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Island voters get chance to approve bus

B.C. Transit operating cost subsidy makes public bus possible

By STACY CARDIGAN SMITH
Driftwood Staff

Provincial funding for a new transit system on Salt Spring means islanders will be asked to give their approval to help support a bus and a new Capital Regional District (CRD) commission to take care of the island's transportation issues.

After rumours and much speculation, the province finally announced last Wednesday Salt Spring will be one of six communities to share in \$266,000 to establish a new transit system.

"Essentially the province will be providing Salt Spring with roughly a 50 per cent operating cost subsidy, about \$100,000 per year," wrote CRD director Gary Holman via e-mail. "I've known about the funding since the February 20, 2007 provincial budget, but it's great to have it publicly announced."

The system accepted by B.C. Transit consists of two small HandyDART-sized buses, one running between Fulford, Ganges and Vesuvius, and the other in and around Ganges.

Holman meets with B.C.

Transit next week to confirm details. He said the system would probably not be up and running until 2008.

Funding "is the result of a feasibility study and application to B.C. Transit I commissioned over two years ago," wrote Holman. "But it wasn't until this year that the province reversed their funding freeze for new systems [so Salt Spring could receive funding]."

Fare box revenues for B.C. Transit operations throughout the province but excluding greater Vancouver cover, on average, between 25 and 30 per cent of ongoing costs. Those numbers were confirmed for Salt Spring "on the basis of data provided for our feasibility study by private operators," Holman wrote.

About 25 per cent of the system's operating costs would in turn be covered by local property taxes. Average household cost would be roughly \$12 annually, he said.

However, B.C. Transit has made a separate request to the federal Public Transit Capital Trust for funding specifically to cover buses, which may further reduce taxpayer costs.

Holman concedes the system is basic and can't serve all islanders, but believes it's

ISLAND BUSES 2



EASTER HUG: Sylvia Nicol has a new friend as she checks out the baby animals and birds at Salt Spring Cheese's annual Easter event held Sunday. See more photos, pages 11 and 36.
Photo by Derrick Lundy

Locally-raised soldier back safe from Afghanistan

By MITCHELL SHERRIN
Driftwood Contributor

Bursting blossoms and trumpeting daffodils on Salt Spring are a long way from a dusty, unpleasant war in Afghanistan.

But an islander recently returned from a tour of duty in that faraway country and his presence reminds us we are linked to a conflict thousands of miles away.

Corporal Ed Pickell grew up on Salt Spring, he graduated from Gulf Islands Secondary School, he volun-

teered with the local Coast Guard Auxiliary and worked at Slegg Lumber and Windsor Plywood before he signed up with the Canadian Armed Forces some five years ago.

"It was time to get off the island," he said.

Now 27, Pickell just finished a five-month tour in Afghanistan and visited family and friends on the island before returning to his base in Edmonton this week.

"It's definitely an experience over there. But coming home is always coming

home."

About 2,300 Canadian soldiers are serving with the 33,000-strong multi-national International Security and Assistance Force (ISAF).

To date, 51 Canadians have been killed since Canada joined the conflict in 2002 (among 554 ISAF casualties).

Six Canadian soldiers were killed on Easter Sunday when their vehicle struck a landmine near Kandahar.

But Pickell said that his troop of tanks serving with in B Squadron of the Lord

Strathcona Horse Regiment faced a relatively quiet winter.

"There is always danger. IEDs, improvised explosive devices, are a threat every time we move. The Taliban ambushing us is a threat. Where we are working is right in their back yard."

However, no one was hurt or injured among his troop of 16 men, he said.

"I heard about [action] but I wasn't there."

Days of warfare were varied for these armoured sol-

diers, he said.

"No day was ever the same as any other. We would go out and do patrols, show our presence and man 'run-ups' to protect our forward bases."

On other days, the crew would conduct routine maintenance, or if they were particularly lucky, enjoy some down time at the main base of Kandahar, where soldiers can even find a Tim Hortons coffee or watch a hockey

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SOLDIER

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game on TV. However, Pickell spent most of his time on the move in his tank.

“In 122 days in theatre, I was outside the wire for 92 of them.”

That meant sleeping wherever the tank would stop for the night.

Average temperatures were 0-14 degrees Celsius, which is similar to the island in winter, but dry and dusty, he said.

His job as a loader aboard the tank means that he is also second in command of the four-man crew, which involves maintaining stores, operating the radio and supervising the gunner and driver.

“I don’t just sit and load shells. Some days I wish that was it.”

Pickell noted that Salt Spring is quite different from the parts of Afghanistan he’d been patrolling in a main battle tank as part of the Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group based near Kandahar.

“How we look around here and see decent buildings; most buildings there are mud huts. They have nothing,” he said. “A lot of the people you see, all they do is farm their whole lives without any knowledge of the outside world.”

Pickell was reluctant to share the full story about the time he spent in a war zone. Asked how he feels about this war, he answered, “This is my job. This is what they pay me for.”

But he wanted to let islanders know that Canadian soldiers are trying to assist people in Afghanistan.

“We’re not just over there to fight, we’re trying to help the Afghan government.”



Ed Pickell in Afghanistan

Provincial reconstruction teams rebuild areas once combat soldiers have completed their missions so people can return to a normal way of life, he said.

And from his point of view, Afghans seemed reserved but welcoming to Canadian soldiers.

“When we are on patrol, we see people waving at us and giving us the thumbs up.”

The rumble of his 55-tonne Leopard C2 tank, the largest military vehicle in

the country, seemed to summon children, he said.

“Kids are kids wherever you go. They hear a big vehicle and they come running out to see you coming.”

He wouldn’t discuss recent news items about Canada’s aging fleet of tanks, even though critics argue the behemoths are now 30 years old, they lack air conditioning critical in the summer months when temperatures in

Afghanistan can reach 65 degrees Celsius and were designed to fight conventional warfare rather than insurgents who blend in with the population.

“We are comfortable in the kit we have,” he said.

Asked why he joined the army, Pickell explained that he knew he wanted to be an armoured crewman from a young age.

“I’ve always been big into 4X4s — and what’s the ultimate 4X4?”

And now the career soldier has dreams of commanding his own tank, which could come true as soon as next year when he will likely return for another tour in Afghanistan.

Pickell is also looking forward to an upcoming wedding with his fiancé (Sara Lee Sawatzky of Edmonton) in August.

“Her dad’s in the air force so she understands that we have to go away.”

On behalf of the Pickells and Ms. Sawatzky, (and the tens of thousands of other parents, husbands, wives, fiancés, children, cousins and friends of Canadians serving in that war-torn country), let’s hope the country finds peace and that these soldiers all return home safely.

ISLAND BUS

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a great starting point.

“You have to start somewhere, and to take advantage of this huge opportunity provided by the province, local taxpayers have to approve their quarter share by referendum.”

A counter-petition vote could possibly be held before summer holidays, but the method of taxpayer approval has not been finalized, Holman said.

It would also establish “a broader transportation service” administered by a new CRD Transportation Commission (TC), which would work with B.C. Transit to oversee the bus system. The commission would also be the entity that builds side-

walks and bike lanes, regulates and purchases parking, and coordinates car and ride-share programs.

Many of these tasks can be funded with Salt Spring’s share of the federal gas tax transfer, but the TC would require some extra public funding to carry out its functions.

This might amount to another \$6 annually per household, estimated Holman, for a total of \$18 per year for both transit and the TC.

The TC will also implement the island’s “transportation management plan,” which is currently being developed.

Establishment bylaws

for the transit and other TC functions are being prepared for CRD approval as soon as possible.

“The timing on this is not the greatest, given the possibility of other referenda on the fire hall and the library,” wrote Holman. “But given the fairly modest costs, a 50 per cent operating subsidy and free buses, I hope voters will agree that this is our best chance to establish such an important community service that we can build on over time.”

Transportation services can expand to networks of walking and cycling trails not only linking communities on the island, but also linking Salt Spring to Van-

couver Island, said Marion Pape, coordinator of the Salt Spring Energy Strategy and alternate CRD director.

“Once we have public transit, so many things become available to us,” Pape said.

Including Salt Spring in the Galloping Goose and Lochside regional trails is one such option. Within town, park and ride programs are another.

Pape added a Transportation Options Fair is being planned for June 16. It will kick off with a critical mass ride and walk through the core, followed by workshops and videos all day long.

Holman will present information and organize public meetings as soon as possible, he said.

Local lands jail sentence for probation breach

A 22-year-old island man spent Easter weekend behind bars after he failed to comply with conditions of a probation order handed down at the Ganges court house in March.

Morgan Howard began a 10-day jail term immediately following his appearance in a Victoria court room on April 2. The sentence came two weeks after

a judge ordered Howard to enroll in an alcohol counselling program, not drive for 12 months and remain in his home between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m.

“Unfortunately, these kinds of breaches are quite common when drugs or alcohol are involved,” said David Sissons, Crown counsel in last week’s case.

A second 30-day conditional sentence will come into effect when Howard is released from the Wilkinson Road Correctional Centre on Thursday afternoon, Sissons said.

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COINED: Bob McGinn of Salt Spring Dollars shows off the new \$50 coin at the Saturday market in Ganges.
Photo by Derrick Lundy

Closer CRD-Trust ties and more trustees considered

By **GAIL SJUBERG**
Driftwood Editor

Salt Spring voters could elect more trustees and see more local government co-operation if conclusions of a governance consultant are adopted by the Islands Trust and provincial government.

Two drafts of the Islands Trust Governance Review were released last week, giving Trust governance task force members lots to chew on Tuesday in a Victoria meeting.

Trust chief administrative officer Linda Adams was pleased with the reports submitted by Kelowna-based Neilson-Welch Consulting Inc.

“I think it’s really given us a good platform to discuss the issues from,” she said.

Consultant Allan Neilson-Welch considered several options for changing local trust committee size and representation of local areas at Trust Council, and coordination of Islands Trust-Capital Regional District activities on Salt Spring.

To address complaints that trustees on larger islands like Salt Spring have too hefty a workload to be effective, the Neilson-Welch report pro-

poses creating larger local trust committees (LTCs), consisting of four local members with the LTC chair from elsewhere as at present. The size could apply to all LTCs or only communities that want more trustees.

Representation at Trust Council would remain the same, with voters electing two trustees to send to council in a double-direct format.

Neilson-Welch rejected an idea to send more trustees from larger islands to the Trust-wide council, noting it would destroy the federation purpose of the council as emphasized in the Islands Trust Act.

On coordination between the Salt Spring LTC and the CRD, Neilson-Welch suggests a formal sharing of office resources; creating a LTC-CRD joint committee for discussion purposes only; or creating an advisory commission under the CRD. Such a commission would consist of the CRD director, trustees and members from key improvement districts and the Ministry of Transportation.

It would have no decision-making authority over various governing bodies.

Info still wanted on fire training ground

Salt Spring trustees repeated a request for more details about the environmental impact of a fire training facility the fire department wants to construct behind the Fulford fire hall.

“I found the environmental information was woefully inadequate in addressing the questions I want answered,” said trustee Peter Lamb at last Thursday’s local trust committee meeting.

Detailed information regarding chemicals used on the site, fluid runoff and impacts on neighbouring properties must be included in the fire district’s report before further consideration is given to the plan, says the Trust.

But an Advisory Agriculture Committee recommendation last month to reject the fire district’s application does not mean trustees will vote down the plan, said trustee George Ehring.

“We’ve got to look at the broader picture,” Ehring said. “I’d like more infor-

mation so they can improve their practices and that ought to be the bottom line.”

The trustees’ request to collect more information went against a staff recommendation to forward the application to the province’s Agricultural Land Commission, which would then provide its opinion on the matter.

Not only would the \$400,000 training centre permit Salt Spring’s 50 volunteer firefighters to conduct training on the island, technological advances make a new facility more environmentally friendly, according to Mike Schubart, the fire district’s newly appointed chair.

“The department has used the site for 25 years and, until very recently, nobody has ever complained,” Schubart said.

“In general we’ve been called to a higher standard for the preservation of life and this is in the best interests of the island.”

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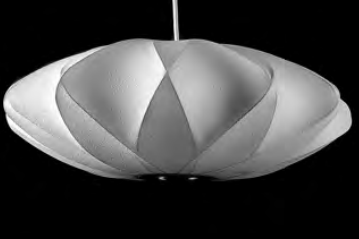


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Islanders bite into Isabella proposal

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

More than 50 people crammed into the Unitarian church annex at Fulford Hall last Thursday evening to hear developers pitch their latest plan for the Fulford Valley.

“We’ve come over here in good conscience knowing that we aren’t trying to pull a fast one,” said Mark Wyatt, Three Point Properties’ Fulford Farms project coordinator.

“I respect there are people who would like to see us leave, but that just isn’t going to happen. Short of saying we are going to pack up and go away, which is not a viable option for us as a company at this point in time, we’ve done all we can do.”

In what proved a twist from the company’s year-long consultation process with Salt Spring residents over how to develop a seven-hectare (17-acre) property located between Isabella Point and Musgrave Roads, most audience members applauded the revised plan.

“It was a very positive meeting,” said Ken Lee, president of the South Salt

“We’ve got to rebuild agriculture on this island and this is a good start.”
— **John Wilcox**

Spring Island Property Owners and Residents Association (SSPORA) and organizer of last week’s event. “I’ve already received calls from people who have changed their minds.”

John Wilcox, a Salt Spring-based organic farming and local food advocate, said Three Points’ community farmland proposal is an opportunity to address growing public concern over island residents’ dependence on imported food in a time of rising oil prices and climate change.

“We have got to do this, it’s just a matter of how we do it,” he said. “We’ve got to rebuild agriculture on this island and this is a good start.”

What began as a plan to construct 17 “signature properties” on Isabella Point Road in exchange for the

dedication of 36 hectares (90 acres) of community farmland in the Fulford Valley has undergone significant alteration after extensive community input.

Three Point Properties’ “latest and last” proposal calls for three homes on the Isabella Point Road property in exchange for just under 26 hectares (65 acres) of farmland.

“This is about as good a deal as any developer is willing to make,” Wyatt told the crowd.

The company is “donating” the land as part of its amenity zoning application requesting one additional density for the Isabella Point Road property.

Three Point Properties intends to sell a farmland property located immediately north of the 65-acre parcel.

Construction of two waterfront homes along Fulford Harbour requires realigning a stretch of Isabella Point Road, deemed a heritage road, south of its intersection with Musgrave Road.

In March, members of the Isabella Point Residents Association voted against Three Points’ proposal based

on concerns the project would ruin the area’s rural landscape and destroy the “heritage character” of Isabella Point Road.

Participants were concerned about the community’s ability to manage the farmland property if the Islands Trust approved the application.

“Having the land is one thing, finding people to farm it without losing money is a separate matter,” said one audience member.

Approval of any proposal would first require a detailed plan governing how the farmland could be used, said local trustee George Ehrling.

A formal public hearing would be scheduled before any final decision is made, Ehrling added.

“We don’t know how that land would be administered,” he said. “Some other entity needs to manage that, but I can tell you I won’t be in favour of this unless there are specific conditions outlining how that land can be used.”

The application is set to appear before trustees at their next local trust committee meeting at ArtSpring on May 3 at 1 p.m.

Increased security on ferries leaves unanswered questions

By STACY CARDIGAN SMITH
Driftwood Staff

Although B.C. Ferries announced it will increase security at terminals and on ferries, specifics will not be known for quite some time.

Security has been top of mind for everyone since 9/11 and the more recent London subway bombings, said B.C. Ferries’ director of media relations Deborah Marshall.

As a result, B.C. Ferries has started to make some long-term investments to improve safety at terminals and on ships.

For example, about a year ago B.C. Ferries started requiring all employees to wear ID badges, not only for the safety of passengers, but also for the safety of fellow employees.

New Transport Canada regulations will call for much tougher regulations for

domestic ferries and ferry operators, Marshall said.

Terminals will have increased fencing, cameras and lighting, she said.

Random screenings will also be required by the new regulations, but specifics will not be known until said regulations are released, said Marshall. She estimated these would be made public in the fall.

Different levels of screening will be in effect at different terminals, Marshall said, but risk assessments will be done before each terminal’s levels are known.

Major terminals such as Tsawwassen, Swartz Bay and Duke Point would have stricter regulations than smaller ones like Fulford Harbour.

Nanaimo has been tagged as the first location for the regulations, which will be in place by 2009.

At some higher-security terminals, passengers may have to show up 40 minutes to an hour before departure time.

B.C. Ferries will look to strike a balance between security and efficient transportation, Marshall said.

“We certainly don’t want to penalize customers.”

She added B.C. Ferries’ president and CEO David Hahn recently said anyone searched randomly would be guaranteed a spot on their ferry.

Vessels will also see increased security measures, Marshall said. Some, like cameras, will be visible to passengers but others will not.

The increased security program will come with a heavy price tag: “We don’t have a definite figure. It will be in the millions,” Marshall said.

Thieves strike schools and store

Local RCMP officers investigated Easter weekend break and enters in Ganges.

Thieves gained access to Gulf Islands Secondary School, Salt Spring Island Middle School and an undisclosed business nearby. An unspecified amount of money was stolen from the business.

In other police news, a Lake Cowichan resident and her two young children sustained

minor injuries after the vehicle they were in skidded out of control Monday morning.

Police arrived on scene at 9 a.m. to find the vehicle in a ditch near the intersection of Lower Ganges and Booth Canal roads.

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Proposed rock bylaw gaining ground

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

Islands Trust representatives hope amendments to controversial soil removal bylaws will promote compromise between contractors and conservation groups. Talks between representatives of neighbourhood groups, the construction industry and Islands Trust in the past six months have resulted in new proposals for managing the removal and deposit of island soil and rock.

The Stewart Road Residents Association initiated the push for increased monitoring in response to an allegedly illegal gravel mine on Sarah Way.

Construction industry representatives hold the view poorly drafted regulations will damage their industry by encouraging off-island suppliers. After in-depth discussions, it appears a consensus is drawing near, said Salt Spring trustee George Ehrling. Implementing a voluntary registration system for projects requiring the removal or deposit of more than 10

cubic metres of soil, and a mandatory permitting process for any job involving more than 100 cubic metres of rock or topsoil and more than 2,000 cubic metres of any other form of aggregate has been agreed to by all parties. “The advantage of this is that it gives the community information about projects that would otherwise never see the light of day,” Ehrling said. The changes favour cooperation and education as opposed to bylaw regulation, according to an Islands Trust staff report.

“So far the majority of contractors have expressed a willingness to talk about best management practices and environmental controls,” Ehrling said. “We’ll have to see what happens. If people don’t comply we’ll have to resort to a heavier penalty system.” Registration, permitting fees and fines have not yet been established, though draft bylaws are expected for the May sitting of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee. A staff report is available at the Islands Trust office at 500 Lower Ganges Road.

Small-town improv team has big-time fun

Less than two days after returning from “a life-altering experience” at the Canada Improv Games in Ottawa, team members from Gulf Islands Secondary were back in ArtSpring practising their routines. “When we arrived it was your classic small-town team in the big city,” said team member Dejan Loyola during a break from Tuesday’s rehearsal. “We had no idea how big this thing was.” Players spent five days attending workshops with some of the “godfathers” of improv and competing against many of the most energetic, creative and humour-

ous squads from across the country. If that wasn’t enough, the local crew even managed to visit some of the capital region’s sights, practise their shtick on Parliament Hill and take a short afternoon trip into Québec. Come showtime, a nervous yet eager group finished second in their division and only two spots away from making it into the final round. “Seventh place isn’t that bad at all when you consider 350 teams were trying to get there,” Loyola said. Positive comments about the team’s

promise and maturity when it comes to long-form improvisation is keeping the members inspired as they prepare for busy spring and summer seasons. “The tournament showed me that I can keep on moving up in the improv world,” Loyola said. “It’s great to know this is an art form that is expanding and moving forward all the time.” He thanked all members of the community whose donations made their “chance of a lifetime” possible. “We are so grateful to everyone,” he said.

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Full Circle



Donalda (Donnie) MacKenzie and Ray Hill

It was the summer of ‘49. Ray & Donnie met at the Artistic Drive-in restaurant in Vancouver where Donnie was a car hop. They went steady that summer and parted in September to take up their teaching positions, Ray at Dawson Creek and Donnie at Lund, B.C. They agreed to reunite at Christmas but that fall, Ray met and became engaged to Beth Quinsey. Donnie says that the worst part of all of that was for three whole days she didn’t know who her date was for New Year’s Eve! Ray and Beth married in 1950.

Donnie met George MacKenzie in May 1950 and they married in 1951. Donnie heard that Beth Hill was a pretty special person so she called Beth and they began a friendship that lasted over 40 years, during which time Donnie and George raised four children and Ray and Beth raised two.

Ray taught Industrial Arts in Dawson Creek, Prince Rupert and Vancouver; Beth was a librarian. In 1959 they bought property on Churchill Rd. and moved to Salt Spring. There was no work locally for Ray so he taught senior woodworking at the Duncan High School. In 1964, Ray taught in Ireland for a year on exchange and then, while Beth studied Prehistoric Archaeology at Cambridge, Ray got his pilot’s license, took up

photography and studied German. When they returned to Salt Spring, Ray built a few houses with Hank Schubart, built the Pender Island School, renovated the Mayne Island School, expanded Robert Bateman’s house and built the Galiano School gymnasium.

In 1986 Beth and Ray sold the Churchill Rd. property and moved to a Victorian heritage home on Avalon Road, Victoria. Beth was struck with a second bout of cancer, so in 1996 they moved back to Salt Spring where Beth died in January 1997.

Ray was now alone and Donnie’s husband, George, had died in 1988. They decided to give life together a whirl and took up residence at ‘Ray’s Place’ on North End Rd., living out a dream of Ray’s. Totally off the grid, the house was powered mainly by solar energy. Ray got the building bug again so they sold the North End Road home and built on Park Drive, where they lived until they decided they simply didn’t want to look after a property anymore.

So, Ray and Donnie took up residence at #503, Heritage Place, where they say the staff and food are great and someone else looks after the buildings and grounds! And, incidentally, Ray looked over the building plans before moving into Heritage Place!



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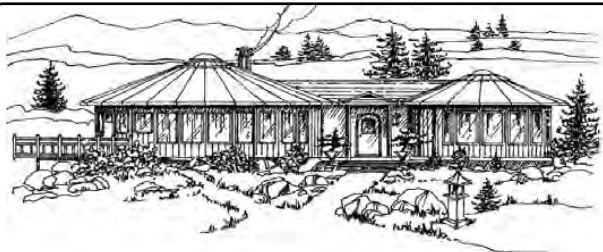


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Salt Spring poultry farm adds input to slaughterhouse story

A March 28 Driftwood story about the effect of new provincial slaughtering regulations did not include the perspective of Island Farmhouse Poultry Ltd., which resulted in some factual errors and its being portrayed in a negative light.

Company owner Lyle Young said he understands that the new B.C. meat inspection laws can make things difficult and more costly for Salt Spring poultry farmers, and as a result Island Farmhouse Poultry goes out of its way to accommodate the needs of Salt Spring Island farmers with respect to scheduling around ferries and organic requirements.

Organic producers are given extra consideration to ensure certification requirements are met, and chickens can usually be processed with a week's notice, contrary to a

quote from one Salt Spring farmer in the story.

“The exception to this is at Thanksgiving and Christmas when Island Farmhouse Poultry is going flat out to ensure island families have island-grown turkeys on their holiday tables,” he said.

As noted on the company's website (www.farmhouse-poultry.ca), chickens cost between \$3.10 and \$3.55 (depending on total numbers) to process, rather than the \$6 quoted.

Young explained he is a fourth-generation farmer and long-time poultry producer, who like others was alarmed at the potential effect of new regulations requiring all farm-produced meat to be slaughtered in provincial government-designated slaughterhouses as of September 2007.

He spent a year and a half lobbying against the changes

as part of the Island Farmers Alliance Meat Inspection Committee, but when the writing was on the wall regarding change, his family decided to step up to the plate and provide needed local slaughtering services.

“We mortgaged our entire farm to be able to ensure small family farms had access to this essential infrastructure and could continue farming poultry on our islands.”

Young continues to try and improve the situation for island poultry farms, working with all levels of government to ensure the poultry industry on the islands does not collapse completely as regulations continue to put the squeeze on agriculture.

Young is clear in his message to farmers, though. Meat inspection requirements are not going to go away, and the farmer is going

to have to come to terms with government inspectors ordering some parts of some birds trimmed or even entire birds condemned if the government inspector feels the meat is not fit for consumption.

Young states that trimming or condemning birds is out of his control:

“It is absolutely up to the government inspector to decide how much of each bird or flock the farmer will get back to sell to his or her customers.”

The Youngs have been proactive in agriculture for over 20 years, being recognized as the BCSPCA Farm of the year in 2002, winning a B.C. Heritage Society Award for Agriculture Advocacy in 2003, and being noted with Producer Awards of Excellence from a number of culinary publications in the past five years.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK? SEE PAGE 22

Trust wins \$15,000 for gardens retrofit

Murakami Gardens retrofitting efforts got a \$15,000 boost through a Community Challenge prize recognizing energy efficiency leadership.

Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee and the City of Vancouver will share the \$30,000 prize offered by the Energy Savings Plan (ESP) to showcase two separate projects.

The 27 units of affordable housing will benefit from use of solar hot water, window upgrades, insulated sheathing, and roof and foundation insulation upgrades to the former fish plant building on Rainbow Road.

According to a press release, entries were judged on demonstration of municipal leadership through policy initiatives and/or municipal building retrofits; effort and creativeness of public outreach utilized to promote the ESP program; and identification of an innovative municipal energy efficiency project.

“ESP is a provincial pilot project aimed at improving the energy efficiency of homes and commercial buildings in B.C. Implemented in partnership by City Green Solutions, Light House Sustainable Building Centre and Homeworks Services, ESP was created to help the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources meet its energy efficiency targets set out in the B.C. Energy Efficiency Plan for Buildings.

“Pilot communities across B.C. were invited to participate in this initiative where community incentive programs were offered to each in exchange for municipal contribution toward energy efficient policy and infrastructure efforts.”

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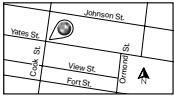
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What People Have Said

“Ganges should become more residential and pedestrian in nature.”

“We should try to reduce the use of cars to the maximum extent possible, hence settlement clusters are good.”

“Settlement should be considered in light of future global warming impacts, namely rising sea levels, which appear unavoidable at this time.”

“I would like to see co-op housing based on green building techniques.”

“We need to look for ways to reduce water consumption. Only the most efficient faucets, toilets, appliances should be allowed /sold/approved on the island.”



Salt Spring Island - Shaping the Future

Official Community Plan Review

In February 2006 the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee initiated a review and update of the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan (OCP). The Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan is an Islands Trust Bylaw that contains objectives and policies to guide the decisions of the Local Trust Committee with regard to community planning and land use issues on the island. This OCP Review will be focussed on specific sections of the community plan and may identify new policy issues. The review process and the adoption of the community plan amendments are scheduled for completion early in 2008. The process and timeline for the Official Community Plan Review is shown below. It sets out the main steps to complete the review and the four planned opportunities for community consultation.

Community Consultation

The Local Trust Committee's objective for successful community consultation is to provide a variety of consultation methods that best suit the preferences of individuals and to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to be heard. Throughout the process community members have participated by attending community meetings, serving on advisory committees and focus groups, speaking to staff members or Trustees, completing a questionnaire or simply writing letters with their thoughts and suggestions.

In its first phase of consultation, the Local Trust Committee hosted two round table meetings to hear opinions about the scope of the review. We posted a survey on our website and made it available to the public. Community groups and the Local Trust Committee's advisory committees were also asked to participate in identifying areas of review. Three public meetings were held, and a number of written submissions were received.

What We've Heard

Islands Trust staff have compiled the community response from all these opportunities for community consultation. In total, we received more than 880 comments from community members. 80 per cent of the respondents who completed our website survey agreed that the community vision and values expressed in the current OCP were still relevant and did not need amendment. The most frequently mentioned areas of concern were:

Clustered housing and reduced automobile dependency	12%	Tourism Planning	4%
Potable water supplies on the island	7%	Protecting the natural environment	3%
Affordable housing needs	6%	Green building initiatives	2%
Planning for Ganges and Fulford Villages	4%		

The percentages shown represent the percentage of all the comments that were received.

Where We Are Now

In response to community input, the Local Trust Committee established six focus groups to consider the primary subject areas of the OCP Review. After advertising in October 2006 for interested participants, the members of the focus groups were selected by the Advisory Planning Commission and appointed by the Trust Committee. The subject areas of the focus groups are:

- Population, Housing and Settlement Patterns
- Economic Sustainability, Jobs and Tourism
- Environment
- Potable Water
- Ganges Village and Ganges Harbour
- Fulford Village

The work of these focus groups will be supplemented by the independent and related work of the Area Farm Plan and the Community Energy Strategy groups. The focus groups are scheduled to develop preliminary recommendations by the end of March.

In April a series of community consultation meetings will be held. These meetings will give the focus groups an opportunity to hear from the community prior to finalizing their recommendations by the end of April.

Next Steps

In May 2007, after receiving and publishing the focus group recommendations, the Local Trust Committee will consider all of the suggested amendments and make preliminary decisions concerning the nature of the amendments the Trust Committee would like Islands Trust planning staff to prepare. In June 2007 the Local Trust Committee is scheduled to give planning staff detailed directions to prepare draft amendments to the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan.

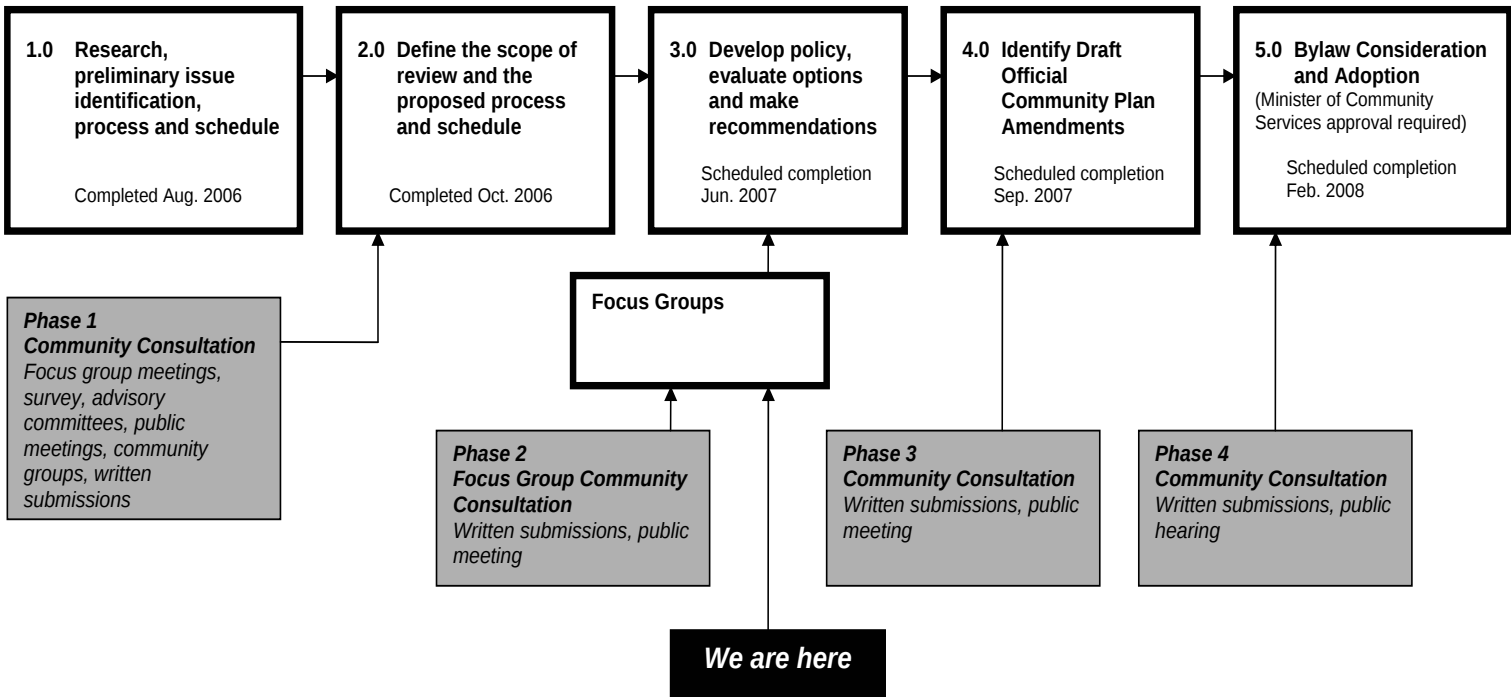
In the fall, the draft amendments are scheduled for completion and the Local Trust Committee will enter into a third consultation process with the community to receive comments on the draft amendments. The final steps of the OCP review process include first reading of a draft bylaw and the fourth phase of community consultation. At this time information meetings and formal public hearings will be held.

How You Can Get Involved

All community members are encouraged to participate in the OCP process, particularly those who have not done so in the past. Please call the Islands Trust office to receive email updates on the OCP review or to let us know how you might like to get involved. We can be reached at:

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Official Community Plan Review 2006 - 2007 Schematic Process Diagram



NOTICE OF FOCUS GROUP OPEN HOUSES

Open house meetings for consultation on the preliminary recommendations of the Official Community Plan Focus groups will be held at the following locations and times.

ArtSpring (100 Jackson Avenue) - Wednesday April 25, 2007 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Fulford Hall (2591 Fulford-Ganges Road) - Monday April 23, 2007 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Copies of the focus group preliminary reports are available for review prior to the scheduled open houses. You are encouraged to visit the Islands Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca / Salt Spring Island / Projects, Bylaw Reviews and Reports / Official Community Plan Review Focus Groups / Reports and Feedback or pick up a copy of the reports at the Islands Trust Salt Spring office.

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: *What do you think about the decision to increase security on B.C. Ferries?*



Luke Woodyard

It might turn into a real hassle. They'll probably have to change all the schedules.



Lindsey Graham

It seems like they're going a bit too far.



Emily Miller

I was born here and have never felt unsafe or in danger on a ferry. They're overdoing it.



Elma Rubright

Well, I think they can check people while we're all sitting in the lineups.



Mardon Nordine

It feels like our freedom is already under attack and now we can't even walk on a ferry.

Letters to the Editor

Insults are injurious

Chris Dixon has a right to his own opinion about Briony Penn's choice of political party, but the title of his letter to editor in the March 21 Driftwood, "Strange bedfellows," as well as the general tone was, to say the least, offensive.

Perhaps he didn't realize what noxious fumes would bubble up from the bowels of our lovely community as a result. But in lowering the literary bar as he did, he gave encouragement to Peter Vincent to step over it and spew out a nasty diatribe of sexual innuendo against Briony in his April 4 column. ("Shooting the moon with Liberals . . .")

It was said to me when I stopped by the Driftwood to complain that he was just writing "tongue in cheek." Yeah, right. A sexual slur is a sexual slur, and there's nothing funny about it. Ask any woman who has ever been abused, and there are more of us out here than most people realize.

Dixon's letter and Vincent's

column are insults, not just to Briony, but to all the women of Salt Spring. This island is a kindly, tolerant place, and there's simply no excuse for such bad manners. These men owe Briony Penn and the women of this island a public apology. And maybe the Driftwood does, too.

So behave yourselves, "boys." If you were working in any respectable business or store, you'd be fired for sexual harassment.

DOROTHY CUTTING,
Price Road

Colourful

In the great debate concerning what to do about the ragamuffins hanging around the downtown core, we mustn't overlook just how colourful and eccentric many of our "regular" Salt Spring citizens are.

If you did a "sweep" through Ganges (or Fulford) at any given time and rounded up 100 of the worst-looking, you'd find you'd scooped up 70 per cent of Salt Spring's most prominent citizens!

ROGER BRUNT,
Salt Spring

Dated view

Re: "Shooting for the moon" by Peter Vincent, April 4 Driftwood.

Dear Peter: I must respond — your profile of the Liberals in Ottawa is dated and your tone is almost misogynistic.

You better believe environmentalism is global vogue and far more. Our young 20- and 30-somethings have had it with our '80s decadence and our 21st-century apathy. Men like Michael Ignatieff, our philosopher-king-almost-leader, are rounding them up, giving life to their hopes for the future. Perhaps our Mighty Penn will even bring him here — he's known as the "Thinking Women's Crumpet," and Salt Spring has plenty of thinking women!

Check out his biography of Isaiah Berlin from whence came his political ideals. You can be sure Briony has.

Cheers, Peter!
ANNE HUMPHRIES,
Haamea Bay

Ineffective

Re: "Salt Spring dares to keep children drug free," April 4 Driftwood and Gulf Islands Online.

As a parent of four great kids, I applaud anyone concerned enough to try to prevent harm to children. Unfortunately, abstention-based programs like DARE have been completely unsuccessful. They are part of the problem rather than a part of the solution to drugs in our schools and communities.

Drug use among school aged children has steadily increased over the last 25 years — the same 25 years that DARE has been around. This inability to have even the slightest impact has caused DARE to lose credibility with parents, educators and law-enforcement officials across North America.

It is time we took this budget-escalating tool out of the RCMP's hands and put trained educators and health care professionals back in charge of education.

MOE BRONDUM,
North Battleford, Sask.

Go Briony go

Like others on the island, I am delighted to see Briony Penn decide to be a candidate in the next federal election.

Her candidacy as a Liberal might even convince me to vote for that party for the first time in decades. Many would have preferred her as a candidate for the NDP or Green Party rather than the Liberal Party. Nevertheless, her choosing to stand for a party with at least some chance of having a sizable number of seats in parliament is understandable.

My suggestion, more a plea really, to Jack Layton and Elizabeth May is this: Please don't run a candidate in this riding. That way we would not split the progressive vote as has happened in the past several elections. We would finally stand a good chance of having this riding represented in Ottawa by someone other than a conservative.

In fact, Layton, Dion and May should agree on a quid pro quo strategy of only one of their parties challenging

the Conservatives in a select variety of ridings across the country. For example, Elizabeth May is running against Peter MacKay. The NDP and Liberals should opt to stay out of that riding to give her a fighting chance of winning. Similarly the Liberals and Greens should let the NDP offer the only candidate in ridings in which the NDP stands the best chance of defeating the Conservative candidate. Apply this approach in a variety of ridings and we could maybe rid ourselves of the Tories and their regressive right-wing agenda.

If this approach is difficult for some parties to swallow, the sweetener could be the understanding that if the Conservatives were defeated, the first order of business in a new parliament would be to begin a process of instating a proportional representation system for the country. Once that is in, all parties can go back to competing for our votes again.

GREG SPENDJIAN,
Beddis Road

MORE LETTERS 10

Canadians just can't do 'same old thing' at election time

By CHRIS DIXON

It feels like my heart is breaking.

I know humanity is capable of wondrous things — like making a violin and then writing a symphony for it. Like building a sailing ship today and tomorrow, a flying machine. Like putting footprints on the moon. I know this.

We're capable of marvelous, fabulous, miraculous achievements. I know this, and maybe that's why my heart is breaking.

Human activity is harming the planet; we know this. Scientists have offered us an ultimatum of sorts — a deadline for enlightenment, and the challenges we face to modify our behaviour are daunting.

In our search for good tools to approach those challenges, many of us find we have become distanced from the inner confidence borne of hands on tools doing work.

Influenced by a lifetime of television and distraction, we have by degree become spectators instead of creators; our work hap-

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pens at desks and counters. Tools are used elsewhere by others and trucks deliver our food.

In the same gradual way that we've disengaged from hands-on work, so have we become distanced from the responsibility of cultivating and maintaining a healthy, functional government.

Our complacency enables — almost guarantees — irresponsible government, but we are still implicated in our government's actions.

We wake up to the puzzling reality of Canadian soldiers trapped in Afghanistan with no job description. Of our country flayed, gutted and sold off to the lowest bidder, trapped in twisted deals like NAFTA and TILMA. That we've lost VIA Rail, BC Hydro, Terasen Gas.

As I consider the long and growing list, I'm struck by a terrifying thought — Stephen Harper

represents me. He has my permission, and so does Gordon Campbell. And I didn't vote for either of them.

Conservative MP Gary Lunn's response to climate change is a scheme to spend tax dollars building nuclear plants to enable oil extraction in Canada's tar sands. So we can sell the oil to Americans. So they can drive SUV's and monster trucks for a few more years. I didn't vote for him either.

If we look back 30 years to the dark days of Mulroney and follow the stories of patronage, scandal and deceit to the present day, we'll find little evidence that our government has the wit nor the will to respond to the issues of climate change and ecological breakdown.

No wonder my heart is breaking! How can we possibly pretend to address an environmental emergency when our best resource is a sloppy government?

We have this stupid contest — the Greens against the NDP, who are against the Liberals, and all of them against the Conservatives. Whoever gets the most votes gets

to act as though they got all the votes.

The Liberals get elected and they screw up. Then the Conservatives get in until they screw up. Maybe the NDP get in and set up some social programs, but the next government moves swiftly to remove all traces and we're back to business as usual. The Green Party — which actually is Green — can hardly get a word in edgewise.

I think we could do better.

Einstein, a clever lad, defined insanity as doing something the same way again and again, while expecting different results.

Our first needs are human needs and we share those primary needs with many other living beings on the planet. Clean air, clean water, nourishing food, stable healthy community and meaningful work are good starting points. A secure and sustainable future depends on them.

The next election will be our first Green election. For the rest of human history, every election must be a Green election.

Imagine going to the polls to

vote for someone you trust, rather than to vote against someone you fear. Imagine voting with your heart and with your conscience, rather than simply following the limitations of party loyalty (remember Einstein). Imagine electing someone who cares for the planet as much as you do.

If we change our vision of good government, the government will change too — to trust the process is to trust ourselves. It will be exciting work, avoiding heartbreak, and we'll need confidence and good tools.

If the way we express our collective will is by voting, then each and every vote should influence the results of an election.

We can ask for — no, demand — proportional representation from every politician we meet, and if they won't commit we can refuse, right in their face, to vote for them, can't we?

Plundering the planet has no future and we know that. Humanity and ecology must be the larger part of the political equation. Next time the signs go up, we can't do the same old thing. We just can't.
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Real debate
Peter Vincent's tabloid-style foolishness about Briony Penn running as a Liberal candidate in the next election starts off the pre-election debate at the lowest possible level.
The Driftwood can do better than that. There's certainly plenty to discuss. How about an actual debate rather than innuendo and bullying hyperbole?
BILL and MAY HENDERSON,
Salt Spring

Enthusiasm
If this could be short, it would be a rose to Brian Smallshaw for his informative March 21 opinion piece regarding Briony Penn's decision to work with the Liberals to represent our riding in the next election.
A rose not just for the article, but for the work he and others have put into helping



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promote a healthier vision for where we could be going through their work with the Green party.
Brian pointed out some things about the Liberal party that I hadn't known before and that it is good to be mindful of. And he makes an excellent case for electoral reform.
But I'm still so happy that Briony decided to run for the Liberal nomination. Sure, the Liberal record is nowhere near a stellar one. But the party is delightfully, maddeningly diverse and within that diversity there is much good that can be built on. Electoral reform. Briony herself wants to work for that. It's important to remember that the Liberals have a legitimate reason for concern about proportional representation — that it could lead to even more divisions within a country that so easily divides itself along regional lines. There is also a need for other reforms; we can thank the Canadian Action Party, also the NDP and the Greens, for their work towards monetary reform, for instance.
The changes we need to bring about are big — what Joanna Macy calls the "Great Turning." It will take many people and groups working to bring different parts of the "puzzle" together.
Before Briony's entry into politics, I knew her mainly for her passionate and delightfully brilliant advocacy for the natural world. Since then, I've learned more about the "in the trenches" work she's done, but also about her respect for the many different ways people work towards legitimate goals, and her appreciation for diversity. She can embrace it within the Liberal party I'm sure, and extend that embrace to the many good things within other parties too.
If she's elected it won't just be our riding that will benefit; people across the country are already inspired by her. The opportunity to work towards her election is something that inspires great enthusiasm, not just for me.
JAN SLAKOV,
Deer Park

Local gov't
As a former PARC Commissioner for six years, I became very familiar with the way local government happened on Salt Spring. I came to believe it is not local, it is not efficient, nor effective.
The local issues of the last year — the pool, the library, the fire hall, the roads/safety, the policing — are all issues that would be more effectively dealt with by a local municipal government, with a council of a cross-section of local citizens.
The Islanders for Self-Government group is holding a public meeting this Sunday, Aril 15, 4 p.m. at the golf club. Our local government will be the topic under discussion. Memberships in our association will be available at the door.
I strongly suggest you be there.
ALIX GRANGER,
Director, Islanders for Self-Government

Organic glue?
The scourge of stickers on fruit has reached new proportions at Thrifty's recently with yellow tape proclaim-

ing "organic" completely surrounding the top quarter of red bell peppers.
We've never been fans of stickers on fruit, and whenever possible buy non-stickered fruit and vegetables. However, we often have no choice, especially for off-season fruits and vegetables. What we find particularly appalling is the placement of stickers on soft fruit and vegetables that are not intended to be peeled. To us, that makes the portion of the fruit that is stickered unusable.
We have discussed this with the produce manager at Thrifty's and were given the standard explanation that it was important for the check-out staff to be able to properly identify the fruit. The manager also informed us that the glue on the tape and stickers is "food safe."
This store-centric attitude is contrary to the needs of the customer, and presumes a lack of any method of identifying items without the offending tape and stickers. Organic fruit and vegetables are sold at a premium and are purchased by consumers who are concerned about ingesting unnatural substances.
In our view, contaminating organic produce with plastic tape and stickers makes the produce no longer organic, and the act of labelling them as organic negates their organic classification. The explanation that the glue on the tape and stickers is food quality seems like a sick joke, as we don't include glue of any kind as part of our diet.
We strongly suggest that Thrifty's, and any other retailer engaging in this practice, find other ways of identifying their produce to check-out staff.
This could include tape on the stems of produce, placing the produce in appropriately identified bags, or presuming that the produce is organic if it is not labelled. Perhaps the other produce should have yellow tape across large parts of the usable portion of the fruit proclaiming "non-organic."
MARK and JANE NAHIRNY,
Salt Spring

Exchange
Today, I went to my favourite bookstore — the Book Exchange at our own recycling centre. It was closed!
And not due to lack of books or magazines but because a "few" people have been leaving garbage, regular items that need to go into the recycling bins (like phone books and catalogues), or boxes and boxes of books and magazines for "someone else" to put away on the shelves. Please, only donate clean books and magazines, and take the time to put them on the proper shelves yourself.
Roses and many, many thanks to the staff at the Salt Spring Recycling Depot. It is not their job to maintain the Book Exchange. It is the community's! And thanks to the book lovers who have been taking extra time to try to keep the place neat and tidy.
We each need to do our bit or this "exchange" will be gone. And I will really be upset.
LINDA FLOYD,
Salt Spring



EASTER EARS: Above left, Hector Manx and the Easter Bunny hang out at the Salt Spring Cheese farm's annual Easter event; while above right, Huy Lam dresses for the occasion at Everlasting Summer.

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Support transit

As a busy couple that is trying to exist with one car, I want to congratulate Gary Holman and all those people on the island's transportation committee for their successful bid to get a grant for a public transit system on our island.

It has been a long time coming. I must admit, five years ago I could not actually see myself using public transit on the island. Now I can't wait to have the option. A public transit system will give my husband and I a good alternative to driving into town and more flexibility as we plan who gets the car each day.

A referendum must be held to authorize a tax to raise 25 per cent of the cost of the public transit system that must come from the local community. The referendum is also needed to establish a transportation commission that will administer it as well as take the liability for sidewalks and much-needed pedestrian and cycling pathways.

Island Pathways has been struggling away for years trying to get pathways on the islands. With the transportation commission being able to take the liability for pathways and gas tax money coming in to the community, there is finally a light at the end of the tunnel. I hope everyone will vote in favor of a public transit system on our island and for a transportation commission to administer it.

JEAN GELWICKS, Salt Spring

Protecting farmland

Re: Three Point Properties' Fulford valley proposal.

As residents and farm owners in the Fulford valley,

we have been involved in the protection and preservation of this part of the island in critical times in the recent past.

The farmland in this valley is not only of current agricultural interest, it was among the first settled and farmed lands in the history of European settlement of the province. Its preservation as a high-quality farm and forest ecosystem has particular historical and practical relevance.

It is also becoming abundantly clear in discussions just this past week that were covered by the Times Colonist, the CBC and other media, that local farm production will become an increasingly critical issue for this province. Experts are saying that we need to double our current farm production to be able to meet the needs of B.C. residents in the near future and expand the actual land base by at least 30 per cent. Even the B.C. agriculture minister was quoted as saying it will be very difficult to get farm land out of the ALR even for local community causes in the future and spoke of the priority of adding lands to it.

Other experts stated that even in the 10 year outlook, the need to maximize the sustainable usage of the special productive farmlands here in the southwest of the province might even involve the reclaiming of low-density residential suburbs back into farmland!

It is our opinion that the offer of 65 acres of the best farmland on the island to the community in exchange for one extra zoning from the amenity zoning bank is a good deal for the whole island. A lot of high-quality food production could come year round for all of us from

this very productive irrigated parcel. If we think even further into the rapidly evolving future it would be hard to say that the acquisition of this parcel as community managed farmland isn't anything but an absolute necessity.

A community-managed parcel of this value could allow keen young farmers who can't afford land costs here to actually work this land into production. Its sale on the open market would allow its purchase as a speculative holding. The high cost of the land here could give us the likely scenario of an expensive estate property that would be most likely minimally farmed and totally out of the reach of anyone considering a commercial farm project.

We feel it's time to take the

emerging world ecological picture very seriously and put this land aside for our children. For the future that is coming towards us, we all have to be prepared to make sacrifices around our personal circumstances to meet the larger challenges and adjustments that lie before us.

Furthermore, this is an innovative type of offer from the developer. This deal could establish a significant precedent in the future of land development on this island, where we require the developers to make a worthwhile contribution for the sake of the community in exchange for their personal gain.

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Winnipeg MP speaks locally Saturday

Part-time Salt Springer and Member of Parliament Pat Martin (Winnipeg Centre) is the featured speaker this Saturday, April 14 at a gathering of NDP members, friends and the public in the United Church in Ganges.

His presentation begins at 3:30 p.m. followed by questions and answers.

After Martin's talk, four candidates for the Saanich-Gulf Islands federal NDP nomination will introduce themselves and may be questioned on their vision, values and reasons for running. The four hopefuls are Mehdi Najari, Hanne Pannekoek, Mark Walsh and Julian West.

Martin is originally from B.C. where he was a miner then a carpenter by trade.

"That is why when he takes a break on Salt Spring his great joy is to get out tools and work around his cottage and property," said Irene Wright of the local NDP club.

"He and his wife Barbara are becoming familiar faces at the Saturday market and in the village. He has been known to host other MPs for a little 'R and R.' That is why you may well have seen Jack Layton here on occasion."

Martin is now critic for ethics and privacy and worked to strengthen the Federal Accountability Act.

He is a founding member of the Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, initiated the action on getting trans fats out of prepared food and is working to stop continuing use of asbestos.

He has also "been an out-standing spokesperson for compensation to victims of Canada's residential schools and has been honoured by First Nations for this work," said Wright.

On Saturday Martin will speak about the present government in action, with a look at how a minority government manages to operate and the challenges it provides.

He will also comment on the work of B.C.'s MPs — from Nathan Cullen to Gary Lunn.

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RANTS

Thanks to the buddy who parks his truck in the only boat launch at St. Mary Lake while he's fishing. How is everyone else supposed to get their boats in the water if you are blocking the launch? B. MacLean

ROSES

Roses to all those who made the Fabulous Flea Market such a success: Shaw Cable and Thrifty Foods for free advertising, the Fulford Hall Committee for manning the doors and clean-up, the kitchen workers for great food, Brian Finnemore for all that he does in the background, the vendors who rented tables, and all of you who bought food and goods. JJ

Many thanks to Drew Clarke and his tow truck for the assistance in building the memorial for Dan. The Snook family

Sweet chocolate roses to my dear nephew Jesse, who so selflessly gave me

his beautiful chocolate bunny at Oma and Opa's house because I had missed the Easter egg hunt. While everyone else was counting their loot, Jesse ran back to his basket, picked the best prize that he had found and handed it to me with a smile as wide as the sun is bright. How lucky we are to have you in our lives, Jesse! Tante Sabine

Roses galore for Sir William Foster. You made it a wonderful day for me. Mrs. Clean

Roses to Dr. Crichton, Dr. Preshaw, nurses and staff at Lady Minto. To my special friends Deanna and Gerry, Helga and Bob, Susannah, Nancy, Barb, daughter Janet, Donna, Debbie, and others too numerous to mention. A million thanks, Mairi

The turn-out was impressive, the accomplishments were astounding, the work bee 100 per cent! Way to go, guys of the Rod and Gun Club. You've earned more than just roses!

Wild Nootka roses to all the classes from Salt Spring Island Middle School of last

year that pulled broom at the Andres Vogt Nature Reserve during their field trips. A report from our AVNR trail monitor, Terry, says that the full extent of your hard work is apparent and he is very impressed with the difference from last year to this spring. You made a big difference. Thanks to all of you. SSI Conservancy

A large bunch of hardy rosebuds to Jan Jang, Barb Lyngard and her South-end Foodie Goodies for their help in making the Spring Flea Market for the Fulford Hall its usual success. The hall committee

A dozen beautifully scented roses for Bob Twaites and Theatre Resources for the loan of staging, stairs and more. They helped make our Fulford play The Musicians of Bremen Town a success! Thank you from everyone at Fulford school

A bunch of exquisite roses for Harry Warner and the Salt Spring Folk Club for the loan of the folk club's lights. The lights lit up our stages and students of Fulford school during their Bremen Town play.

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In a large bowl, place 2 pounds ground meat of your choice with 1 tablespoon paprika, 2 teaspoons dried oregano, 3 tablespoons chili powder, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin, 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander, 1/2 teaspoon black pepper & 1/2 teaspoon ground allspice. In a blender combine 3 slices of chopped uncooked bacon, 2 tablespoons chili flakes, (or 1 whole hot chili pepper softened by placing in hot water for 15 minutes then drained), 1/4 cup red wine or vinegar, & 5 garlic cloves. Puree until smooth & combine with the meat mixture. Mix well. Place 1/2 pound of the chorizo mix in large skillet. Over medium high heat, cook, stirring frequently. Drain fat. Add 6 eggs and scramble well. Serve with heated tortillas & salsa. (Package the remaining sausage & freeze in 1/2 pound packages for future use in chili dishes, casseroles, quesadillas or any other favorite recipe.)

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DINNER AT THE DOCK: Roman Downarowicz sells shrimp at Centennial wharf from his boat Auburn Lady.
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‘Tough new rules’ don’t change much for school companies

By **STACY CARDIGAN SMITH**
Driftwood Staff

Legislation proposed by the Ministry of Education to improve accountability and transparency of provincial school district business companies changes little for School District 64’s business company.

In July 2006, Doug Hibbins published the School District Business Entity Review, commissioned by the ministry, in which he made a number of recommendations to improve business companies.

In October, the ministry accepted eight of his nine recommendations, and just last week proposed legislation making six of them law.

Amendments include that a majority of directors be at arm’s length from the school board; that June 30 be the end of the fiscal year; and that business companies:

- appoint auditors and prepare financial statements;
- include schedules of

transactions between the business company and the school board in audited financial statements;

- issue annual reports; and
- hold public annual general meetings.

The amendments came as little surprise to business company director and school board chair May McKenzie.

“I knew there wouldn’t be any surprises as [Bond] basically adopted the Doug Hibbins report,” she said.

School District 64’s business company is already in compliance with a majority of the amendments.

The province gave school boards the ability to operate business companies when it enacted the School Amendment Act in 2002. The School District 64 business company was incorporated in 2003 and oversees the international student program, an online education course and elementary school in Poland. Twelve districts province-wide currently operate business companies.

Harry Burton’s stewardship wins award

Salt Spring’s Harry Burton has been honoured with a national stewardship award from Wildlife Habitat Canada (WHC).

Burton was one of 15 recipients for 2007.

“For the past eight years, Mr. Bur-

ton has focused on conserving and propagating a wide variety of heritage apples,” states the WHC website. “He has hundreds of specimens of apple trees growing on his land . . . Mr. Burton has always worked diligently to raise awareness about the need to pre-

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Students share environmental insights at congress

By STACY CARDIGAN SMITH
Driftwood Staff

Three island high school students were given the honour not only of presenting their ideas to Premier Gordon Campbell and Education Minister Shirley Bond, but also of setting the tone of the first ever student congress in Vancouver last week.

Fiona and Heather Munro were invited to present the climate change education program and school sustainability report they have been working on to Campbell, Bond and 120 of their peers. Ben Dunsmuir discussed the recently-approved Saturna Ecological Education Centre (SEEC) and the possibilities

“I think the organizers were surprised by how passionate, articulate and willing to speak they all were.”
— Eleanor Cocker

the facility provides.

While touring island schools in January, Minister Bond was so impressed with the Gulf Islands Secondary School (GISS) students she specifically invited them to present at the congress, said GISS teacher Eleanor Cocker. Other attendees had to

apply for the honour.

“I was quite nervous because the Premier was there and so was Shirley Bond, but it was actually quite nice because we were presenting to the students and we had a PowerPoint (presentation), which made it easier,” said Fiona Munro.

The Munro sisters, both in Grade 12, made a seven-minute presentation, and Dunsmuir, in Grade 11, spoke for three.

Presentations were also made on community, Aboriginal education and health, said Fiona Munro. However, as the environment is the hot topic of late, the islanders were able to kick start the conference.

After each presentation, attendees were given time to ask questions of the presenters, Minister Bond and Premier Campbell.

Fiona Munro said one of the most interesting parts was hearing the challenges faced by students from different-sized schools province-wide.

“It was really good for meeting kids from all over B.C. and finding out what they’re doing.”

In particular, many students were interested in Salt Spring’s idle-free parking zones and how they might initiate such a campaign at their own schools. In fact, Minister Bond said the province is looking at enacting

legislation that would ban vehicle idling at all B.C. schools, said Fiona Munro.

“I think the organizers were surprised by how passionate, articulate and willing to speak they all were,” Cocker said of the students.

Presenting to such an interested and motivated group of students was inspiring, said Fiona Munro.

The sisters have been highly involved in school politics for years, and have been working to inform high school and middle school students about climate change. For example, delegating February as climate change education month, they plastered the school with posters, circulated a climate change pledge form,

contended students and teachers in a climate quiz show, and showed An Inconvenient Truth.

The sustainability report the twosome authored examined issues such as the recycling program in place at the school, the kinds of chemicals utilized to clean the facility, and the products used and food served in the cafeteria.

“After gaining a lot of experience and seeing a lot of things, we’ve kind of wanted to initiate our own things because we realized that if we don’t do it, no one will,” Heather Munro said of their reasoning behind the projects.

“They just quietly go about doing amazing things,” Cocker said.

Dunsmuir’s presentation on SEEC was also well received, said Fiona Munro.

“People are really interested in that because they thought it was a really neat idea to start off [educating students about the environment] earlier,” she said.

SEEC was approved at last month’s school district board meeting. When operational in September, the school will host students from all over the district for outdoor education and sustainability programs. High school students will also be able to travel to the school up to three days per week for study.

SEEC is the brainchild of Dunsmuir’s father, Saturna Island School principal Steve Dunsmuir.

In addition to drawing a lot of media attention, it is hoped the congress will also open up dialogue between students province-wide.

“Even though the congress may have had a political agenda . . . its results went far beyond that,” wrote Cocker via e-mail. “There was a lot of talk about getting together more often on specific topics, especially the environment and youth, and the kids mentioned many times that they wanted to see an online forum for student leaders.”

The honour of presenting at such a conference is not lost on the students.

“That’s pretty amazing. It makes me feel pretty great about what we’ve done,” Heather Munro said. “I’m still very young and I’ve done lots of things and they just seem to be getting better and snowballing.”

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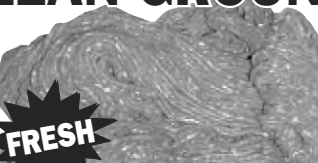
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3.98
7 Lb. Big Bag

FAMILY PACK

LEAN GROUND BEEF



1.68
Lb.

3.70 Kg.

FRESH

CALIFORNIA GROWN

STRAWBERRIES



2.99
2 Lb. Clam shell Pkg.

TEXAS GROWN

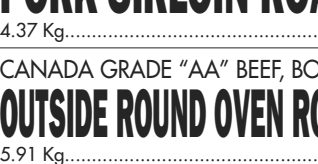
RIO RED GRAPEFRUIT



3.48
5 Lb. Bag

FAMILY PACK, FRESH, BONELESS

PORK SIRLOIN ROAST



1.98
Lb.

4.37 Kg.

1.98
Lb.

FROZEN, HEAD OFF, WILD, WHOLE

SOCKEYE SALMON



79¢
100 Grams

3.59 Lb. Limit 2

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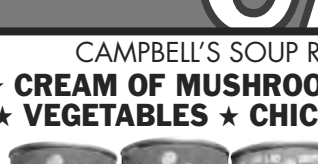
CARROTS



2.48
5 Lb. Bag

CANADA GRADE "AA" BEEF, BONELESS

OUTSIDE ROUND OVEN ROAST



2.68
Lb.

5.91 Kg.

2.68
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BY THE PIECE, FRESH

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Lb.

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12's x 113 Gram Pkg

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LARGE 907 Gram Pkg

9.99
LARGE 907 Gram Pkg

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★ **ORANGE BEVERAGE**



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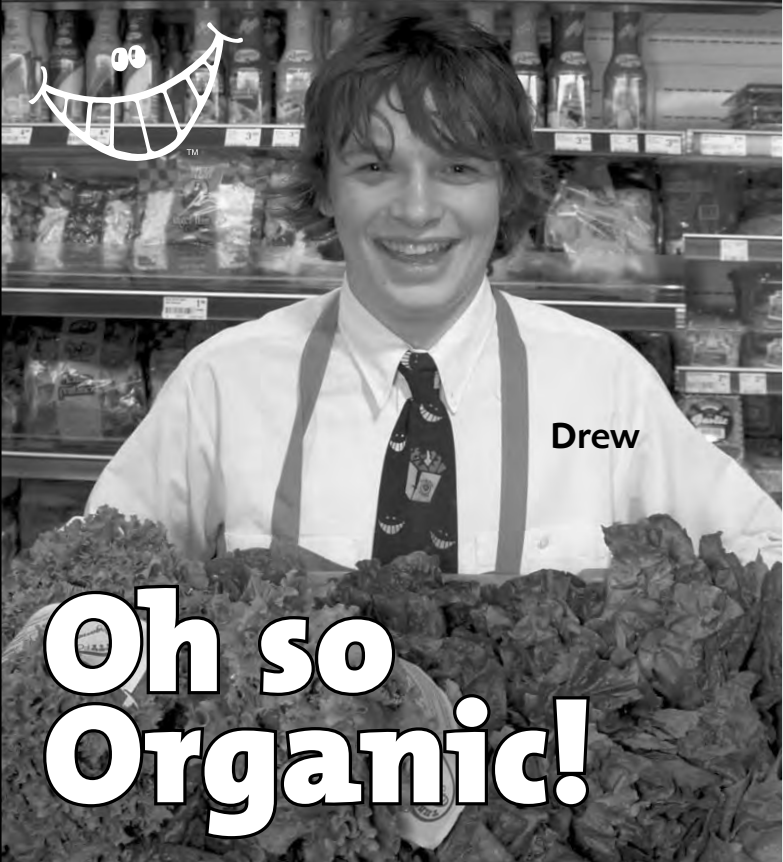
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502 390	NEWS	World	News	The Hour		News: The National	News: The National	News: The National	News: The National	News: The National		News: The National		Earthquake		News: The National	
289 381	KIRO	Judy	Judy	News	News	News		ET	Access	Jericho		Criminal Minds		CSI: NY		News	
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324 632	EA1	Movie	40 The Fisher King (1991)	Robin Williams.			The People vs. Larry Flynt					15 Outbreak (1995)		Dustin Hoffman.			Movie
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42	539	TCM	3:30The Next Voic...	Stingaree (1934) Richard Dix.		Living on Love		45 A Man to Remember		Edward Ellis.		Stingaree (1934) Richard Dix.		Living on Love			

THIS WEEK'S

MOVIES

Salt Spring Driftwood: Current: New Lineup Movie
Breakout for Apr 11, 2007 to Apr 17, 2007

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11				
6:30 PM				
42	★★	Living on Love (1937, Romance)	When a landlord forces deadbeat tenants to share an apartment, they resent each other. <i>James Dunn, Whitney Bourne</i> (1h15)	
7:00 PM				
29	★★★	The People vs. Larry Flynt (1996, Biography)	A controversial magazine mogul pushes the boundaries of American morality. <i>Courtney Love, Woody Harrelson</i> (2h15)	
7:45 PM				
42	★★	A Man to Remember (1938, Drama)	Townfolk come to appreciate a doctor after he goes above and beyond the call of duty. <i>Anne Shirley, Edward Ellis</i> (1h45)	
9:00 PM				
6	★★★★	Spartan (2004, Thriller)	A Secret Service agent and a rookie cop search for a politician's missing daughter. <i>Val Kilmer, Derek Luke</i> (2h)	
12	★★	Ties That Bind (2006, Drama)	To make extra money, a young married couple rent out their guesthouse. <i>Nicole De Boer, Dean Aylesworth</i> (2h)	
13	★★	The Recruit (2003, Thriller)	A mentor asks a talented young CIA trainee to help find a mole inside the agency. <i>Al Pacino, Colin Farrell</i> (2h35)	
9:15 PM				
29	★★★★	Outbreak (1995, Suspense)	Army medical researchers must contain a deadly virulent disease and locate its source. <i>Dustin Hoffman, Rene Russo</i> (2h15)	
9:30 PM				
42	★★	Stingaree (1934, Romance)	A dashing highwayman sacrifices his freedom so the woman he loves can be successful. <i>Irene Dunne, Richard Dix</i> (1h30)	
11:00 PM				
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11:30 PM				
29	★★	Striptease (1995, Comedy)	A Miami strip club dancer struggles to regain custody of her daughter from her ex-husband. <i>Burt Reynolds, Demi Moore</i> (2h)	
THURSDAY, APRIL 12				
7:00 PM				
29	★★	Boiling Point (1993, Crime Story)	A United States Treasury Agent and his partner look for another agent's killers. <i>Dennis Hopper, Wesley Snipes</i> (1h35)	
8:00 PM				
42	★★	Hour of the Gun (1967, Western)	Wyatt Earp enlists Doc Holliday's help as he searches for his brother's murderer. <i>James Garner, Jason Robards</i> (2h)	
8:35 PM				
29	★★★★	Savior (1998, Drama)	During the fighting in Bosnia a hardened mercenary finds his own humanity when confronted. <i>Nastassja Kinski, Pascal Rollin</i> (1h55)	
9:00 PM				
12	★★	Blue Crush (2002, Adventure)	A surfer girl falls for a football player while preparing for an important competition. <i>Matthew Davis, Kate Bosworth</i> (2h)	
10:00 PM				
42	★★★★	A Thousand Clowns (1965, Comedy)	A talented writer caring for his much-loved twelve-year-old nephew risks losing him. <i>Barbara Harris, Jason Robards</i> (2h15)	
10:30 PM				
29	★★	Besieged (1998, Drama)	An exiled African woman in Italy goes to work as a housekeeper in a composer's home. <i>David Thewlis, Thandie Newton</i> (1h35)	
FRIDAY, APRIL 13				
6:45 PM				
42	★★★★	My Favorite Year (1982, Comedy)	A writer for a hit 1950s show is put in charge of keeping an alcoholic guest star sober. <i>Mark Linn-Baker, Peter O'Toole</i> (2h15)	
7:00 PM				
29	★★★★	A Bronx Tale (1993, Drama)	A boy is torn between his street-wise, working class father and a charismatic crime boss. <i>Chazz Palminteri, Robert De Niro</i> (2h5)	
7:30 PM				
69	★	Mr. Magoo (1997, Comedy)	A visually impaired billionaire becomes the target of a ruthless band of jewel thieves. <i>Kelly Lynch, Leslie Nielsen</i> (1h30)	
8:00 PM				
13	15	★	White Chicks (2004, Comedy)	Two disgraced FBI agents go undercover as white women in an effort to protect heiresses. <i>Marlon Wayans, Shawn Wayans</i> (2h)
9:00 PM				
12	★	Honey (2003, Drama)	A young woman pursues her dream to become a professional music-video choreographer. <i>Jessica Alba, Lil' Romeo</i> (2h)	
69	★★	Prefontaine (1997, Drama)	The true-life story of legendary track star Steve Prefontaine who captured the nation. <i>Jared Leto, R. Lee Ermy</i> (1h45)	
42	★★★★	Network (1976, Drama)	Ratings and power struggles behind a news program lead to the downfall of the anchorman. <i>Faye Dunaway, Ned Beatty</i> (2h15)	



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253	359	CITY	6:00 Breakfast Television		CityLine		969		Million..	Various		Various Movies				Rachael Ray Show			
14		KSTW	The Daily Buzz		The 700 Club		Divorce	Divorce	Brown	Brown	The People's Court	Alex	Alex	The People's Court	Like You	Like You			
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288	380	KOMO	7:00 Morning Am.		Regis & Kelly		The View		KOMO 4 News		All My Children	One Life to Live		General Hospital	Northwest				
287	379	KING	Today Show		Today Show II		Martha		Ellen DeGeneres	News		Days of Our Lives		Passions		Dr. Phil			
291	383	KCTS	C.George	Clifford	Dragon T.	Big World	Sesame Street		B.Lions	Barney	T.Kitchen	Art Food	Garden	Paint	Place	Reading	Cyberch.	Maya&M.	
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Cuban instrument fundraiser goes multi-media: Sat.

This year's Maiz Verde fundraiser takes on a twist with help from Sirbassa Sounds in presenting Una Noche Cubana at Barb's Bakery & Bistro on Saturday, April 14.

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Following the live performances is a screening of the award-winning documentary film Under the Radar, which offers a glimpse into the dynamic music of Afro-Cubans and the shared culture of Africans in the Americas.

"Under the Radar shows that music can be a bridge and a medium of cultural exchange," states a press release. "We are delighted that the executive producer of the film, Alvin 'Skipper' Bailey, will be on hand for the evening to speak about the film and his experiences in Cuba."

Bailey currently resides in Washington, D.C. and has for many years been involved with the Caravan to Cuba venture.

After the film, DJ SirBassa will spin some great music to dance the night away.

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG: Salt Spring artist Denys James is back from a European trip and selling his artwork at the Saturday market, which officially opened last weekend. The market drew hundreds of people in a crowd that was reminiscent of the summer months.

Photo by Derrick Lundy

Painters' works blaze Horizon trails

By **DAWN HAGE**
Driftwood Contributor

A wide palette of pleasures awaits visitors when they stroll through the lobby and gallery rooms at ArtSpring over the next two weeks.

The Salt Spring Painters Guild has launched its spring exhibition titled New Horizons and it does not disappoint.

The show opened on Saturday and runs until April 22, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Visitors are welcome to grab a pencil and ballot and mark down their favourites as they enjoy the display. The artist receiving the most votes will win the People's Choice Award. Viewers can also enter a free draw to receive a Jack Avison painting.

I slipped away from a busy pre-Easter egg hunt yard clean-up to preview the exhibition and spent a lovely hour wandering amongst the paintings as R&B wafted out of the speakers in the lobby of ArtSpring.

When one first enters the Bob Jankura Lounge, a group of landscapes greets where the dominant colours are shades of blue and white and one feels the chill of winter, ice, windy skies and choppy waters. In

Kees Wouters' mixed-media collage called Mountain Retreat, the craggy rocks literally reach out beyond the canvas. The effect is striking whether observing close up or from afar.

Another painting that creates a wonderful effect both when viewed across the room or up close is Mountain Blues by Milan Stevulak. It depicts a gorgeous rendering of light reflected off mountains, trees, snow and sky.

Window to the Past by Mary Burns grabbed my attention right away with its unusual frame created by a scalloped extension of the canvas itself, enhanced by a gilt-edged border. Burns makes use of canvas threads in this maritime scene, creating a foamy texture on the playful waves that is effective and fun.

Just the Two of Us by Jacqueline Meredith shows two Canada Geese flying in a cloudy grey sky that merges seamlessly with the body of water below. I loved their simple beauty, highlighted by the muted greys and blues of the background sky.

Delightful paintings by Sylvia Andrews, Bev Lillyman, Jocelyn Holmes and Dawn Davies round out the first display and all capture and intrigue the viewer. It is clear that this exhibition

is a not-to-be-missed show. Organizers of New Horizons state that the show "focusses on new and innovative works" and this is clearly the case, through both subject matter and materials used.

Stripes and Second Look by Libby Jutras grab the viewer with abstract black and white undulating lines on two large canvasses. A single eye appears out of the texture of both paintings. Rita Willoughby's Madrone uses undulating lines and reds, browns and orange that remind me of a river of lava. Dawn Davies' mixed-media portrait You Have to Run Like a Panther to Keep Up With Me makes use of actual feathers to accentuate the headdress of the native woman whose face emerges beautifully from shades of black, brown and grey.

More paintings grace the walls along the staircase heading up to the ticket office and I am struck by the joy and life-affirming colour in Nancy Wigen's Crocus. Yellow and shades of purple and mauve leap out of this vibrant floral painting and images of sunlight and spring feel very appropriate for Easter weekend.

The lounge at the top of the stairs brings an interesting "view from below" of Apples by Jose Campbell,

and a woman gently blown by a seaside wind as she wanders down a country path in Seaward Sound by Dawn Sparks is realistic and engaging.

Ingrid Kormer's Take Me Home-Beddis Road is a mixed-media representation of a country scene with house, trees and field on a beloved Salt Spring road that feels both familiar and serene.

Works by Bernice Wood, Yvonne Gibbon and Suzanne Prendergast engage me as I relax in the chairs provided and soak in the images.

A trio of animal portraits completes the upstairs display with Three Sheep by Dawn Sparks taking a break from the typical white woolly haired image to portray a sleek, smooth and fluid trio of sheep with unique postures and expressions.

This is but an appetizer of the paintings on display at the Salt Spring Painters' Guild New Horizons exhibition.

Ballots are available in the gallery space and at the ticket office upstairs.

An opening reception will take place on Tuesday, April 10 from 7 to 9 p.m., providing an opportunity to mingle with the artists, enjoy desserts and beverages and cast votes for favourite paintings.

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West and east coast islands rise up for Gumboot Gala

By **MARIT MCBRIDE**
Driftwood Contributor

The Salt Spring Folk Club's 10th season wound up with an April 2 Gumboot Gala that swept the audience along on a musical journey from coast to coast.

From the west coast, singing songs written on Salt Spring Island, were hometown legends Valdy and Bill Henderson. Resplendent in suits (and I use that term loosely in Valdy's case as he sported suit-shorts and red stockings), the duo offered some of their own creations such as Henderson's Crazy Talk, his tribute to anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan, and Valdy's VLT Song, It's the Water, as well as selections from The Laws and Kathy Stack.

Harry Warner made a surprise appearance for his biographical ballad From Galway to Ganges, accompanied by Henderson, Valdy and Briony Penn.

The Fulford-Ganges Strut performed by Valdy and Henderson was particularly memorable as the two stood face to face and poured out their energies through their guitars. At the first intermission I overheard someone saying, "Well, I could go home after that, they were great," but the show was far from over.

From our laid-back west coast island music we shifted to an east coast island attitude for Cape Breton's hometown legend, the Lord of the Strings, J.P. Cormier. Accompanied on keyboard by his wife Hilda Chiasson-Cormier, the most recorded Cape Breton pianist, and multi-instrumentalist Darren McMullen, it was soon



GIFTS FOR THE GAL: Outgoing Salt Spring Folk Club board chair Kathleen Horsdal models a hat presented to her by the board, including Bill Henderson, and cuddles a stuffed animal given to her by Valdy. It was part of last week's Gumboot Gala.

Photo by Peter McCully

apparent that west meeting east was going to be very entertaining.

Cormier opened with Stranger Far From Home on his 12-string guitar, and left no doubt that he is a guitar genius. I thought perhaps it was because of the 12-string that the sound was so impressive, but Cormier's next song — The East Neuk o'Fife on mandolin — showed it wasn't the instrument but the player that was impressive.

Admitting that songs just "fell out" of him, Cormier's calm stage manner — peeking out from under his hat and squinting every now and then — was in sharp contrast to the power of his lyrics and music.

Stage antics such as a banjo/bass guitar showdown, Cormier and McMullen playing a mandolin with one hand each or with all four hands, and Chiasson-Cormier's step dancing added fun,

playful touches to the show.

Particularly poignant selections included Rise and Follow Charlie, a tribute to John Allen Cameron (the godfather of Cape Breton Celtic music) and Great Harbour Deep, the saga of a small fishing village in Newfoundland, whose inhabitants abandoned their community after years of fighting the government for better transportation and services.

Cormier's distinctive east coast sound transported us to Nova Scotia's rocky shorelines, rolling farmland and glacial valleys. It was a journey we will not soon forget.

The performance, creative culinary delights from Fiddlehead Catering and a giant carrot cake all served as a fitting tribute to the first 10 years of the Salt Spring Folk Club.

We can only hope that there will be many more for decades to come.

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EASTER ART TOUR:

Above, Anthony Matthews checks out artwork by Diana Dean — Deposition and The Appearance — at Mahon Hall, where last weekend's Salt Spring Art Tour of more than 20 island galleries started. At left, Nicholas Hunt stands amid an exhibit at Salt Spring Woodworks of organic furniture by Live Edge Design. The tour was sponsored by the Salt Spring Arts Council.

Photos by Derrick Lundy

Bachman ready for the 'jazz police' after recent island benefit concert

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

If Randy Bachman has any worries about hitting the stage at Toronto's Massey Hall this weekend, they sure didn't show at ArtSpring on Friday evening.

In a performance fusing good old-fashioned rock and roll, modern jazz and a curious William Shatner-inspired lounge sound, Bachman and his wife Denise McCann showed the near-capacity crowd some material they hope will win over some of the country's toughest critics.

In return, Salt Springers gave them a standing ovation.

The Winnipeg-born rocker grew up and spent a large part of his career dreaming of someday performing at Massey Hall, a stage to have not only hosted legendary Canadians like Gordon Lightfoot and Joni Mitchell, but jazz champions like Dizzy Gillespie and Charlie Parker.

"Not me, though," Bachman told the audience. "I always looked in from the outside, always dreaming that someday I would get the call."

Years after he rose to the top of the charts with hits

like These Eyes, Laughing, No Time, Undun and American Woman, Bachman's invitation has finally arrived.

The catch?

Whereas one of the country's best-known guitarists made his name cranking out riffs as the frontman with Bachman-Turner Overdrive and The Guess Who, Bachman is attracting attention as a musician reborn with a penchant for jazz.

Aided by Vinyl Tap, his weekly Saturday evening show on CBC Radio One, Bachman has reinvented himself as a more mature and knowledgeable musician.

Portions of Friday night's performance will air on the program later this year along with the Massey Hall concert.

As part of his ever-evolving career, Bachman is set to release JazzThing II and is working on numerous collaborations with jazz outfits on both sides of the border.

"We're going to see what works, and stick with that," he told the ArtSpring crowd, acknowledging things may sound a little wonky along the way.

Writing a classic rock anthem or two may be diffi-

cult, but reinventing oneself and changing directions mid-way through life can prove even more challenging.

For an audience more attuned to hearing the songs that made Bachman famous, it's no wonder the latest jazzed-up versions of classic rock hits elicited the occasional chuckle of laughter from the audience.

It's not bad music, it's just different than anything people have come to expect from a man who still stands as that symbol of rock.

Dressed in a classic rock uniform — a plain black T-Shirt, black jeans and a pair of black sneakers — and able to get the crowd hopping with a good old-fashioned rendition of 'Takin' Care of Business, Bachman proves he remains true to his rock and roll past.

The difference is now he's out to show jazz can rock just as hard.

The event helped raise funds for the Salt Spring Organization for Life Improvement and Development (SOLID), a non-profit group dedicated to supporting communities of sub-Saharan Africa most impacted by the HIV/AIDS pandemic.



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Concert: 'huge' favourites

The opportunity to dig into the past and create a musical program based only on the most loved and appreciated music of nearly a decade does not come along very often.

Members of the Salt Spring Concert Band (SSCB) and fans in the community were recently given such a chance and the results of their top-voted choices make up the program of a Festival of Favourites on April 20 and 21 at ArtSpring.

Music director Dawn Hage took the top five musical choices from band members, the top two community choices and included one new selection to challenge the musicians with a piece they had not already played.

The results are exciting and varied, and include music from classic band repertoire to Broadway to movie scores.

Hage wanted to give SSCB musicians a chance to revisit music that stood out in their memory as particularly worthwhile, challenging and fun.

"Sometimes you work really hard on a piece of music and get it to performance level just in time for the show. It's very exciting, but often the piece goes back

into the library after the concert and doesn't get played again. I wanted to give the band members a chance to look back at all those tunes and vote for the ones that they remembered really loving and strongly wanted to play again."

Although there were close to a hundred titles in the library, Hage narrowed the list to 35 just to make the task a little easier to handle. The community poll was a bit smaller.

"The voting went well — there were clear winners in the polls taken both within the band and the community, so that made it easy to set the program," said Hage.

She was struck by the fact that almost all of the selections chosen by the band were very big, multi-layered, complex and classic pieces.

"It tells me that the musicians really value music that is melodic, rich and musically complex," she said. "It is a blockbuster of a program — almost every piece is huge!"

The program includes Alfred Reed's classic Russian Christmas Music, Variations on a Korean Folk Song by John Barnes Chance, Vaughn William's English Folk Song Suite, Lord of the

Rings by Johan De Meij and Dry Your Tears, Afrika by John Williams.

"The second most popular pick by the community was West Side Story by Leonard Bernstein, which will also be on the show," said Hage. "We are going to reveal the 'peoples' first choice' at the concert. It was also a popular choice with the band, so everyone is happy."

Community members who sent in ballots were all eligible for a prize and Susan Thorpe Maccloud was the lucky winner of two tickets to the show.

Thanks to a grant from the Salt Spring Foundation, the SSCB was recently able to purchase a full set of chimes and it was a timely coincidence that at least two of the pieces programmed have great parts for chimes.

"The chimes sound incredible and we are so lucky to have them now," said Hage. "Especially in Russian Christmas Music — I don't know how we ever performed it without them!"

A Festival of Favourites takes place at ArtSpring on April 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and \$10 and are available at ArtSpring with GVM student passes in effect.

Demystifying choreography

We have all seen at least some dance: Swan Lake, Fred Astaire, contemporary jazz dance performed by the kids from Gulf Islands Secondary.

We can see what the dancers do, but how is it all put together? No better way to find out than to ask.

One of Canada's best contemporary choreographers, Crystal Pite, will be at ArtSpring on Sunday evening, April 15 at the invitation of Anna Haltrecht, ArtSpring's new dance outreach worker, to talk about and demonstrate the art of choreography.

"I wanted a friendly way of introducing contemporary dance to people who may not be familiar with it," said Haltrecht in an ArtSpring press release. "Crystal is a terrific choreographer and this will be a rare opportunity for people to look behind the scenes to understand what makes contemporary dance tick."

Pite studied dance in Victoria, Toronto, Banff and Frankfurt. Her choreogra-

phy has won many awards, including the Clifford E. Lee Choreographic Award in 1995 and the 2006 Alcan Award for the Performing Arts. She now leads her own Vancouver company called "Kidd Pivot." Pite's style incorporates elements of curiosity, humour, intelligence and boldness.

Timing of the educational evening has been carefully chosen as it precedes by three days a contemporary dance performance at ArtSpring by Ballet Jörgen Canada.

"I want to help our audience enjoy the performance more by putting what they will see in context," says Haltrecht. "And as it turns out, one of the pieces in the evening is choreographed by Pite herself. A short piece called Two Dances for Jane was choreographed in 1995 to music by fiddler Ashley MacIsaac. What a thrill it will be for people to be able to talk to Crystal about her art one day, and then soon after to see it enacted live on stage."

Other pieces on the Bal-

let Jörgen program include Stravinsky's Petrushka, a piece called Beatles Go Baroque, and a new dance choreographed by Robert Desrosiers called Rendezvous, which received its world premier in Toronto last month.

"If you love contemporary dance, both events will be a huge treat," said Haltrecht. "If you know nothing about it, I can't think of a better or more enjoyable introduction than our Sunday evening talk followed by a great performance three days later by one of Canada's best dance troupes."

And for those wanting to have an experiential taste of dance, Crystal will teach a workshop on Sunday April 15, 3-5 p.m. Call Anna at 537-5681 to register.

The Sunday evening with Anna Haltrecht and Crystal Pite is free and starts at 7:30 in the ArtSpring theatre.

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tues. april 17 activities Snugglers. Group for parents & babies meets at Family Place. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. North Salt Spring Waterworks District. AGM at the Masonic Hall. 7 p.m. Prostate Cancer Support Group. Meets for discussion and get-together at the Farmers Institute meeting room. 1:30 p.m. Info: Chris, 537-2720.						



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exhibitions

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• **New Horizons** — Salt Spring Island Painters' Guild Annual Spring Show and Sale runs daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at ArtSpring from Sat., April 7 through Sun., April 22.
• **J. Mitchell Gallery's 2007 Spring Show** is an extensive collection of new work by 30-plus artists. Runs through May 23.
• **Live Edge Design** shows new works of organic contemporary furniture at Salt Spring Woodworks until April 23. Gallery open Thursday through Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
• **Steffich Fine Art** — the former Thunderbird Gallery — shows **A New Perspective** with work by 16 artists.
• Works by **Nancy Angermeyer** shows at **Galleons Lap Atelier-Gallery** until Sat., April 14. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday to Saturday or by appointment.
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SIMS student projects indicate war toys are good for something

By SEAN MCINTYRE
Driftwood Staff

Some toy soldiers, it turns out, are luckier than others.

If they survive the magnifying lens' solar death ray, most are likely to end up in a dark closet corner, wedged between a rusty Slinky and crusty bits of Play-Doh.

For the legions of little green men donated by 27 Salt Spring Island Middle School students, however, life has taken on a whole new meaning as part of a project to convince children to give their violent toys and games the boot.

Tania Aguila, a Salt Spring-based human rights worker and the mastermind behind the War Toys Project, began her mission by asking students to look around and take note of what they play with.

She then challenged students to get their creative juices flowing. In no time they were transforming plastic soldiers, toy guns and violent games into works of art.

"It's just not enough to teach peace," Aguila said. "We have to do more to change things. I don't have any faith in governments to stop waging war; it is our responsibility as citizens to act for peace."

As a child growing up in war-torn El Salvador, Aguila glimpsed the horrors of war on a daily basis.

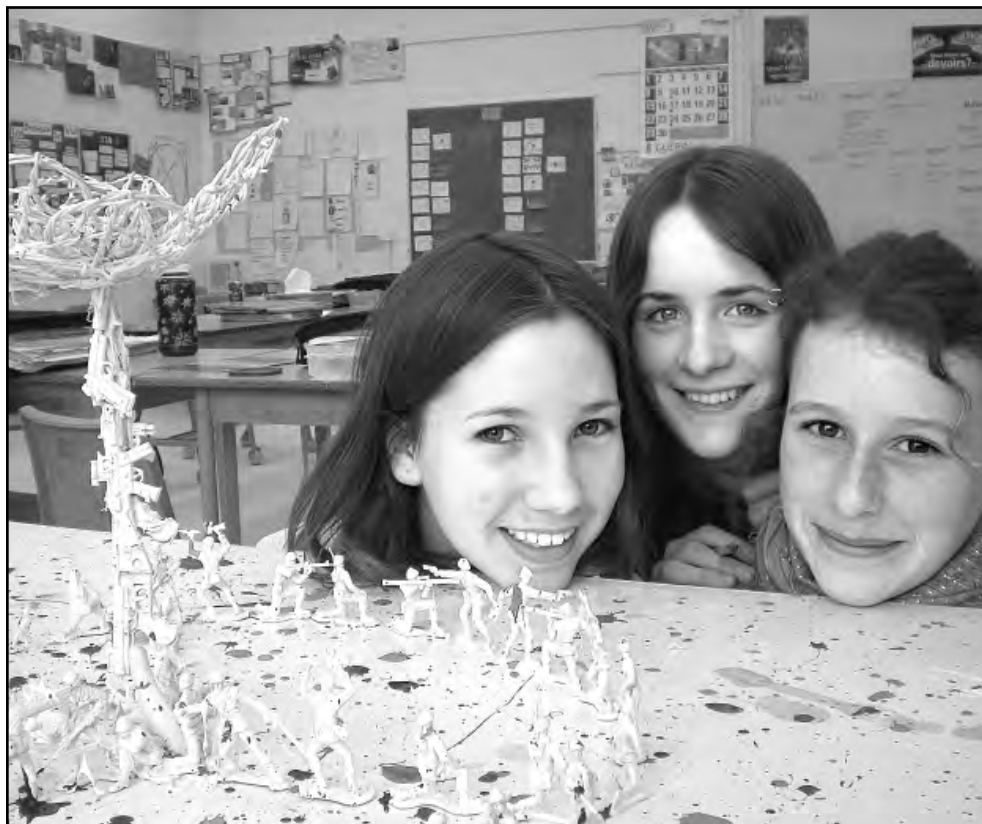
"Every morning there would be bodies in the streets," she said. "That is what war looks like."

Aguila credits these early experiences for her lifelong quest to encourage peace.

"I can't believe these toys are supposed to be fun when millions of children are living in war and poverty," she said.

To this day, she said, camouflage clothing sends shivers down her spine.

In the same way army fatigues can make war fashionable, she said, violent video games help condition



PLAYING FOR A CHANGE: Students Anna Hoskins, Seanna Johnston and Salle Wiltshire pose with their war toys project at Salt Spring Island Middle School.

Photo by Sean McIntyre

**"It's neat to see how someone's toys can be turned into a message of peace."
— Seanna Johnston**

children to think force is the only solution.

Thanks to the War Toys Project, Aguila is showing Salt Spring's youth, parents and teachers that war is not a game.

So far people are listening. The program is already garnering attention from School District No. 64 and similar projects are planned for elementary schools across the Gulf Islands.

An exhibition of students' work is set for June and Aguila said she hopes to take

the project province-wide by 2010.

"Maybe I'm an idealist, but we have already done so much damage to humanity and to the environment with war," she said.

"I think it will be possible to create a culture of peace when war becomes as socially unacceptable as drinking and driving."

Seanna Johnston, a Grade 8 SIMS student, said the project helped her see the connection between how people play and how they act.

Along with classmates Salle Wiltshire and Anna Hoskins, Johnston used some white paint to spruce up a regiment of drab green soldiers.

She and her classmates then glued them to a rainbow-coloured board in the shapes of a peace symbol and a rose.

"It's neat to see how someone's toys can be turned into a message of peace," Johnston said.

"I really like the whole idea of it."

Other projects in the class feature toy soldiers waving peace banners and holding hands on the battlefield.

One even features a pair of peacenik robots.

"The works really bring it home for students and teachers," said Christianne Bevan, a teacher at SIMS.

"Hearing [Aguila's] personal experience was really important."

While it may be hard for most Canadian students to relate to the plight of people living with violence, she said, the War Toys Project is a step in the right direction.

From the looks of things, many students are already prepared to change the way they play.

"It's easy. There's no particular way that you have to do it," said Hoskins, one of Bevan's students.

"You just have to let the peace flow."

Local radio station makes leaps-and-bounds progress

A Salt Spring radio station is closer to its first broadcast with the commercial licence application almost complete and a call sign and frequency confirmed.

Once the engineering section of the application to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission in Ottawa is complete it will just be a matter of waiting for the decision about CFSI-FM at 107.9.

"We have stressed, however, that the station will be operated as a community broadcast outlet and have included in the application

a 'work in progress' program schedule that includes everything from dinnertime classics to Saturday night Canadian Electronica, lots of talk shows (for those who may have an opinion) with Saturday mornings turned over to the high school crowd and a good many 'holes' for island programmers to fill in," explains a press release from station owner Gary Brooks and program director Richard Moses.

Most recently, with guidance from a Winnipeg technical firm and the cooperation of a generous property

owner, a site for the tower and 250-watt transmitter has been found.

When all the paperwork is in, at least 60 days must elapse before a decision can be made.

In the meantime, program proposals continue to come in and sites for studios and offices are being investigated.

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New literacy group formed to serve islanders

By STACY
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Driftwood Staff

Illiteracy of all forms is the target and eradicating that illiteracy the goal of a new group on Salt Spring.

Salt Spring Literacy (SSL) is currently assessing the island literacy rate as far as needs and resources are concerned.

To do this, they are hosting a dinner and working meeting on April 17 at the Gulf Islands Secondary School cafeteria. A number of islanders have been invited in an attempt to fully represent the island's demographics.

These include teachers and other educators, medical practitioners, and representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, said organizers Elma Rubright and Joyce Sharpe. Members of the public are also welcome to attend, but pre-registration is required.

"By going around and inviting all the people, we've



Joyce Sharpe, left, and Elma Rubright

already learned a lot about what happens here," Sharpe said.

Input will be gathered and the island's unique literacy situation will be addressed with a thorough assessment.

"Once we get that picture, we will see what we can cope with and supply," Rubright said.

Literacy not only refers

to reading, but also math and using a computer and various other electronics, Rubright said.

"Think of those that want to play a DVD or a tape. They're having difficulty."

A database consisting of all literacy-related programs will then be formed.

"Also, if there's holes in that database, we can see if

they'll be filled."

Although SSL started with the idea of working solely with illiterate adults, the concept has grown with the help of Literacy Now, a province-wide program that works with Legacies Now 2010. These groups have helped SSL members develop their plan of attack and may also give grant money to the program once it is fully hatched.

SSL now understands many areas and ages may need help, and the assessment must be completed before they can allocate resources.

Leona Gadsby, director of Literacy Now, will attend the April 17 meeting.

Project Literacy Victoria has also offered to travel to the island to train the initial tutors.

However, Rubright describes the project's timetable as "fluid" and speculates the initial results of the study will not be released until June, with the first

tutors being trained in late summer or early fall.

The SSL project has been a long time in the making for Rubright: she originally attempted to organize a similar group 10 years ago without much success. But now that the group is up and running, things are going well.

"The response that we've gotten from all the people we're talking to is just heartwarming. Everybody is just very helpful," Rubright said.

According to information published by SSL, up to 15 per cent of Canadians are illiterate to some degree, so well over a hundred people may require some assistance on Salt Spring.

"It's amazing how many people have had something sensitive in their life with having to read or use numbers," Sharpe said.

For more information, contact Elma Rubright at 537-1513, erubright@shaw.ca, or Joyce Sharpe at 537-8933, joyce@gulfspan.com.

Salt Spring orators advance in annual Toastmasters contest

Winning members of the local round of a Toastmasters international speech contest moved on and won again at the area-level round held in Nanaimo.

James Falcon was the area-level international speech contest winner and



James Falcon

Bob Rogers won the area-level evaluation contest.

They will now move on to the April 21 division contest.

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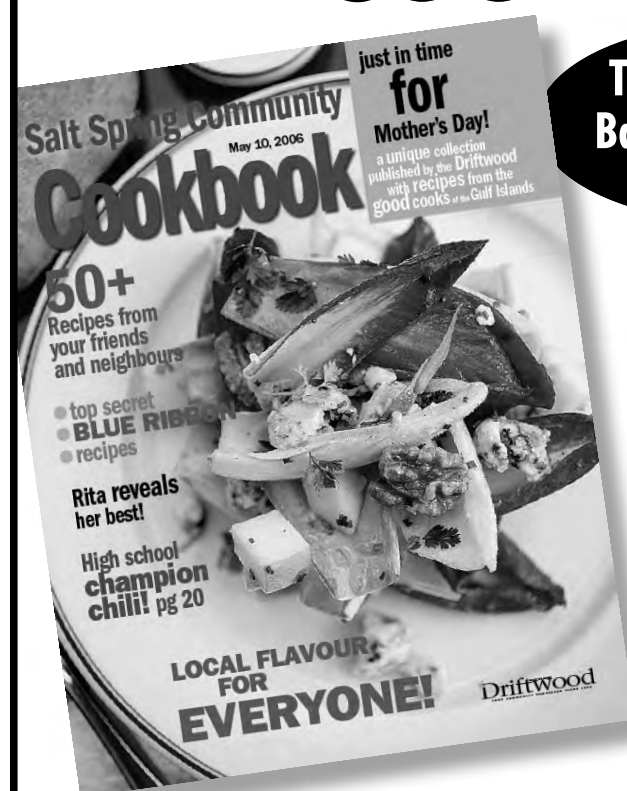
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THE BOXES ARE BACK: It's Girl Guide cookie time again and local members of the guiding community were out in force last weekend, selling their popular wares in an annual fundraising campaign. Photo by Derrick Lundy

Mill site's colourful past in new book

By **GAIL SJUBERG**
Driftwood Editor

Some properties harbour stories that can't wait to be told.

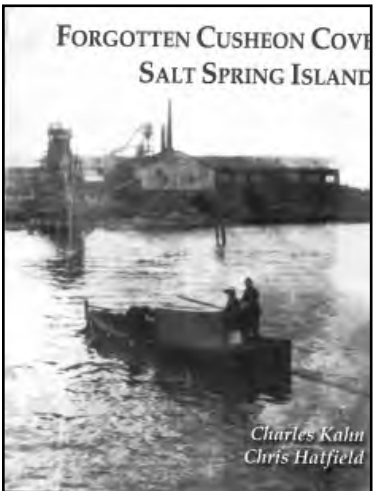
Chris Hatfield's 100-acre Cusheon Cove property — that became provincial parkland last year — is one of those.

It's already held its secrets for about a century, but what Hatfield has discovered to date can now be shared not only in the museum on the property but in a book being officially released on Sunday, April 15.

Called *Forgotten Cusheon Cove*, the 54-page book was put together by Hatfield and well-known Salt Spring author and historian Charles Kahn.

In photos, documents and lively text, it chronicles the land's uses from the early 1900s to its present day, with an emphasis on the busy lumber mill operated by landowner William Bulman's company, employing up to 150 men at its peak.

Islanders are invited to see Salt Spring's newest park-to-be at 107D Meyer Road from 1-5 p.m., take a tour of the museum and get



a signed copy of the book while enjoying some delicious refreshments.

In both the book and a recent interview, Hatfield's passion for his inherited history project and its main player — an ever-optimistic Bulman — is clear.

"As an entrepreneur I can really appreciate all he was going through to try to make a go of it," he told the Driftwood.

After first being intrigued by Japanese pottery discovered on his land several years ago, Hatfield has since spent thousands of hours researching Bulman's life and company and anything

relevant to his land.

He's pored over company documents in the legislature library in Victoria and scoured for information on the numerous artifacts found on the land and used by the Japanese and Chinese workers; items now on display in the museum.

Included are various dishes, tobacco pipes, gambling chips, pocket watch parts, combs and hand tools.

"It's like rooting around in someone's garbage," he said of his discoveries.

When Gail Neumann of Salt Spring wrote an article about Hatfield's finds for the *Victoria Times Colonist* a few years ago, Hatfield received an unexpected response that proved invaluable.

Someone sent the article to Bulman's grandson Richard Bulman in England, who advised he had both letters and photos belonging to his grandfather. *Forgotten Cusheon Cove* makes good use of both.

"We tried to use as many photos as possible," said Kahn.

Frank Neumann of the Salt Spring Archives has also been a great help on the

project, working on design and layout.

Hatfield and Kahn stress that *Forgotten Cusheon Cove* is a compilation of the story so far.

"There's a lot more to go," said Hatfield. "I feel I can do this for the rest of my life and still not finish it."

Forgotten Cusheon Cove sells for \$15.

Guy Dauncey reveals climate change solutions at April event

The renowned Guy Dauncey closes out the Imagine Salt Spring speakers series with a talk called *The Great Climate Challenge: Practical Solutions for Salt Spring Island*.

During the official community plan review, a number of focus groups reported on the challenge of planning for climate change. Imagine Salt Spring series organizers took this as a cue to add a fourth speaker to the series and grabbed the opportunity to persuade Dauncey to be the speaker on Thursday, April 19.

"Dauncey wrote the book *Stormy Weather: 101 Solutions to Global Climate Change*," notes an Imagine Salt Spring press release. "He also teaches a brilliant workshop on climate change, stressing solutions, and has written numerous articles that have been pub-

lished in *Eco-News*, *YES! Magazine*, *Common Ground* and others. He is an author, organizer, speaker par excellence and consultant who has developed a positive vision of a sustainable future and specializes in translating that vision into action. He is also the president of B.C. Sustainable Energy Association."

Dauncey has studied and written books on a number of issues, including climate change, sustainability, unemployment, cancer and the emergence of the Rainbow Economy.

"He thinks we are capable of responding in a positive way to the climate change crisis and he is working his tail off to show us some of the steps we can take to get started . . . steps that are actually successfully being taken in other parts of the world."

Dauncey believes everyone needs to become involved.

"If you become involved in the political process, you can help to determine the shape of the world you live in, both locally and globally," he said. "The future is determined by those who show up. If you don't get involved politically, you are trusting our future to people who may have a very different vision for your world."

Next Thursday's free talk runs from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Dauncey will also speaking at the middle school in the morning of April 19, and at the high school and Farmers Institute in the afternoon.

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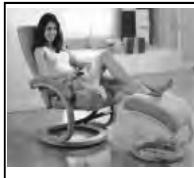
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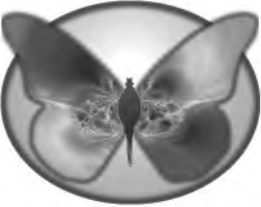
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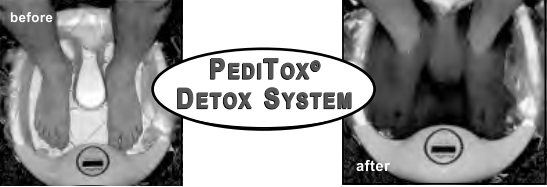
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The team got off on the wrong foot early on, losing a close match to the powerful Woodlands squad from Nanaimo by a score of 2-1.

A goal from Elsbet Krayenhoff brought the Scorpions within reach but a solid defensive opposition shut down any chances of a comeback.

The Scorpions took revenge against Cedar Secondary in a 7-0 victory. Natalia Alonso picked up a hat-trick in the match.

The team failed to capitalize on momentum from that win, however, losing to Kwilicum 6-2 the following day.

Though the team has the offensive potential to dominate, consistency remains the order of the upcoming weeks, said Doug Pearson, the team's head coach.

Because of the short spring soccer season, he added, teams face added pressure to make every game count.



SENIOR SOCCER: GISS player Elsbet Krayenhoff outmaneuvers a Woodlands player for the ball in high school soccer action last week.

Photo by John Cameron.

Mitchell movement makes more winners

By JILL EVANS
Driftwood Contributor

What's a Mitchell movement? And what's a Howell? Stay tuned.

On March 26 there were enough players (over six tables) that a Mitchell movement could be used, where the North/South pair stays put all evening and the East/West pair moves from table to table. Therefore there are North/South winners and separate East/West winners.

Joan Conlan and Sue Mouat were solidly in N/S first place, with Isabelle Richardson and Jean Elder in second. The E/W winners were a dead heat — Ian Thomas and Zelly Taylor tied with Sandy Thompson and Paul Retallack.

April 2 was a Howell movement, where each pair moves around to different tables. In first place were Sandy Thompson and Paul Retallack, followed by Isabelle Richardson and Zelly Taylor. Joan Conlan and Sue Mouat were in the third spot,

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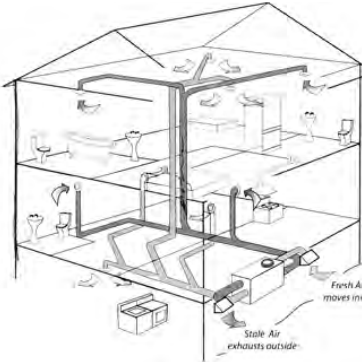
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Slayers shut down Nanaimo offence in squeaker

By **BILL BARRETT**
Driftwood Contributor

To quote right tackle, Ben Beaver, "This is our best game ever!"

Thursday's game against the Nanaimo District Senior Secondary (NDSS) Islanders was, without a doubt, the most exciting Slayers football game the middle school team has ever played.

Possession of the ball went back and forth from one end of the field to the other, as first downs were made and fourth downs turned over.

Quarterback Zack Corley confidently led his offence against a determined Islander defence. Full-back, Kevin Abbott gained yard after yard, gaining first downs and thus

marching the Slayers down field.

The Slayers were first to strike as running back Eric Pultke, followed his blockers out flanking the Islander defence and scampering in for the touch down. Possession of the ball traded back and forth through the second quarter until Pultke, on an option play, ran down the right side of the field for the next TD.

Unfortunately, the Slayers were unable to convert after their touchdowns and at the end of the first half the score was Slayers 12, Islanders 0.

It wasn't until late in the third quarter that the Islanders were finally able to punch one through the Slayers' defence, and again for the con-

vert. The middle of the fourth quarter found the Islanders scoring again.

The undeterred Slayers persevered and marched the ball down the field to the Islanders' five-yard line, but a fumble turned the ball over to the Islanders. The final score of the game was Slayers 12, Islanders 14.

Defensively, nose-tackle Mason Raposo led the defence in shutting down the Islanders' offence, restricting them to hard-fought gains of two or three yards at a time. Safety Luke Stevenson made a number of notable tackles and cornerback Russell Minvielle gained the upper hand on an Islander receiver, snatching a pass for an interception.

"Warrior of the game" goes to

Grade 7 student Torin McIvor, a tight-end and outside linebacker. Despite his diminutive stature, he took on players twice his size and almost twice his weight.

Time after time saw McIvor run over, rolled up or thrown out, but still he managed to either make his block or tackles. McIvor is one tough player who just brims with SIMS pride.

Never before have I seen our players so "pumped with pride" at their achievements.

It is only a matter of practice time and game experience before the team sees their first win!

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everybody had to eat instead of beef and other rationed stuff during the war.

Spam is of course the obnoxious garbage that passes for advertising and flows unwanted and illicitly into our e-mail inboxes faster than Victoria's sewage into the sea. Of course, spam is getting worse. We all know that. And there doesn't seem to be much we can do about it: the cleverer the filters we install, the more ingenious the Spammers become and the more crap there is to clog up our lines.

The mystery to me is why. It should be easy to discourage the advertising culprits from spending even modest amounts of money on these mass blasts of junk ads: DON'T BUY ANYTHING

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It's no big deal to go click click click and get rid of the trash. What really makes us mad anyway is the colossal gall of these jerks who invade our computers. So? Just get rid of them by totally ignoring them. NEVER open an offer.

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CANADA POSTES
POST CANADA

Shorei-Kan kids pass black belt tests in local karate action

Leh Smallshaw and Markus Grunner are the latest Salt Spring youth to earn their children's black belts in Shorei-Kan karate.

On March 31 they passed their examinations and earned their black belts with good grades.

"Tests were overseen by Shihan Tomoaki Koyabu, who brought this form of Okinawan go-ju (hard-soft)

karate to Canada 35 years go," said Salt Spring Shorei-Kan instructor Brenda Guiled.

"He taught a class first to 15 students, from white belts to black."

The tests were graded by chief instructors Jim Menear of Langley dojo, a 5th-degree black belt, Rudy Ganasi of Coquitlam dojo, 3rd

degree, and Guiled of Salt Spring, also 3rd degree.

Cameron Sutherland and Aidan Buckley, who achieved their children's black belts last June, tested as well.

They took their third upgrade test to youth black belt, with five to go to achieve this goal.

Jonathan Klassen tested for kyu

8, which is two tests from black belt. All three performed well and passed with good marks, said Guiled.

Salt Spring Shorei-Kan dojo has 23 students, all kids and teens from ages six to 16. Five now have their black belts, and several are just a test or two away from their black belt examinations.

"The day was sunny, spirits were high and some said it was 'the best day ever.' Lucky Salt Spring has the gifts of Okinawan karate come to it through Tomoaki Koyabu's pioneering work in Canada, and these gifts now flow through some of the exceptional children of this island."

Soccer season rolls into tourney time

SOCCER ROUND-UP
WITH MALCOLM LEGG



By MALCOLM LEGG
Driftwood Contributor

It is tournament time for the Salt Spring Youth Soccer Association and in many respects the best time of the year as the weather is good and the games are fun.

On Salt Spring we have two big tournaments coming up for the youth teams, which will give our association a chance to showcase our teams as well as the soccer program on our little island.

Mini Tourney

On Saturday, April 14 at Portlock Park our Mini program will do its annual wrap up with a fun day of soccer skills, games and events. Coordinators Dick Davidson and Sue Spencer organize a day of fun, fun and more fun for the kids and even provide snacks and medals for all participants. This is a great chance for the parents and public to come out and see the future stars of our association, especially in a fun setting. More details are available on our web site at www.saltspringsoccer.com.

Youth cup

On the weekend of April 28-29 our association will stage its Third Annual Challenge Cup featuring our girls and boys teams from the U-10 through U-18 levels. They will compete against teams from Victoria, Duncan, Nanaimo, Comox, Powell River, Gabriola Island, North Shore, Vancouver and the Fraser Valley, giving the tourney a real showcase of west coast soccer.

Currently there are 44 teams registered in the tourney, but we expect more than 50 to fill out all the groupings. These teams will play at Portlock Park (three fields), high school upper and lower fields, Salt Spring elementary, middle school field and at Fernwood school field. In fact, no patch of grass will be left untouched.

Participants will receive a tourney T-shirt with all our sponsors listed on the back (if you are interested please contact me), and winners receive medals and a trophy. Trophies will be named after our major sponsors, one being Windsor Plywood and the other still to be confirmed, with the boys playing for the Windsor Plywood Cup.

This is a great opportunity for all to see our youth teams compete against some very good teams from the coast in our final event of the season. Not only is the soccer great but the fun atmosphere of

this tourney is what brings these teams back every year to our premier showcase of Salt Spring Stars.

FIFA U20 World Cup Tickets

Our association has sold out its allotment of gold tickets and is busy selling silver (\$144) and bronze (\$123) to the biggest soccer event in Canada this July. Games in our area will be played at Royal Athletic Park, which is being modified to take up to 15,000 fans, with our group teams being Scotland (ranked #2 in the world), Nigeria, Costa Rica and Japan.

We will have the opportunity to see some of the world's greatest youth stars (players who will eventually be on the full world cup teams for their countries) in our backyard, something that may not happen again for many years.

This is the last chance to get the deals on these packages as SSIYA will be returning its leftover tickets by April 15 to the Victoria organizing committee. Tickets will have to be bought on-line after this time, so do not miss out.

If you are interested in getting tickets to a package of games (July 1, 4, 7 and 11), contact me at mlegg@saltspringwireless.com or 537-4970.

SSIYA AGM

With our season wrapping up our AGM is on the horizon — the second Monday in June. We will be actively seeking people to come forward to be on our executive. This is a group of extremely progressive parents who have dedicated their time to developing a great soccer program for Salt Spring youth. Input from new members is not only helpful but also needed to keep the association growing, particularly with the field-turf project in the works. If you have an interest in growing with us and feel you can help, in whatever endeavour in the program, contact me at 537-4970.

U-18 accolades

Finally, a special mention to a group of boys, our U-18 team and coaches Terry Morton and Sue Spencer, as well as manager Kate McEwen, on another fine season as they won their second District Cup final (played on April 1). Their achievements at the gold level with a group of dedicated players, many under age, has been a shining light for our association. Congratulations should go to all on a job well done.

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6 DEATHS

Cecilia Madge Kimball



Cecilia Madge Kimball passed away on March 27, 2007.

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Many thanks to the nursing staff at Lady Minto Hospital, Dr. Ronald Reznick, Church families, her Spanish class, David Kemping, Johnnie Wells, Barry and Betty Pinchin, Cathleen Lucas and many others not mentioned here.

She is survived by daughter Ariadne, son, Tao, foster granddaughter Sharon, granddaughters Kerra and Amber, grandsons Erik and Eban, great granddaughter Patricia, and great grandsons Hudson and Ben.

Until we meet again...

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on April 28, 2007 at the Salt Spring Island Baptist Church.

A celebration of her life will be held on the same day at 2:30 p.m. at Croftonbrook Centre. Due to space constraints, the Croftonbrook portion will be drop-in.

20 COMING EVENTS

FOR A complete calendar of coming events check the Driftwood Community Calendar, in our office in the Upper Ganges Centre, 328 Lower Ganges Road, or on our website at www.gulfislands.net. Use the calendar for event planning and to make sure your date doesn't conflict with someone else's.

Tai Chi Chuan & Qigong
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SPIRITWOOD PRESENTS - Beyond The Secret - A guide to creating your Heart's Desire. With Gail Glode and Deb Brockenshire. Central Hall, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Sunday, April 15. Admission \$10.

SOUNDS OF SPRING offer listener's delight. Annual spring student performance on piano, string, winds. 2 pm, Sunday, April 29. ArtSpring. 537-5131.

ARTS AND CULTURE WEEK is coming! Attend gallery walks, performances and exhibitions in your community from April 22-28. www.bcartsweek.ca.

20 COMING EVENTS

Salt Spring Island Historical Society will present the following programs:

April 11: *Geological History of SSI* - Jack Gunn

May 09: *AGM, Capitaine Paul Bion* - Chris Arnett

All programs are on **Wednesdays 2:00 p.m. Central Hall**
Coffee and tea to follow.
All are welcome!

20 COMING EVENTS

17th ANNUAL AGSSI ADVERTISING DISTRIBUTION

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7 IN MEMORIAM

Kari Dawn Koenen
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so bless the memories within your heart

I won't be far away, for life goes on
So if you need me, call and I will come

Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you, soft and clear

And then, when you must come this way alone
I'll greet you with a smile and say -
Welcome Home

We love you, miss you and will hold you near

Mickey & Ronda

7 IN MEMORIAM

Brian Bleskie
March 19, 1969 - March 29, 2007

Join us for an evening to celebrate Brian's life on **Friday, April 13th** beginning 5 pm at Steffich Fine Art
Potluck snacks and memories welcome

20 COMING EVENTS

SALT SPRING Island Painters' Guild holds its Annual Spring Show and Sale at ArtSpring from April 7th through April 22nd. Open daily from 10 am. to 5pm. New Horizons focuses on new and innovative works. Opening reception is on Tues. April 10th from 7pm to 9 pm. Desserts with beverages will be served. Mingle with the artists and include your vote for the People's Choice Award. Enter the free draw for a framed painting by popular watercolorist Jack Avison.

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This workshop is led by Kevin Steinke, an accomplished black and white photographer who lives on Salt Spring Island. Kevin studied Fine Arts and Art History at UBC in Vancouver, BC.

He taught art history as a sessional instructor for UBC and gave a lecture series on Canadian art for the Vancouver Art Gallery.

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Ganges Harbour Management Plan (GHMP) Seminar
Tuesday, April 24th
10:00 to 2:00 at the Harbour House Green Room.

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32 MEETINGS


Salt Spring Island CONSERVANCY
Annual General Meeting May 11, 7pm
Salt Spring Island Conservancy members are hereby notified of the AGM at the Lion's Hall, 103 Bonnet Ave, off Drake Rd, Ganges, at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2007.
Members will elect new directors for two-year terms. Candidates include: Jean Brouard, Robin Ferry, Jean Gelwicks, Maxine Leichter, Steve Leichter, and Jane Petch.
The Board proposes one motion for membership approval:
1) to set the number of directors at 14 for 2008/2009
Guest speaker Blair Hammond, Canadian Wildlife Service, presents the Federal Ecogifts Program.

Notice of
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Mount Belcher Improvement District

10 am Saturday, April 21
Church Hall,
Our Lady of Grace
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34 NOTICES
CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS
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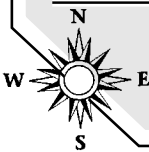
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This Week's Horoscope
by Michael O'Connor

Aries (Mar 21 – Apr 20)

A creative leadership cycle continues. By choice and/or circumstance you find yourself exploring new horizons, people and options. As old beliefs and perspectives draw to a close you find yourself on the brink of the unknown. As it is your nature to be a pioneer you may feel excited; as a human being you may feel a little intimidated. You know that you must be your own person, do your own thing and you need to be strong and brave to fix your resolve to complete the old and move on to the new day.

Taurus (Apr 20 – May 21)

Exploring the inner realms of your mind is an important feature in your movie these days. Oh the drama of it all, life itself, our own life; other people we know and the many we don't. What is it all about and what are your best roles and most meaningful choices of action? These and other such soul searching questions are activating your imagination. Perhaps above all is: what constitutes right vocation for you?

Gemini (May 21 – Jun 21)

Social opportunity verses responsibility is the tug of war in your mind these days. You feel the call to celebrate your originality and imagination and those of others as well. Exploring new talents is a central theme. Are you attending classes or giving them or both? Perhaps a visit to an art gallery or museum is in order. Interior design shows are all over the T.V. but watching is not enough. You want to create and innovate. Your ambitions are beginning to soar again.

Cancer (Jun 22 – Jul 22)

Your leadership mode is in full force these days. However, beyond the common drive for money security, you find yourself looking and perhaps even reaching to higher ground. We are living on a tiny planet in a big universe; what a magical wonder life is when perceived with the perspective of awe and humility. Our busy and important lives filled with duties, responsibilities and goals needs to be seen from a higher plane from time to time. To think that we humans are so insecure that we regularly strategically and mercilessly kill one another and we have come to accept it as normal and even acceptable.

Leo (Jul 23 – Aug 23)

As old structures steadily melt away under the waves of new structures and rhythms you may wonder about it all. Is this process purely a manifestation of your will and choices or is destiny at play? We are actors and the producers and directors are ever busy behind the scenes. Clearing the past may find its biggest expression in your house and home. Blending the old with the new asks that you make choices and keep it simple by going with the flow. This includes acquiring new skills and tools and exercising your talents.

Virgo (Aug 24 – Sep 22)

A transformation of your basic identity and/or mode of expression and lifestyle continues. New relationships and friends have entered your life. You are determined to bring more to your relationships yet you also want to reserve a healthy measure of freedom. Spiritual pursuits continue on the top of your priority list. Your challenge includes overcoming excessive thought, gossip and intellectuality and to quiet your mind more often. Opportunities to heal and to overcome negative habit patterns and to increase your overall state of health are available.

Libra (Sep 23 – Oct 22)

Spring is in the air and this is a wonderful

time for new beginnings of all kinds, especially romantic relationships. Just like the birds and bees, the animals and trees the warmer sun and longer hours of light are re-awakening hearts, passions and desires. Surely you feel the fire and if you have not already you will soon act upon your feelings. Making extra efforts to see and be seen is part of this cyclic plot. Social gatherings beckon where laughter and smiles spark attractions old and new.

Scorpio (Oct 23 – Nov 21)

Taking key initiatives to activate healthy new rhythms in your life continues. Rather than eliminate all those foods you love, perhaps your best approach is to play and get more active. Purging and eliminating is healthy yet too much emphasis on this negative approach can be depressing. Balance is ever the key. For the sake of your career, social standing and your love life this is the time to initiate new rhythms and awaken your passions.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 – Dec 21)

Spring is a creative and inspiring time yet it also implies extra work and clean-up. Cleaning, moving, renovating or all of the above on the home front are likely activities starting this week. You will feel inspired by cleaning the corners and putting things in their place – neat and tidy. There is nothing like the right tool for the job and being able to find it quickly. This cycle will continue for the next six weeks or so. If you have been thinking of moving house, make extra efforts now as opportunity is knocking to create a fresh start.

Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19)

The spirit of pioneering adventure is pumping through your veins. What new conquests beckon? Your energies are rising like the sap and you are ready to face fears and other oppositions. You are still undergoing a rather deep metamorphosis in terms of your priorities and values especially. This means that you are in a good position to entertain alternative perspectives and approaches. Making key investments is also a good possibility. Real estate may be a good option now and so too is nutritional supplements. Explore your options.

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 19)

Gathering new information is keeping you busy now. This momentum will increase starting this week. You are ready assess new options perhaps especially concerning your earning potential. You would like to experience more freedom or at least do work that you can honestly say you love. You can achieve this goal as long as you are clear about what you want, ask, focus, be open to receive and are patient. This is the time to activate your goals by awakening yourself to new visions. In addition to gathering knowledge, outline your objectives, post them so that they remain in your conscious mind and/or make a collage. Co-create your dream life.

Pisces (Feb 20 – Mar 20)

Building upon and strengthening you overall sense of self, identity and expression is now in focus. Fresh spring energies that will help you to break through and initiate new projects are now yours to enjoy and harness. Sharpening existing skills while reaching out to take risks and broaden your scope of influence is the dual task that will bring success. This is a good time to brain storm for ideas and to review your options especially in terms of the market place. Starting new projects and hobbies will also prove inspiring. Spark your interests!

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Trustees welcome newcomers' guide

Islands Trust representatives are confident a new book will help residents shrink their ecological footprints when it comes to building their dream homes in the Gulf Islands.

A Place in the Islands is a response to the region's unprecedented growth and development, said Kim Benson, chair of the Islands Trust, during an interview following the publications release.

The 48-page colour guide includes information on how to preserve and protect the islands' unique ecosystems, fresh water sources, rural atmosphere and wildlife.

Photography and articles from island residents detailing the area's history, use of native plants and home-building techniques give newcomers personal insight on moving to the islands.

The provincial government established the Islands Trust in 1974 as a way to monitor growth in an area surrounded by rapid development.

The guide is another way to let people in on what and why the Islands Trust is meant to do, said Benson.

"Thanks to the amount of islander input, we have created something that will hopefully have a lasting value," she said. "The book has a lot of information for private landowners they may not normally consider."

Copies will be distributed to new property owners through real estate agents, the Welcome Wagon, newcomers clubs, chambers of commerce and conservancy groups throughout the Trust area and the San Juan Islands in Washington state.

Support from community associations, individuals and private businesses helped bring publishing and distribution costs down from \$100,000 to \$30,000, Benson added.

Reference copies are available at schools and libraries and a free electronic version is available on the Islands Trust website.

Financial support for the project was provided through the Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia and the R. Bruce Bedell Conservation Fund of Washington State.

FALL FAIR FOCUS

By Sandy Barclay

Horse Show

This year's Fall Fair Horse Show, September 15-16, will again feature the Battle of the Breeds. This involves six events (Pairs, Trail, Advanced Pleasure, Driving, Jumping and Barrel Racing) over the two days, with each team showing their breed's versatility and ability. If you have three horses of the same breed and wish to compete, get practicing! For more information contact Shane Barclay at 538-1846.

Of course the horse show will have Halter, Flat, Jumping, Western Hunter and Fun classes, along with some new and exciting demonstration events.

So if you are into horses and want to have some great times, come out to the horse show at the 2007 Salt Spring Island Fall Fair.



See you at the fair!

Easter Bunny Winners

Thanks to those who entered our contest.

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CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE — SALT SPRING SUBSTATION TO SANSUM NARROWS

Construction Activities	Proposed Schedule (as of March 2007)
Site preparation - drilling, blasting and removal of debris - installing concrete foundations for new transmission poles	March – May 2007
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