buses. Many more cars will have to take to our already crowded roads in order to get all the kids to school. It may also lead to the disappearance of all roadside stands that sell locally grown farm produce and cut flowers.

Many people, it seems, will have to abandon old ways of living because of Raginskys complaints. A lot of small farms try to supplement their income by selling at the gate with their fruit stands and signs on public road allowance.

Though the practice is not legal it has been a time-honoured method of selling farm produce since Saltspring was first settled. Rural people have always done this and many families also build shelters for the kids. Now with Raginskys thrust at the heart of our rural way of life, these things will no longer be allowed.

The Department of Highways has never had a complaint of this nature before and so the practice was never a problem. Now that they have the complaint, all will have to go. From the large vegetable stand down to the small table selling cut flowers. Even sandwich boards announcing apples for sale or farm fresh eggs may have to go.

Does this herald the end to the rural flavour our islands have always enjoyed?

## Denouement

*Reason is what you get when you squash two bad ideas together.*

—Richard Cruickshanks

People can still have stands or bus shelters if they are on private property. The problem here is that now many dozens of trees will have to be cut down to make room for the new stands and bus shelters. More trees will have to be cleared from road allowances to make access to the farm stands possible.

Way to go Nina, thanks for bringing this terrible exploitation of public lands to light. All of us in the community will be indebted to you.

We are grateful beyond words. Your selfish attitude has just made the rural farming life a little bit more difficult than it always has been. I'm sure everyone will be happy with your self-indulgent attempt at keeping the Island pristine, and your ignorant meddling with a way of life that is disappearing fast enough without your helping hands and your hawk-like approach to the communities children and farmers. Three cheers for Rage in sky.

TIMOTHY HUME

## Don't take it out on the Island's school children

Nina, shame on you. The fact that you do not get along with your neighbours should not be taken out on the Island's children and elder adults. Through this outrage of yours, you have probably done damage to your Heronage Society all the more. Pity.

Also the Highways Department should never have got mixed up in this outburst. For the last 100 years there have been roadside stands. This is now a private business government, not a socialist one. Surely the representative of highways has better things to do-maybe Gordon Campbell should look into this department and lean it down a bit - eventually every mail box on the Island would have to be moved as they are all closer to the road than the children's shelter.

S.T. COCHRANE

## Thanks for all of your support

My Canadian husband, myself and our two kids (three years and five months old at the time) moved to this beautiful Island seven months ago leaving behind four years of memories and friends in Scotland. Only people who have done it know how much work and stress is involved in a move of this

kind, even if it is undertaken by choice.

We immediately started looking into the "bureaucratic" side of life; medical coverage, driving licences (mine from scratch), landed immigrant documents, Canadian citizenship for my youngest child, Social Insurance Number for me, on and on.

At this point in the confusion my husband lost his job, which left us stranded, was then slandered and is now being sued. Nice ...

Our family is well known on the Island, though not for misbehaving. My husband is about to start teaching at University of British Columbia and was a well-respected employee of a large global company... his references speak for him...

During this nightmare we have met caring and compassionate people who helped us out. I feel they need to be acknowledged for their kindness and friendship, especially in these troubled times. Thank you very much to: Both our families for all their support; Daria and her family and Tom and his family for their unconditional friendship, trust and help.

A special thank you goes to Caroline Burch of the Government Office. She has been a shining light in the darkness of our paper work hell. Every time we walked in her office she would be right there for us and things would get done with amazing efficiency. She made our life a lot easier in these hard times.

DANIELA SIGURGEIRSON

## Thanks for the well written story

Just a quick note to say thank you for a warm Sal Spring welcome while we were moored there during our recent survey of the BC Hydro cables off Galiano and Trincomalli channel. It was a pleasure to stay on the Island and nice to find such a clear and well written article when we arrived home. Gail Neumann is to be commended on her accuracy and writing style. It is rare to not have a story mangled by the press.

We will look forward to our next trip to Salt Spring and another fine evening meal at Moby's!

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# Ex P.O.W. meets Duke of Kent

by Michelle Grant

"You don't break off conversation with royalty," says retired Senior Company Sergeant Major Ron Holcroft, protocol Holcroft learned after the fact.

Holcroft and his wife Nancy recently attended a regimental dinner in Ontario where they had the honour of speaking with His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent. The couple had been introduced to him 10 years earlier on a prior visit of the Duke's to the regiment.

The Duke, or Sir, after you've been initially introduced, was anxious to spend time with World War II veterans during the recent 135th anniversary celebrations of the Ontario-based Lorne Scots Regiment.

"I had a chance to monopolize him," says Holcroft. "He asked a lot of questions about what I did in the war."

Holcroft is a familiar face at Remembrance Day celebrations with his distinctive handlebar moustache and upright military bearing,

barking out commands for the parade.

"The Duke was a charming man," says Nancy Holcroft, who was pleased to have had the opportunity to speak with someone most people would never meet.

Holcroft joined the territorial army in England in 1938, and by the 10th of October 1939, found himself in France.

"I had one leave in March of 1940, then the balloon went up (fighting intensified) and we started making for Dunkirk."

Shortly afterwards, he was captured by the Germans which resulted in Holcroft spending the next five years in a German concentration camp, the same camp eloquently described in Islander John McMahon's book, *Almost a Lifetime*.

"Everything he said was true," says Holcroft. "Every day was like another. You were always hungry."

The Duke of Kent is the Colonel-in-Chief Field Marshall for the Lorne Scots Regiment, the largest Canadian regiment in World War II, according to



Nancy Holcroft and her husband, former P.O.W. Sergeant Major Ron Holcroft, met the Duke of Kent during a Regimental dinner in Ontario.

Michelle Grant photo

Holcroft.

The Duke is also the Grand Master of Great Britain's Freemasons, another organization to which Holcroft belongs.

The Duke spent three days in mid-October, par-

ticipating in the anniversary celebrations.

Among his activities, he inspected and reviewed the troops during the Trooping of the Colours and attended the Regimental Dinner and Ball.

## Island's own Johnny Canuck turns 60

by Ganges Gertie and Freddy Fulford

Our own Johnny Canuck, alias John Wilcox, is about to turn 60 on Friday, November 9. He sure doesn't look it. It must be the great organic food he eats, and the outdoor exercise he gets on his farm.

But where does that man get his energy? He is like the Energizer Bunny; he just keeps on ticking.

He sits on more committees and attends more meetings than anyone I know. The rest of the organic growers on Salt Spring are very happy to let

John cover those issues. They hate meetings.

Here are some little known facts about John. In 1961, John was in the first group of Canadian volunteers to go overseas as the Peace Corps. He spent a year in India helping to improve agricultural methods. His next jobs then included timber cruising, lighthouse keeping, and bee keeping. He spent 15 years in the Coast Guard at Ganges.

In 1989, he drove across Canada in a 1941 Chevy pickup; decorated in the Canada Flag colours, with the license plate NO

DEAL, marshalling opposition to the proposed Free Trade Agreement. His record: four major truck breakdowns, 30 exposures on the media in the first month, and 50 stops, but the Free Trade Agreement was pushed through. He came back wired, but exhausted. He had lost the war.

In 1989, Brian Mulroney hosted a gathering in Victoria to promote the Free Trade Agreement. John was a very vocal heckler. So Brian Mulroney promised him (and two other hecklers) a personal debate upstairs if

they would cease heckling until he finished talking. They agreed.

The debate did happen, but it was short. John was there debating the Prime Minister.

John runs Duck Creek Farm with his wife Lynda and children Samantha, 14, and Emma, 11.

This 14-acre biodynamically certified organic farm is situated on part of the old Mouat farm, which was established in 1890.

What can you call a person who takes 5 months off work to protest Free Trade by driving a 1941 Chevy truck across Canada?

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snapshot. You’d know Cindy the instant you saw her on the street. Because Cindy Jackson looks exactly like—er, Barbie.

And that’s no accident. Cindy paid close to half a million bucks so that she could look just like Barbie. The money went for nose bobs, chin lifts, bum tucks and boob jobs.

“I wanted to be Barbie,” says the chirpy little blonde who used to be Cindy Jackson. “Now I am. I’m just as plastic as she is. And it’s wonderful.”

Silly and vacuous, you think? A pathetic waste of money? Obviously you’re no visionary like Cindy. This gal’s turned her plasticizing experience into a full time job. She’s become a consult-

ant and advisor for other people contemplating plastic surgery. Which is how she met her

Dream Guy. He came through the door as a prospective client. He told her he wanted to transform himself the same way she had. In other words, he wanted to become a Ken Doll.

It was polymerization at

first sight. “Ken” became Cindy’s pet project. “It’s the most exciting thing I’ve done since my own transformation,” she says.

The first thing Cindy did was send her putative Ken clone off for a battery of psychological profiles, just to make sure that he wasn’t, you know, some kind of nut.

Then the real work began. Plastic surgeons were painstakingly evaluated and selected for individual

stages of the coming transformation. But that wasn’t all the research Cindy and her beau did. Hollywood magazines were also consulted extensively.

And now, two years and roughly \$400,000 later, Cindy has the mannequin of her dreams.

“He looks like no one else,” says Cindy. “He looks like bits of other people put on to him. We selected Brad Pitt’s nose because he was

born with the best nose in Hollywood.

“We selected Keannu Reeves’ lips because the mouth structure was similar. The cheekbones came from Tom Cruise.”

Every body part of this walking amalgam comes from some idealized Hollywood model. Well, almost every body part.

Cindy doesn’t mention anything about the brains.

Why is that not surprising?

## BEDDIS WATERWORKS DISTRICT IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS

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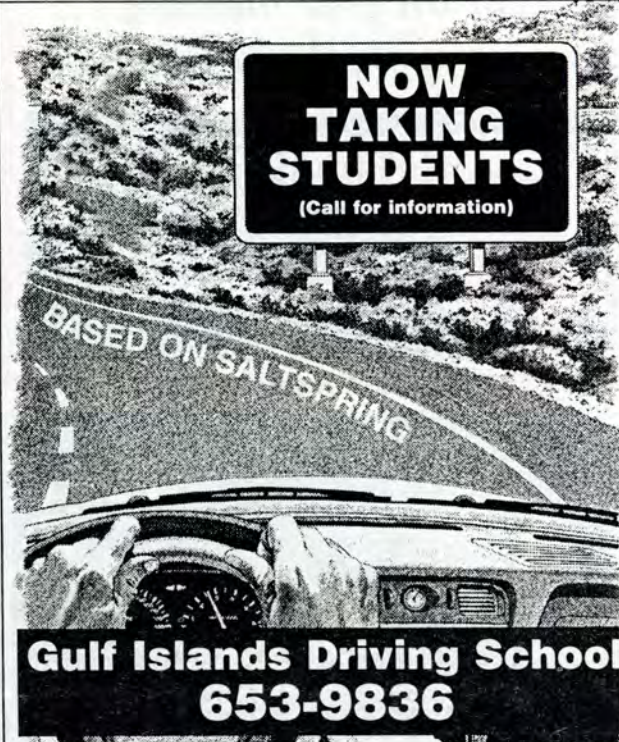
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## Historical Society to celebrate the Island's South End

When the Salt Spring Historical Society holds its last meeting of 2001 on Wednesday, November 14, a panel of old-timers will celebrate the Island's south end.

While most of us think of the Island in terms of north and south, Salt Spring really has several communities.

The south end, for example, encompasses Fulford Harbour, Beaver Point, Isabella Point, and the Fulford-Burgoyne Valley.

Gladys Campbell, Bruce Patterson, Gordon Cudmore, and George Maude will share their knowledge about Fulford Harbour.

Lotus and Gwen Ruckle will represent Beaver Point. Beverley Heald, Kathleen Rathwell, and possibly a member of the Roland family

will cover the Isabella Point area.

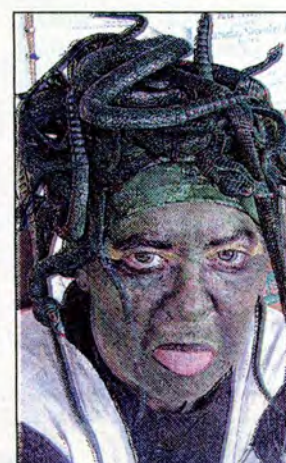
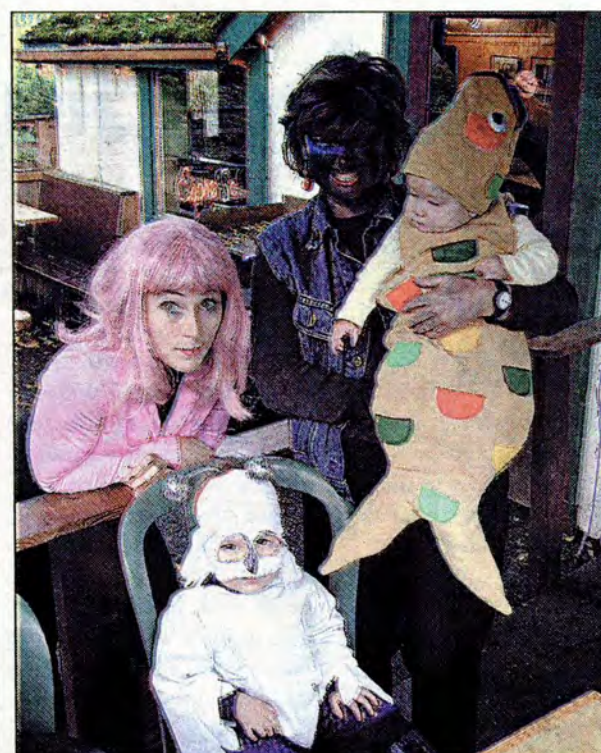
The Fulford-Burgoyne Valley area will not be represented at this meeting, but may be featured in a programme in the new year.

Added to the old-timers' discussion, the November 14 Historical Society meeting has a Remembrance Day aspect.

This year George Maude will talk about the two airplane crashes on Salt Spring in the early years of World War II that resulted in the deaths of several enlisted men on active service.

The meeting at Central Hall begins at 2 p.m.

The purpose of the Salt Spring Historical Society is to stimulate interest in the history of the Island.



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# Graci finds the connection between food and mood

by Pirjo Raitis

He comes bounding into the house, smiling, all vim, vigour, and enthusiasm. Sam Graci, the author of *The Power of Superfoods*, has just published another book—*The Food Connection*.

This book comes after 25 years of treating thousands of patients using diet, exercise, and nutritional supplements as primary treatment modalities.

Graci spent many years doing research and working in the U.S. He came to Salt Spring Island roughly eight years ago for the simpler, quieter lifestyle that the Island offers.

His first book, *The Power of Superfoods* was a national best seller, selling over 68,000 copies. That in itself is no mean feat, with Canada defining a bestseller as 5,000 copies. One hundred per cent of the profits from that book went to feed children in Canada.

His latest, *The Food Connection*, is already on its way to becoming another



Sam Graci has published another runaway bestseller.

Pirjo Raitis photo

runaway bestseller. It's been out for about four weeks and sales have already topped 25,000 copies.

"Every top Canadian physician has said it's a 'must read,'" said Graci.

He explains the book's basic theory.

"Whatever foods we eat for up to four hours directly affects our moods, attitude, enthusiasm, mental agility, zest, and our learning capability," he said.

He believes that our health is controlled by our hormones.

The word hormone is derived from the Greek word hormao, which means "arise to action." A hormone is a biochemical messenger that is a molecular call to action that can work with incredible speed, accuracy, and complexity to communicate information from the brain to "target tissues" anywhere in the body. Any breakdown in the fidelity of your hormonal communication system will have negative consequences on your mental acuity, robust energy, sleeping, immune system,

appearance, and longevity.

He says our bodies are "hard-wired" to operate on a specific food chain. "We're here because we have survived; our ancestors had adaptability. It was often feast or famine and they adapted and survived. We carry their genes today, and today we have to re-adapt."

He believes that we create "hormone havoc" in our bodies because of the food we eat. He believes that all sorts of illnesses, both physical and mental, are caused by improper eating patterns.

He says our natural rhythms have been changed by modern technology. Our sleep patterns have been disturbed by the invention of electricity. We no longer rise at dawn and sleep when it gets dark.

"We don't realize we are tampering with our genetic code. We haven't changed in 100,000 years; only our food supply has changed," said Graci.

The book outlines his theory which is all based on years of extensive research. It explains hormone balance, the power of food, how to be well, and offers a diet plan, menus, and tips for living longer. Graci doesn't believe in diets. He says they are "insane." Instead he outlines a life long eating plan which can add years to your life. He even has good things to say about chocolate and coffee.

Chocolate, he says, contains powerful disease-fighting phytonutrients, as found in grapes and green tea, that protect you from heart disease and cancer. Coffee is not one of those definite no-no's; it can actually be beneficial if taken in moderate doses.

The book is well worth reading and keeping on hand as a reference source. If Graci himself is any example of what he believes, then what he says is worth paying attention to.

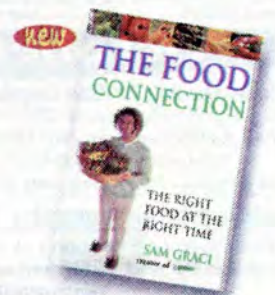


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## Music and Munch

Music and Munch on November 7 turns to Remembrance Day for inspiration. Audience members will be invited into a reflective and thoughtful mood, as poetry, music and song weave together to explore the experiences of war.

The programme will offer memories from World War I and World War II and venture to express some thoughts on the conflicts which engage our lives at the present time.

Readers have been drawn from the Anglican Parish as well as the Island community. Three students from Salt Spring Island Middle School will be offering works of poetry and music of their own composition, while Scott Hylands will be reading the magnificent words of Abraham Lincoln, which were used for the text of *A Lincoln Portrait* by Aaron Copland.

Linked together with music for the organ, the day's events promise to continue the tradition of a very moving observance of Remembrance Day.

Music begins at All Saints' Church at 12:10 p.m. and is free, while the lunch which follows is optional at a cost of \$4.75.

# Pickle boat launched

by Pat Burkette

Salt Spring Island resident Bill Schmidt got up one Sunday morning this fall and said "I'm going to build a boat."

About 10 days later, *Pickle* was launched in Ganges Harbour, although Schmidt says "It's a work in progress."

*Pickle* is more like a gherkin than a Kosher dill.

She's an eight-foot-long combination tunnel/pickle fork boat. Schmidt was a bit short on materials on the Sunday he began construction, causing *Pickle* to be short, too.

"That's how much plywood I had - one sheet" said Schmidt. "Windsor isn't open on Sundays and I wanted to get started."

Schmidt explains the "tunnel" style of boat this way: "Air gets forced underneath it to pick it up off the water." Think catamaran-style hull, built for racing. According to [www.thunderboats.org](http://www.thunderboats.org), the first "picklefork" boats, a variation of three-point hydroplanes, appeared in the 1950s, when they were used for outboard racing.

Schmidt's *Pickle* is a plywood boat with fibreglass coating, complete with small cabin and plexiglass windows. She weighs about 700 pounds, and travels at a top speed of 25 miles per



Bill Schmide built this eight-foot plywood boat in 10 days. The *Pickle* is built in the "tunnel" style from one sheet of plywood.

Pat Burkette photo

hour. Schmidt started testing *Pickle* with a fifteen horsepower outboard motor, broke that, put a 20 horsepower outboard on, and broke that too. *Pickle* cost about \$650 to build, not including the motor.

Schmidt came to Salt Spring from Kamloops. He grew up in Campbell River and found himself missing the ocean while he was living in the interior.

Schmidt said "It was a long walk to the ocean from Kamloops."

Although *Pickle* is the first boat

Schmidt has built, he is enthusiastic about building more. "I'll build others, if people want me to. If people want to build their own, go for it. We'll have races." Schmidt works at Ganges Marina, and people are welcome to come down and talk to him there. "I'm here pretty well every day, except Sundays," said Schmidt.

Schmidt isn't shy about expressing his hopes for his, and *Pickle's*, future either, noting "I'm a single guy looking for a nice girl with an outboard motor."

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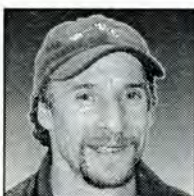


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## November in the garden



Life in the garden ...  
with Joe Clemente

Well, another month bites the dust. October wasn't a bad month at all, and the precipitation that fell probably started to soak in a bit.

I did talk to several gardeners who recorded frost, but most of these areas are in the lower-lying regions of our Island.

My official low for October was 2.3 degrees Celsius, and just over 79 mm of rain fell here on the north end of the Island.

You must remember that temperatures and rainfall can vary throughout Salt Spring Island.

Well, now that November is here, let's think about some of the things you can do out in the garden.

November is the month when bare root trees and hardier type ornamentals can be planted.

There will be good selections of your favourite deciduous trees and shrubs showing up anytime soon.

The joy of living in such a great climate, is that we can plant year round.

Also, you may have noticed all of the beautiful fall colours this year around the Island. Make a list of your favourite ones, and try some in your own garden.

If you haven't brought in any of your most tender plants that are sitting out in pots, you had better.

November is a month where deep freezes have occurred in the past.

Looking back in my records I've observed some severe frosts that would damage your marginal species.

If you have a greenhouse

or garage that doesn't freeze, then I suggest you store your fuschias or geraniums in there.

If you didn't mulch your tender shrubs or perennials last month, then I would do it before time runs out.

As much as we don't like Arctic outflow conditions, we just never know what this month has in store for us.

This is a good time to apply well-rotted manure as a top dressing on your garden beds.

Personally I'm not a cool weather person, and believe me I'm already looking forward to spring. Have a great November.

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## Royal Canadian Legion may give up building

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 92 may have to give up the building it now occupies.

A special committee has been struck to look at where the Legion is going and has come up with some definite recommendations.

This committee believes that it is no longer viable for

Branch #92 to operate in its present building and recommend that the property be sold and that they relocate either to new premises or by purchasing land and building a new, smaller building.

The reasons, say the committee, for looking at this option is that out of their total membership of 750, 87

per cent do not support their Branch.

They say that only a small number of loyal members come out regularly to special events and to the weekly meat draws.

The money made from these events is turned over to the community.

They says that last year

they gave almost \$30,000 to groups on the Island, especially to youth.

The Legion has a special meeting planned for Wednesday, November 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Meaden Hall.

The committee asks members to come out and vote and give your support.



# Wine festival inspires the Wine detective



*Wine Files ...  
with Steve Coopman*

I was daydreaming about conducting an investigation in the cellars of Chateaux Lafite-Rothschild when the phone jarred me out of my reverie.

"There's a wine festival this weekend and you've got to be there."

It was my winophile friend Doug from Campbell River. "They've got me tied up doing tasting seminars the whole night, and I need to get the straight goods on all 100 wines being poured."

One hundred wines in three hours, eh? Well, I've had tougher assignments, but in Campbell River? It had been a while since I'd worn my formal work boots.

The night of the North Island College Foundation 2001 Wine Festival arrived and so did I. The invitation has specified "formal attire." I thought the cummerbund and plaid workshirt struck the right note for the occasion. I checked my axe at the door.

The milling crowd seemed a normal mix of oenophiles, neophytes, and yahoos. A three-piece jazz combo played in one corner of the hall, wine booths dotted the floor, and food tables were liberally scattered about. A quick visual survey told me that some booths were more popular than others. I had to find out why.

The Saturna Island Vineyards and Vigneti Zanatta Vineyards were teamed up and had attracted quite a throng. Shouldering my way, inconspicuously, through the scrum, I thrust my glass under a bottle of Vigneti Zanatta Glenora Fantasia B'rut. A lively champagne, with bright fruit and good depth, not a great finish, but good bubbles, and bubbles are important. I wrote that down. SSS. It had been some time since I visited Saturna Vineyards products and I was impressed by the Inkameep Vineyards Merlot, 1999. Very smooth, well balanced, and great mouth-feel. SSS.

Fading back into the neutral zone between booths, I noticed a passing tray of oysters on the half-shell, and followed, keeping an eye out for a wine to go with an edible bivalve. Glenterra Vineyards is a new vineyard just outside of Cobble Hill, their Pinot Gris 2000 was just the ticket to accompany my mollusk, crisp, fruity, and fresh. SSS. Their Cabernet Franc is a big bold red with lots of body, complex flavours, and enough tannin to make it worthwhile cellaring for three to five years. SSS1/2.

Putting my elbows and steel-toed workboots to good use I insinuated myself into a cluster of winos trying the offerings from Hester Creek Vineyards. The best of the bunch here was the Hester Creek Cabernet/Merlot 1999. This Cab-Sav/Merlot/Cab-Franc blend priced at \$14.95, is a big, bold, beautiful wine, great nose, good mouth-feel, lots of great flavours, great finish. My conclusion: a great deal. SSSS.

My sleuthing bones told me that I was zeroing in on the big find of the night when I came to a smaller, darker booth at the back of the hall. My nose led me to a wine from Italy: Lamberti Merlot/Sangiovese. Soft nose of cherry/berry, quite aromatic, light oak, a beautiful taste blending the soft power of Merlot with the aromatic acidity of Sangiovese. Not a huge wine, but very smooth, and one that will love food. At \$10.95 a great deal. SSSS.

My report to Doug at the end of the night? "Yippee!" What do you expect after 100 wines.

Cheers!

# Sgt. Darbyshire heads for the city

by Pat Burkette

Salt Spring RCMP Sergeant Paul Darbyshire is about to go back to city living. He makes the move to Surrey at the end of the month, after being posted on Salt Spring for three and a half years. Darbyshire spent Halloween night keeping an eye on things in downtown Ganges, and admitted he is going to miss the place.

"People were coming up and saying good-bye," said Darbyshire. "It makes it hard to leave."

Darbyshire hails from Edmonton, Alberta, but came to Salt Spring Island from Maple Ridge.

He's been with the RCMP for 22 years, joining up when he was a year out of high school. Darbyshire's father was also an officer with the RCMP and now Darbyshire's 20-year-old daughter is showing interest in carrying on the family tradition and joining the service, too.

Darbyshire is Salt Spring's RCMP Detachment Commander, in charge of six other officers. In Surrey, he'll be in charge of all police operations for the Newton District, with 40 officers under his wing. But Darbyshire sees some parallels in police work in both locations.

"I'll have the same duties. The skills I picked up in the logging dispute here will be skills I'll be using there. There are moderates and extremists in the large ethnic community there, and part of my job will be to help balance those two interests."

Asked how he felt about director Mort Ransen's por-

trayal of him as "a skilled negotiator" during the Texada Lands dispute, which was the subject of Ransen's film *Ah...the Money, the Money, the Money-The Battle for Salt Spring*, Darbyshire said "It was a whole community effort."

Darbyshire is a trained crisis negotiator, and said his jobs over the years, including supervision of plainclothes personnel, have helped him develop skills.

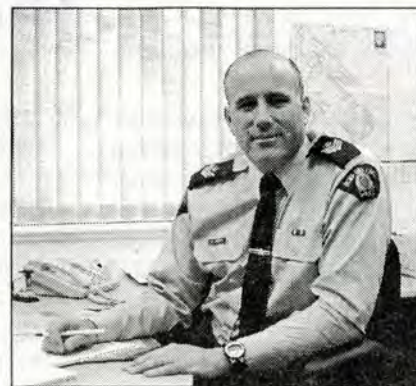
"You have to assess the situation and the surroundings," said Darbyshire. "Stay calm and collected and don't make quick decisions."

Keeping the peace here has meant dealing with the major community concerns of open alcohol use and vandalism in Ganges.

"We have had zero tolerance in Ganges for alcohol and drug abuse."

But there's been more to Darbyshire's time on Salt Spring than keeping the peace. A lifelong interest in community service has kept his calendar full.

Darbyshire chaired the Community Service Society's Board of Directors, worked with the Rotary Club, was involved in scouting, and coached basketball at the Middle School. Community policing initiatives have seen Darbyshire and his detachment working with the Crime Prevention Association, the Community Justice Programme, and the Victim Services Programme.



Sgt. Paul Darbyshire leaves at the end of November. Pat Burkette photo

"The community of Salt Spring is unique. I want to acknowledge their help," Darbyshire noted.

In the long term, Darbyshire may pursue another career when he retires from the RCMP. He's considering community service or possibly the Royal Roads Masters programme in negotiation.

Darbyshire concluded, "I feel comfortable in turning the detachment over to a new person."

That new person has not yet been named, but Corporal Voller will be acting Detachment Commander until Darbyshire's replacement ar-

rives. The Crime Prevention Association is sponsoring a farewell tea for Darbyshire.

Dessert and refreshments will be served from 7 to 11 p.m. on November 10 at Meadon Hall.

Known for his interest in fitness, Darbyshire can run off any dessert calories when he's home for the weekend in Coquitlam.

Darbyshire's family, including wife Terri and two younger children, have been living in Coquitlam since school started in September. During her stay on the Island, Terri Darbyshire was a nurse at Lady Minto Hospital, Co-ordinator for Planned Parenthood, and completed a degree.

Darbyshire's already been exploring some hilly terrain on the mainland, and passing on the Salt Spring spirit while he runs.

"In a small community, you acknowledge people. When I go to Coquitlam on weekends, I say hi to people when I'm running. Some of them look surprised, but they say hi back."

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## Saga of good vs evil



Flick Pick ...  
with Jason Tudor

*Swordfish* stars Hugh Jackman as Stanley Jobson, an ex-hacker forbidden to touch a computer or see his daughter after spending time in prison for breaking into the FBI system. When the mysterious Gabriel Shear (John Travolta) comes along offering big bucks to hack into a hidden government cash stash, Stanley grudgingly agrees. Naturally, things get very complicated. It seems Gabriel is no ordinary criminal. He's a patriot; he hopes to be the sort of anti-terrorist defense that ordinary Americans have no guts for. The question becomes not whether Stanley agrees or disagrees, but whether Gabriel will give him the choice.

Now, the film is really just an action thriller with its fair share of car chases and explosions. What gives *Swordfish* an interesting dimension is its clear antipathy towards any sort of clear examples of good and evil. Stanley is clearly not a bad guy; it's only the love for his daughter that drives him to support Gabriel. Gabriel, in the meanwhile, shares the realist philosophy of Jack Nicholson's "You can't handle the truth" character in *A Few Good Men*. America needs to wise up and get dirty. Terrorists are coming, and all the democracy in the world isn't going to save us.

In *Swordfish*, Gabriel and Stanley argue over whether killing an innocent to save many is justified.

Gee, if this isn't a thought that has been floating around the average American's subconscious lately. Stanley automatically says no, but then doesn't seem so convinced. Concerning the media frenzy over every incident of 'collateral damage', we also are in need of some convincing. There are too many Gabriels, too many easy answers, while maintaining democracy is so difficult. Of course, this film isn't supposed to be socially significant. It's only trying to give itself a little bit of substance against critics who claim it's a dumb summer blockbuster. It just happened to capture the spirit of our time.

## Fascination with found objects leads to creative installation

by Judy Harper

Diorama, sculpture, installation...Rommy Verlaan's work contains elements of all the above and still defies classification.

Rommy herself calls them paintings, but can relate to the resulting confusion when visitors drop by to see them for the first time.

They're not one-dimensional. They don't (usually) hang on the wall. One dictionary's definition of a painting is "a picture or design executed in paint" with no mention of its dimensions or placement in the room. So we'll go with the artist's description, after all, who is better qualified to describe her own work?

You've seen Rommy's paintings at a number of local venues in the past couple of years: at the Alliance of Salt Spring Artists (ASA) Summer Show, Island Credit Union, Mahon Hall, and at Moss & Rain in Fulford. Some of them are tiny; palm sized. There are larger pieces, most of them sitting on a table or other surface, some of them wall mounted.

They're inspired by the forests and mountains of the coast, and always, Rommy says, the ocean.

When she began doing them, 15 years ago, they tended to be small.

Searching for driftwood on the beaches in Victoria, Rommy found instead



Rommy Verlaan stands behind her as-yet unnamed installation piece. The piece will be on exhibit at the ASA show at ArtSpring beginning November 22.

Judy Harper photo

an old man's white beard, or maybe a clown, or a mountain scene, and was finally compelled to bring them home.

She had never had an interest in being an artist. She still doesn't understand what compelled her to paint those first little pieces, or why the process seemed to gradually take over part of her life. Still slightly bemused, she says, "They just kept growing and growing, from palm size to this 'monstrosity' I've got now."

She refers to her latest

piece, which began months ago with a large chunk of driftwood that she saw things in; a mountain and a waterfall. Then, a train track, a railway tunnel, a beach, and the ocean.

She began construction in the spring of this year, first cutting patterns from paper to approximate the tracks, then cutting the plywood base, and building the tracks with layers of plywood, assembling the base, and beginning to collect stones, starfish, and tiny figurines.

The water is sculpted

from Poly Filla, and then painted realistically, as are various parts of the mountain and waterfall. Rocks and sand are glued and painted on, killer whales play in the blue water, seals sun themselves on the beach, and as a final inspiration, Rommy decided to make the tiny train actually run.

The kids will be enthralled. Her own teenaged daughter and friends think Rommy's obsession is pretty "cool."

Originally from Kingston, Ontario, Rommy Verlaan has lived on the coast for 15 years in one place or another. She ran a restaurant in Ocean Falls years ago, where she also sold her own photographs, and constructed small pieces reminiscent of the town and its surroundings, which sold out at an ensuing Ocean Falls reunion.

She left B.C. briefly to go to cooking school in Ontario, and then moved back out to Bella Coola, where she cooked for a living, worked on her pieces, and raised her children.

Four years ago she came to Salt Spring and is still cooking, most recently at the Tree House Cafe in Ganges.

She'll be exhibiting her latest piece (if she can get some help moving it) at the upcoming ASA show at ArtSpring on November 22.

She's hoping it will soon get a permanent home.

As Rommy points out, "I move a lot. And they're getting too big to pack around."

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Mella McLeod, who plays Juliet in *The Matriarchs*, lies over a dying Romeo, played by Olivier Pellerin. The rest of the cast in the rehearsal, from left to right are: Alex Simpson, Mily McDougall, Danika Surm, Anne-Sophie Rancourt, and Britt Christianson. The *Matriarchs* will be held at Artspring from November 22 to 24.

Sundance Topham photo

## The Matriarchs promises to be interesting and innovative

by Sundance Topham

The Gulf Island Secondary School Drama Department has a treat for Island theatre lovers this month. They will be performing *The Matriarchs*, a play by Canadian playwright Roy Chellis.

"It's pretty much Macbeth for females," says director Christina Pittmann. "It's in the plot of Macbeth with all of the characters being made up of female characters from classical theatre; such as *Oedipus*, *Medea*, and *Romeo and Juliet*."

Pittman chose the play because it isn't your run-of-the-mill drama piece. "One of the reasons I chose it is because it is very strange," said Pittmann. "And also it's re-

ally hard to find well written plays for women, which this is. More often than not playwrights will write for males."

The play was actually intended to be performed as a one act festival piece, but Pittman decided to run it as a first semester play, in conjunction with a number of other acting scenes.

"Originally we were supposed to be doing a play called *Present Laughter* by Noel Coward," said Pittmann. "But we couldn't get it in time, and instead of taking *The Matriarch* to a festival we decided to do it this month and *Present Laughter* in the spring."

The actors have been rehearsing the play for six weeks now, and are begin-

ning to get comfortable with the piece.

"It's a very challenging play," said Pittmann. "It requires the actors to have split characters, since they have to play two characters at once. Everyone has been giving me everything that they have so far and we're definitely building on it. Now that the memorization is pretty much done the acting part is starting to come through. It's such an interesting process."

Pittmann predicts that the audience will enjoy *The Matriarchs*.

"This art form exists in

the eyes of the audience," said Pittmann. "And I think they will like it a lot."

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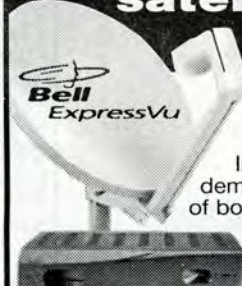
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#### • 110 • DEATHS

MARGARET CATES passed away  
November 1st, 2001. A memorial  
service will be held at Salt Spring  
Baptist Church at 1:00 pm Saturday,  
Nov. 10th.

#### • 120 • IN MEMORIAM

### HAYWARD'S FUNERAL SERVICE GANGES



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Funeral Director

320 - #2 Upper Ganges Rd  
Salt Spring Island  
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#### • 140 • COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY CALENDAR on line!  
For a complete calendar of coming  
events check out the Barnacle  
Community Calendar in this issue or  
visit our website at  
[DailyBarnacle.com](http://DailyBarnacle.com).

CALL FOR Entries for ASA Juried  
show Nov 22-Dec 2 at ArtSpring  
Gallery. Deadline Nov 15. Entry forms  
in ASA box at SaltSpring Books. Phone  
653-2018 for more information.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR listings  
are free. Display your meeting or  
upcoming event on the Barnacle  
Community Calendar. Drop by our  
office and fill out a calendar form.  
Deadline for the calendar is  
Thursdays at 4:00 pm.

YOU'RE WELCOME to display your  
event posters and meeting notices for  
up to 2 weeks on the Barnacle's  
Community Bulletin Board located in our  
office. Drop off during office hours.

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

SALTSPRING NEWCOMERS  
Group. Join us for dinner, 6pm,  
Wednesday, November 14 at Harbour  
House. RSVP Lorraine 537-8557,  
Rita 538-0101.

ADULT GYMNASTICS! Monday's  
7:45-9:00pm at Fulford Hall. Fun and  
Fitness. No experience required.  
Drop-in or call Claire at 538-0273  
[abhicks@saltspring.com](mailto:abhicks@saltspring.com)

#### • 140 • COMING EVENTS

### VOCAL IMPROVIZATION & COMPASSION BURNOUT WORKSHOP

Presented by  
Bessie Dane Foundation  
& Hospice  
Facilitated by Bisia Belina

Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Admission by donation  
(minimum \$50)

Call 653-4250 for information  
and reservations



Trincomali Chapter #93  
Order of the Eastern Star

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>  
at the  
Masonic Hall  
506 Lower Ganges Road  
10 am to 2 pm

### Salt Spring Concert Band SOLO COMPETITION 2002

An opportunity to perform as  
a soloist with the SSCB!

Winner will also receive a  
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& certificate

Information and application  
forms available from  
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All students of music are  
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GISS Library  
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NOVEMBER 17  
9:00 to 1:00  
United Church  
Hereford Avenue

Plants, knick  
knacks, books,  
stamps,

#### • 140 • COMING EVENTS

### SAVING OUR LAKES THROUGH COMMUNITY ACTION

Join community watershed  
activists from Salt Spring,  
Victoria and Saanich for a  
forum on lake and watershed  
management.  
Learn how to turn concern  
for our water into concerted  
action for our lakes' long-  
term health.

SATURDAY NOV. 24  
1 PM AT G.I.S.S.

For more information:  
SSI Conservancy: 538-0318  
[ssiconservancy@saltspring.com](mailto:ssiconservancy@saltspring.com)

Salt Spring Island Water  
Preservation Society &  
the Salt Spring Island  
Conservancy

### SALT SPRING VOICE OF WOMEN

Afghan Benefit  
Dinner

Friday, Nov. 23 ~ 6pm  
G.I.S.S. Cafeteria  
(Rainbow Rd.)

Tickets \$25

At et cetera, Juliettes Hair  
Studio, Salt Spring Books.

### SCHOOL DISTRICT #64 (Gulf Islands)

A regular meeting of the  
Board of School Trustees  
will be held at the  
Fernwood Elementary  
School

Wednesday, Nov. 14  
at 1:00 pm  
Public Welcome!

Capital Regional District  
FERNWOOD WATER LOCAL  
SERVICES COMMITTEE

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 21  
at 7 pm  
Fernwood School Library  
Salt Spring Island, BC

RESIDENTS OF THE  
FERNWOOD WATER  
LOCAL SERVICES AREA  
ARE WELCOME TO  
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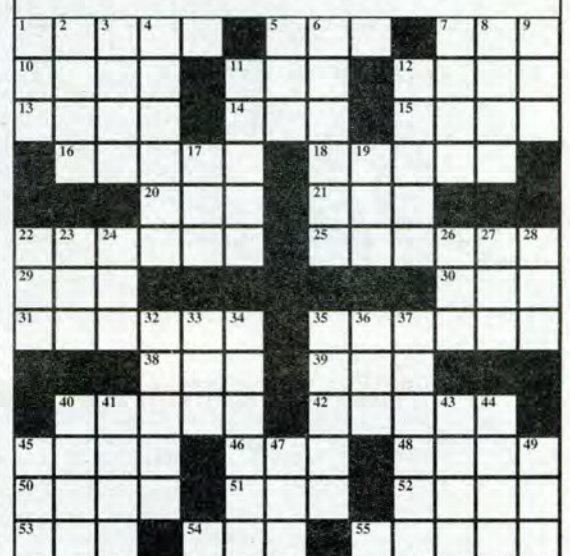
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ACROSS	DOWN
1 Hallowe'en Bozo	1 Labor org.
5 Hallowe'en primate	2 Weaving machine
7 Bon _____	3 Whale
10 History	4 Stoat
11 Cuckoo	5 Picnic pest
12 Youngblood Hawke author	6 Hallowe'en buccaneer
13 _____cola	7 Word denoting one
14 Gib., for one	8 Ins opposite
15 Immersed in	9 Boxing acronym
16 African tribe	11 Korean or Mongolian
18 Certain saxophones	12 Hallowe'en enchantress
20 Historical period	17 Aristotle, familiarly
21 Word with Tic and Toe	19 _____Lejeune
22 Evil spirit	22 Command right
25 Reverberated	23 Rower's requirement
29 _____de Cologne	24 Public conveyance
30 Classic car	26 Globe
31 Not the real thing	27 Lamprey or conger
35 Wager	28 Ms Deer
38 Toilet, on the Thames	32 Hallowe'en extraterres- trial
39 Have, in The Hebrides	33 As well
40 A manner of speaking	34 Hallowe'en automaton
42 Ovens	35 Hallowe'en phantasm
45 Hallowe'en monster	36 Flashy credit rating
46 Arts degs.	37 Came together
48 Aura	40 Nigerian people
50 Israel's Abba _____	41 Dull
51 Harp or human follow- er	43 A kind of weight
52 Lindross, for one	44 Booboo
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## HOROSCOPES

For the week, by  
Michael O'Connor Ph: 1-  
250-352-2936



### Tip of the week:

Currently, the Sun, Mercury and Venus are all in Scorpio. Scorpio is perhaps the most complex sign in the Zodiac. Scorpio is known as the sign capable of stooping to the lowest levels and soaring to the greatest heights. That is why some Astrologers give three totem animals rather than two to Scorpio. These are the 'grey lizard' which the lowest, the 'eagle' which is the most common and the 'white dove' which is the most rare and beautiful of Scorpio's totems. People whose Sun sign is Scorpio are often capable of all three. However, it is important to note that the Sun sign is not the only determining factor. In fact, every person is a composite of all the signs and while some people have their Sun in Scorpio, others who do not may have up to five or six planets in that sign. Popularly known as the sign of sex, Scorpio is also linked to death and rebirth, taxes, banks, espionage and secrecy in general etc. That the United States of America officially signed their declaration of independence on November 15th, 1777 is a fact of which very few people are aware. The celebrated 4th of July Birthday is actually the day when the idea of creating a sovereign nation was announced. So Happy Birthday United States, sincerely and truly.

**Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)**  
An exploration of deeper realms or your own personal depth continues. You want to know and feel what lies beyond appearances. If you are unconsciously afraid of this momentum, you may find yourself clinging more tightly to objects and other people. Fortunately, getting closer to others may well prove to satisfy both your fears and your yearning for depth and connection. Make a deal with friends and lovers to boldly go together where you have not gone before.

**Taurus (Apr 21 - May 20)**  
Deepening the bonds of love and friendship continues. Whether it is joint investments or unions of more intimate kinds, or both, depends on you. In any case, you are reaching to a higher plane. Uncertainty about how to achieve your goals may be the source of some insecurity. Intend to communicate your desires and aspirations as clearly as possible. If you are merging assets and other resources now you are on track.

**Gemini (May 21 - Jun 20)**  
A process of refinement,

purification and elimination continues. As you continue to reach to higher ground, your world is looking new and improved. There is some caution in the air urging you not to take on too much too fast, especially in the financial department. Yet, you feel bold and defiant as though guided by a higher vision that others may not see. Good luck as you stretch to defy reason and the odds.

**Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 21)**  
A plunge into the depths of passion and love beckons. Fortunately, a charismatic defiance of the status quo is rising to assist you. Still, you feel uncertain about your approach. You know that something must give lest you go mad with desire. Enough of limiting beliefs, attitudes and rules! The time has come to make some deliberate moves that spell change. While you do want company to take this leap, it is up to you to take a lead role.

**Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 22)**  
New visions of possibility are being seeded and, in some cases, born at this time. A conflict between wanting to nest and take flight finds you seeking creative solutions. Perhaps a journey to a hot and safe place is an option. Alternatively, some good reading in bed or in a hot bath might do the trick. Familiarity mixed with adventure is the basic theme. However you solve this mystery, stay close to those you love.

**Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)**  
A process of research and self-exploration continues. This may be accompanied by a healing journey. In any case, you are ideally approaching your situation as a teacher rather than an enemy. The need to let go and 'unlearn' certain attitudes, behavior patterns and beliefs is a part of the plan. A more mature, sober and realistic approach is urging you to re-evaluate. A positive attitude born of faith in the process is key.

**Libra (Sep 22 - Oct 22)**  
Merging your assets and resources with others continues. As the demands of the moment dictate, you are led to do the same with others as necessary. As the destined diplomat of the zodiac, you will, of course, make every effort to do this in a congenial and non-offensive manner. The old ways simply do not work very well anymore and there is no one to blame. Evolution is calling for revolution. Prepare the troops as you re-consider your strategy and approach.

**Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 22)**  
A pioneering leap into the

unknown continues. While you are willing to flirt with the possibilities, you want to make sure that your risks are calculated. To do so, some measurable changes close to home are probably required. You are not as confident of the old set up and/or the reliability of other key players as you used to be. A more independent approach therefore feels necessary. Act without judgment or blame and you will be more successful.

**Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)**  
A bold approach to shed light upon some of the deeper reaches of your being continues. You are seeking for insights and confidence that you may feel you somehow lost along the way. Due to this sense of loss and perhaps subtle confusion you are determined to break through and regain your confidence and direction. If this whole process is happening unconsciously, you may simply feel moody and perhaps, short or angry with others. Faith and vision will see you through.

**Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)**  
A revolutionary mood continues. High ideals about what is possible are soaring in your mind. You know that the old methods are no longer effective. Also, the contributions of certain players have come into question. Some form of communication breakdown has set in. You are reluctant to accept that production will continue as usual. While you are probably right, a pushy attitude will cause more problems. Connect with friends who are more responsible and have the resources to do the job right.

**Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 19)**  
A summons to power has been sounded. The time has come to entertain some new perspectives and attitudes. The quality of your service and/or product requires some investigation. New tools are required. To access the needed knowledge and training you are challenged to break through vague thought patterns and approaches. Focus and discipline are the time-proven resources required. Activate and embody your own ideals and you will be on track.

**Pisces (Feb 20 - Mar 20)**  
The desire to expand your horizons is a call to deepen your mind. Research and exploration combined with travel are likely approaches. Merging with others in new cooperative ways is also likely. New relationships are also on the horizon. Some of these may actually be old encounters from the past. In any case, you will feel inclined to keep some of your affairs private. Do your research behind the scenes for now so that your right to privacy is secured. Contact Michael O'Connor for an Astrological Consultation at (250) 352-2936.

## • 145 • COMMUNITY SERVICES

DIAL-A-PRAYER 537-4734. An interfaith recording by the United Church, 111 Hereford Ave, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2T3. The pre-recorded message changes regularly.



## ... your community foundation.

Help enhance the quality of life in your Island community. You can do this by contributing to our / your community endowment fund. Even \$10 will help make a lasting difference. All contributions are pooled and preserved in the endowment fund. The interest earned on it is distributed annually to a wide range of worthy island charitable organizations. These vary from year to year as community priorities change. You can help also by having your purchases at Thrifty's and at GVM credited to the SSI Foundation. Further information, including latest annual report, is freely available upon request, without obligation.

Phone 537-2501  
(Bob Rush)

## • 170 • NOTICES - BUSINESS

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121 McPhillips Ave. 537-9917  
Mon-Sat 9:30-5:30

## • 220 • LOST & FOUND

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FOUND CAMERA outside Embe Bakery. Please claim at Embe Bakery.

CANOE LOST. Help us locate our aluminum coloured canoe lost on Cusheon Lake. Contact 537-1320.

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## • 355 • FURNITURE

COUCH, BEIGE velvet 80"x34" - \$80. Couch, needlepoint, hide-a-bed - \$50. Curtains, pale pink fibre-glass, brown - neg. Phone 653-2072.

## • 370 • MISCELLANEOUS

NEWSPRINT ROLL ends now for sale at The Barnacle Office. 324 Lower Ganges Road. 537-4040.

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## • 390 • WANTED

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## • 400 • BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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## • 420 • WORK WANTED

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## • 440 • HELP WANTED

LIVE-IN CAREGIVER wanted to work in California approx one year. Experience with Alzheimers. Respite negotiable starting November. Call Neddy (Pat) 653-4573.

## SALES REPRESENTATIVE

A full-time sales representative is required immediately, to market the Gulf Islands Driftwood and Barnacle Island Journal newspapers, Islands Real Estate Magazine, the Gulf Islander and Gulf Islands Online. The successful candidate must be based on Salt Spring Island, be reliable, deadline-oriented and have transportation. Background in sales or graphic design a plus. Send resume to Peter McCully, Sales Manager, Gulf Islands Driftwood / Barnacle Island Journal, 328 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C., V8K 2V3, fax (250) 537-2613 or email: sales@gulfislands.net

## SSI Employment Services

Are you unemployed and need help with your job search? Are you thinking about retraining? If you are receiving Employment Insurance Benefits (or have received these benefits within the last 3 years) we have a variety of programs to assist you.

Consult or come to SSI once a week and services are free.

Please call Mary at 1-888-993-2299

## GARAGE SALE DIRECTORY

LOCATION TIME DATE

Mid-Island 103 Bonnet Ave 10am - 12pm Fr., Sa., Nov. 2, 3

Left off Drake, near end, Via Fulford Ganges Road

LIONS GARAGE Sale, 103 Bonnet Avenue. Every Friday and Saturday only, 10 am 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.

North-Island 106 Bradbury Rd 10am-3pm Sa., Nov. 10

Fulford Hall, Fulford

FURNITURE, CLOTHING, miscellaneous household goods, frames, exercise bike (high-end), treasures for kids, lawnmower. Some free stuff too! Indoors - rain or shine

## FREE GARAGE SALE KIT

Advertise your Garage Sale in the Barnacle Classifieds and you will receive a FREE Garage Sale Kit containing:

- \*Garage Sale signs \*Balloons
- \*Price stickers \*Inventory sheets
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**HELP WANTED**



**SALTSPRING ISLAND  
PARK OPERATIONS &  
PROJECTS MANAGER**

Salt Spring Island is located in the southern Gulf Islands of British Columbia. It has a permanent population of approximately 10,000 that is growing at a rate of 4% annually. The anticipated expansion of PARC's infrastructure to serve the needs of a growing community requires an Operations and Projects Manager. The Commission is offering a contract with a flexible work schedule. Terms negotiable.

PARC operates within the Capital Regional District. Its principal function is to manage its infrastructure of parks, trails and playing fields and to partner with community groups who provide program delivery. PARC has a small outdoor swimming pool used seasonally and no indoor facilities.

The Manager must provide strong, effective management of PARC's assets following policy established by the Commission, be accustomed to multitasking and have a variety of skills. The primary requirements are:

- education and experience in financial management
- technological proficiency
- experience in managing human resources, preferably in a union environment
- education and experience in project management
- experience working with Boards of Directors and volunteers

Qualified applicants are invited to submit detailed resumes, including references, quoting competition #01/144 by November 13th to Human Resources Department, Capital Regional District, P.O. Box 1000, Victoria, B.C. V8W 2S6 (546 Yates Street), Fax to (250) 360-3076.

Only those candidates under consideration will be contacted.

• 440 •  
**HELP WANTED**

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ISLAND COMMUNITY  
SERVICES SOCIETY**

A Child Mental Health Counsellor is required on a part-time basis. The position offers counselling to children with significant emotional and behavioural difficulties. The counsellor provides expertise in direct intervention, consultation, case coordination, and outreach services to children and their families. A Masters Degree in Counselling or Social Work is required. A demonstrated working knowledge of related provincial and community support systems is preferred.

Please submit application to:  
Meredith Knox  
Director of Youth Services  
Salt Spring Island Community Services Society  
268 Fulford-Ganges Road  
Salt Spring Island, B.C.  
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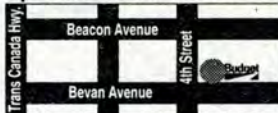
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We are the dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,

Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
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Take up our quarrel with the foe;  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, tho poppies grow  
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Amazing Grace!  
How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch  
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I once was lost, but now am found  
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'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And Grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that Grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come.  
'Tis Grace hath brought me safe thus far  
And Grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me.  
His Word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

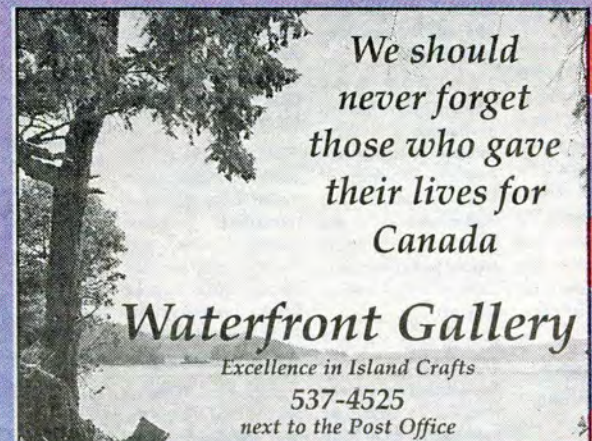
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