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BACK TO SCHOOL: Accompanied by RCMP Const. Jason Jewkes, Const. Brent Friesen keeps a radar gun aimed at island drivers as students headed back to school Tuesday morning. The local police were out in force covering the island's school speed zones.

Islander killed in Washington crash

'Cat' remembered as vivacious and friendly

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A graduate of Gulf Islands Secondary School has died after a tragic Monday morning car crash

Cathrine Halliwell, 25, died as a result of injuries sustained in a single-vehicle accident on I-5 at 2:45 a.m. in Arlington, Wash.

Trooper Robert Wilson of the Washington State Highway Patrol said Halliwell was riding in the back seat of a 1997 Nissan Pathfinder when the vehicle began to hydroplane and spin out of

"Based on that information, speed was too fast for conditions," Wilson said. "Not necessarily speeding, but potentially driving too fast for [dark and wet] conditions."

Halliwell was the only child of Salt Spring's Marion Banks and Victoria's David Halliwell.

Marlie Kelsey, a former island resident who now resides in Chemainus, said she knew Halliwell as an avid soccer player and all-around positive person.

"This is terrible news," she said.

Halliwell graduated from GISS in 2002.

Nancy Macdonald, the school's principal at that time, remembered Halliwell as a fun-loving, athletic and outgoing student.

"We all knew her as Cat," she said. "She was a really vivacious beautiful girl, friendly and outgoing."

Macdonald, who now works as the assistant district superintendent in the Saanich School District, said her own kids knew Cat quite well but lost touch after Halliwell moved to Vancou-

Doug Pearson, a GISS teacher and soccer of the drifting dinghy. He felt coach, called Halliwell one of the senior girls Scorpions soccer team's star players from that

"The news kind of made my heart stop," he said. "She was really spirited and feisty. You could always see her coming a mile away."

Halliwell continued to play soccer after high for the vessel to drift to shore. school, playing on the Victoria Stars FC when she Hill also felt the office was was 19.

The truck's two passengers were ejected from

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Boat theft prompts marine policing questions

Victim questions security of island shoreline

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

The second major theft of boating equipment in less than a year has a Salt Spring resident calling for better policing of the marine area.

Derek Hill awoke last Thursday morning to see an abandoned dingy and motor drifting in the waters off his Chu-An Drive property. He decided to tow in the inflatable vessel, only to discover his own inflatable boat and motor had vanished.

The theft was especially disturbing to Hill because he lost another motor and \$4,000 in valuables from his sailboat last fall.

"I think this whole side of the island is accessible to unfortunate places like Ladysmith," Hill said.

"I'm looking out here at many square miles of water and basically it's a lawless thing."

Hill's concerns were amplified by the unknown status the RCMP should investigate to see whether an injured person might be inside.

When he called the local detachment, however, an officer said they would wait nonchalant about the theft.

He said that living on an

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Police feel 'low-level' criminals at work

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island surrounded by water, RCMP should have a working vessel ready to go at all times — which has not been the case for much of the past

In a telephone interview later that morning, Staff Sgt. Danny Willis told the Driftwood an officer was currently at the scene to investigate the theft.

But he explained that limited manpower affects the level of resources that can be directed at water patrols.

"Safety is the most important thing, and if someone is in distress or we believe they are in distress, we're going to put all the resources into that we can," he said.

Circumstances dictate how that call would be made, but Willis said seeing someone in a vessel and then not seeing them would be a reason for alarm.

Until recently, the island was without a police vessel, but has now acquired a temporary boat with a permanent one arriving later this month.

"We're surrounded by water, but if there was a thief right there in a row boat we couldn't catch him."

DEREK HILL Theft victim

Willis said around half of the detachment's eight officers have received special training for marine duty.

However, with most of the island's population and property located on the land, the detachment can't often assign officers to conduct water patrols.

The local RCMP receives support from the West Coast Marine Unit, with three vessels operating out of Nanaimo that patrol the waters from Prince Rupert to the Washington border.

The unit can be called in

ters, as well as making its regular patrols.

Willis said while some boat thefts do occur, most burglaries are of motors and items left in unlocked cabins.

"It's a crime of opportunity. If they come across boats that aren't secured or locked up, they're going to take what they can and sell it when they can."

Hill sees that problem as being a much greater threat. When his motor was stolen last year he visited local marinas from Salt Spring to Nanaimo in hopes of finding it.

During his search he heard many rumours of a gang, possibly operating out of Ladysmith, targeting coastal communities.

"We're surrounded by water, but if there was a thief right there in a row boat we couldn't catch him. It really irks me that's all we get for police protection," Hill said.

"They could go anywhere in the world right from my house, but nobody chases them. It's kind of crazy — it promotes lawlessness.'

Willis agreed there have been a spate of thefts up and down the coast, but feels it is more likely the work of low-level criminals than of an organized group. Regardless, he pointed out several ways the community can lend its help.

Recording serial numbers and identifying marks of personal belongings is definitely recommended.

Although new boat motors have a serial number printed on a sticker that can be peeled off, Willis said owners should buy an engraver and use it to put their driver's licence number on items.

This is the most easily tracked information and can connect stolen items back to a legitimate owner.

Willis also asked for more information regarding thefts from boats.

"We rely on the community to tell us what's going on. Without evidence, we can't do anything."



GISS grad remembered as 'friendly and outgoing'

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the vehicle after it collided with a cement barrier, Wilson added.

Halliwell was airlifted from the scene to Seattle's Harborview Medical Centre where she was admitted with life-threatening brain injuries.

The vehicle's other passenger, a 26-yearold Vancouver woman, was transported by ambulance to a nearby hospital for treatment.

Trooper Wilson was unaware of her condition on Tuesday.

The driver of the vehicle, 22-year-old Michael Vinitsky of Montreal, was the She was pronounced dead soon after only occupant wearing a seatbelt at the

time of the crash and he sustained no injuries.

Wilson says drugs or alcohol are believed to have played a role in the incident. Police continue to investi-

Charges of vehicular homicide are a possibility if the driver is determined to have been impaired by drugs or alcohol,



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ENVIRONMENT

Galiano's sponge reef among 'ocean wonders'

Federal government's 'area of interest' overlooks Gulf Islands

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A one-of-a-kind Gulf Islands ecosystem long thought to have gone extinct alongside the dinosaurs continues to have no permanent protection from the impacts of fishing and industrial activities.

In June, representatives from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans named an extensive glass sponge reef located off the province's north coast as an "area of natural interest."

The designation puts more than 700 square kilometres of glass sponge reefs in line for possible inclusion into one of the federal government's six new proposed marine protection aåreas. That's roughly equivalent to an area the size of Toronto

As scientists, conservationists and fisheries representatives await the opening round of community consultation sessions, attention has drifted southward to the Gulf Islands, where smaller, yet equally significant, sponge reefs are without any prospect of protection.

The southernmost such reef in Canadian waters is in the Strait of Georgia, extending from Saturna to Galiano Island. The existence of such reefs in B.C.'s waters was only established by research teams in the late 1980s.

"There's so much we don't know about these sponges," said Sabine Jessen, the conservation director for the B.C. chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society.

The reefs are made of silica, a very fragile quartz-like compound that has taken 9,000 years to accumulate at a depth of approximately 200 metres. Portions of some reefs rise 25 metres above the ocean floor.

In addition to their rarity, sponge reefs offer vital habitat for a wide range of marine animals such as octopi, shrimp, squat lobsters, sea cucumbers, rockfish, ling cod, skate and

"These areas are great at sheltering diversity," Jessen said.

Most of the damage inflicted on sponge reefs is from bottom-contact trawlers working the province's northern waters. Recent marine expeditions to assess the health of B.C.'s northern glass sponge reefs indicate that as much as 50 per cent of the province's reefs have been destroyed.

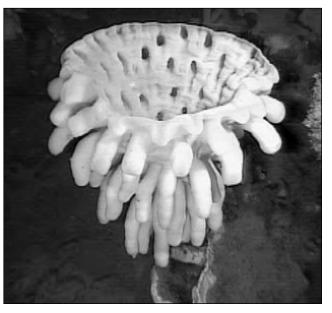
"[Surveys] found damage in the most pristine areas," she said. "It's very easy to see where the bottom trawlers have passed. It's devastating."

Jessen said communities along the Sunshine Coast and



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Scenes from glass sponge reefs in B.C. waters.



near Howe Sound have already begun to mobilize in an effort to protect what's left of their region's pre-historic marine treasures.

"We've been working with local communities and talking to DFO about the need to at least have some protection," Jessen said. "In some ways these are more sensitive to change because they are so much smaller."

Research indicates fishing in the province's southern waters has had minimal overlap on known sponge reef zones. As a result, many of the smaller reefs scattered throughout the area are still in relatively good shape.

"There's so much we don't know about these sponges."

SARINE IESSEN

Conservation director, B.C. chapter of CPAWS

Since fishers haven't traditionally worked in the reef areas, Jessen said, protecting the areas from potential threats will have next to no impact on fishing interests.

"If there's no cost to industry, why not put in closures?" she said.

Prior to interim protection in 2004, voluntary exclusion zones in Hecate Strait proved ineffective in reducing the damage inflicted by bottom trawlers, Jessen said.

She believes further public education and support from Gulf Islands residents can convince planners to incorporate reefs like the one off of Galiano Island into the broader national marine conservation area.

Back in March, trustees representing islands within the Islands Trust federation agreed to forward a motion asking for expansion of the proposed Southern Strait of Georgia National Marine Conservation Area Reserve to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities conference, which begins in Whistler on Sept. 27.

Federal and provincial staffers have worked alongside local organizations to study the feasibility of a marine conservation area in the Strait of Georgia's southern waters for nearly a decade.

Jessen said Canada's failure to proactively protect marine ecosystems has left it lagging behind the world's most successful marine protection advocates such as New Zealand and Australia.

Currently, she said, only one per cent of Canada's oceans are protected under federal legislation.

More information about B.C.'s glass sponge reefs is available by visiting www.cpaws.org.

News briefs

Local fire department stays cautious

Recent rain and cool weather around the province have prompted the BC Forest Service and the local fire-rescue department to allow campfires with permits

Salt Spring Fire Chief Tom Bremner warned, however, the weather's effect on the fire risk rating still needs to be assessed.

"We'll continue to hope for rain to keep it damp and go from there," Bremner said Tuesday.

The department was kept busy over the past week with a number of smoke sightings and fire-related calls, but none resulted in serious matters.

Charges pending in knife attack

A 56-year-old Salt Spring man is facing charges of assault with a weapon stemming from an incident that occurred on Saturday, Sept. 4.

Police were called to the scene of an altercation at

the Thrifty Foods parking lot around 6:15 p.m.

The accused was arrested for assault with a knife against a 44-year-old Salt Spring man.

The investigation is ongoing.

Alcohol is believed to be a contributing factor.

RCMP target school speed zones

Salt Spring RCMP were out in full force outside local schools Tuesday morning to remind drivers that lower speed limits are back in effect.

Const. Jason Jewkes said the morning's work showed good performance by local drivers.

"Actually, people were driving well. They've been abiding by the speed limits," he said Tuesday.

Jewkes reminded drivers to slow down as the RCMP will continue to actively enforce speed limits in school zones throughout the school year.

Trust extends its own TUP

Salt Spring Local Trust Committee members voted unanimously to renew a temporary use permit to allow the island's land-use body to keep its offices in the BC Hydro building along Lower Ganges Road.

The three-year TUP is needed to allow the use of office space in a RL (rural neighbourhoods) property.

According to the province's Local Government Act, TUPs may only be renewed for a single three-year period.

The Islands Trust has applied for two TUPs on the property since moving its offices from Ganges to the BC Hydro site in 2005. Each permit has been subject to a single renewal

A staff report presented at Thursday's monthly LTC meeting at the ArtSpring theatre noted that the Islands Trust has been unsuccessful in its efforts to find an appropriately zoned property for its offices.

Temporary commercial and industrial use permits are issued by local Trust committees to permit a commercial or industrial use that otherwise would not be permitted by zon-



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NEWSBEAT

ISLANDS TRUST

Landmark housing agreement set

Brackett Spring project gets green light

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

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To Vesuvius

Islands Trust and Capital Regional District represents a big step forward for affordable housing on the island, according to trustees meeting at Thursday's Trust committee meeting at ArtSpring.

"It affords us the opportunity to look at the administration of agreements for suites and cottages for other private market housing agreements and affordable housing projects," said trustee George Ehring. "That's why I think it's so important It sets a kind of example."

Acceptance of the housing agreement was among the final requirements for a new 10-unit affordable housing project at 584 Rainbow Rd.

According to the housing agreement, the Brackett Spring development will include a mix of single-family, two-family and multifamily dwellings. Initial rental rates range from \$405 for a single-room to \$1,322 for a threebedroom unit. The project comprises recycled homes moved to the site from Salt Spring and off-

Eligible residents must have lived on Salt Spring for a minimum of one year, have been commuting to the island for at least two years or be considered a "Salt Spring essential worker' involved in emergency services-related work. Successful applicants must have no more than \$100,000 in assets.

The Landbank Society's Neddy Harris said the organization won't be taking names for a waiting list until the project is closer to completion, possibly sometime in the new year.

"We are very excited that the new zoning has been adopted. We are now able to put a number of organizational pieces in place and then focus on the construction portion wholeheartedly for the next

while," she said. "Although the land bank has other housing agreements that we already must abide by, it is fantastic that the island now has a housing agreement that is being administered by CRD. Each case might

be different, but it opens the door to the possibility of affordable housing being regulated to really support local renters who have struggled for years and years with getting stable housing."

"I want to further reflect on how to improve the [affordable housing application]

process."

C. TORGRIMSON IslandsTrustee

Trustee Christine Torgrimson said she hopes government agencies, affordable housing advocates and other community groups and individuals will be able to learn from and improve upon the Salt Spring Island Land Bank application.

'We've heard clearly from housing providers that it's hard to get projects off the ground and so we need to do some problem-solving together," she said.

"I want to further reflect on how to improve the process."

According to a timeline set out in a covenant assigned to the property, the society will develop at least six units within the coming year. Four additional units will be phased-in at two units every two years between years two and five.

The nine-page covenant was drafted to ensure development of the land complies buffer-zone requirements between the Brackett Spring land and neighbouring property, and respect environmental stipulations established during the application process.

Among other things, the document restricts residents from using bathtubs longer than four-feet in length, flush toilets that require more than six litres of water per flush and faucets not equipped with a "low flow restrictor."

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New poll puts Greens in striking distance

May narrows gap to two per cent

FEDERAL POLITICS

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

A new poll released late last week indicates Green Party leader Elizabeth May is within reach of becoming the country's firstelected Green MP.

Poll results show 32 per cent of "decided and definitely voting" voters would vote for May if an election were held today. Thirty-four per cent of voters said they would vote for Conservative Party incumbent Gary Lunn. The Liberals' Renée Hetherington and the NDP's Edith Loring-Kuhanga each garnered 17 per cent of support

Seventy-six per cent of respondents said they definitely intend to vote in the next federal elec-

The results are no surprise to

May, who has spent plenty of time knocking on doors since moving to the Saanich-Gulf Islands riding last year.

"People are enthusiastic about change," she said. "We know we have the momentum. People are excited about the possibilities of voting Green."

She said the recent surge in popularity indicated by the poll is precisely why she chose to run in what has traditionally been the party's strongest federal riding.

"Having the leader of a federal party from a community is seen as something that is a plus," she said. "We think this will make the difference."

May was particularly impressed with the level of support expressed by residents of the Saanich Peninsula, an area she noted as being instrumental in consecutive Conservative Party victories.

Green Party candidate Andrew Aug. 21 and 25.

Lewis received slightly more than 10 per cent of the overall vote in the 2008 federal election.

Calling that year's campaign "anomalous," May attributed the poor result to Liberal Party candidate Briony Penn's Green

The poll further states that respondents feel the environment (11 per cent), homelessness (10.9 per cent) and crime (10.5) rank among the top-three issues affecting their commu-

The poll was commissioned by the Green Party and conducted by Vancouver-based McAllister Opinion Research. Results are based on a telephone survey of 402 randomly selected adults aged 18 and over. A random sample of 405 would yield a margin of error of +/- 4.8 per cent, 19 times out of 20. Interviews were conducted between

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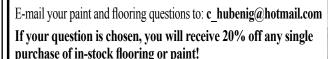




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ISLANDS TRUST

Bubble plan set for hearing

Ratepayers demand accountability

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Talks are set to begin over a proposal to build an indoor tennis facility at the Salt Spring Golf and Country Club after trustees gave first reading to a rezoning application at Thursday's monthly local Trust committee meeting.

"I want to see what the public has to say about this application and that is why I support taking this to a public hearing," said trustee George Ehring.

The applicant, Salt Spring Island Recreational Holdings Ltd., seeks to amend the island's landuse bylaw to permit construction of a single-court indoor tennis

The structure would be built near the golf club's cart sheds, northeast of the clubhouse.

In October 2009, the province's Agricultural Land Commission recommended the non-farm use be allowed given that the land in question is zoned for parks and recreation and will not likely be used for agriculture anytime

Speaking on the applicant's behalf, Bob Rush assured trustees that use of the facility will not be restricted to members of the Salt Spring Island Tennis Association.

"There is no indoor tennis facility available on the island at this time and this would provide a much-needed indoor recreational facility for use during the winter," Rush told trustees at Thursday's monthly local Trust committee meeting.

He said work is underway to draft a written agreement between the SSTA, CRD and Salt Spring Golf and Country Club that will guarantee public access to the facility.

Mike Best, a spokesperson for the Salt Spring Ratepayers Group who spearheaded opposition to an indoor facility at Portlock Park in 2005-2006, contends finalizing such an agreement is necessary before any more taxpayer money is spent on public hearings and agency reviews.

Best said he'd also like to see an "executed agreement from the CRD" that outlines how funds raised through the former Portlock Park tennis bubble and now held by the SSTA will be used to

"Without that, they are spinning our wheels and wasting tax dollars," Best wrote in an email to the Driftwood following Thursday's decision.

The SSTA's "tennis-bubble fund" contained at least \$140,000 in March of 2009.

Best said he intends to meet with Saanich North and the Islands MLA Murray Coell and the Minister of Community and Rural Development to discuss the application.

"We . . . are sending a warning shot over the bow to the CRD again," Best wrote.

Islands Trust staff report that they've received letters of support from Tennis Canada and the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding the project.

The PARC letter, dated Oct. 15, 2008, offers the commission's support for an indoor tennis facility at the golf course "without any further public funding and contingent upon a mutual agreeable written arrangement regarding public accessibility to the new

Trust staff have yet to pick a public hearing date for proposed Bylaw No. 445.

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Here's the line-up of events for the festival put on by the Gays and Lesbians of Salt Spring Island group.

Friday, Sept. 10

7 p.m. to 1 a.m.: Shock-O-L'Art uncensored erotic art show and

party at the Salt Spring Art Salon, & Bistro in Ganges. Tickets at 601 Upper Ganges. Tickets \$15 at the door. Salt Spring Books.

Saturday, Sept. 11

Noon: Participants meet at Mahon Hall parking lot to assemble for 3rd Annual Pride

1 p.m.: Parade starts.

2-4 p.m.: Pride in the Park at Centennial Park in Ganges with Kate Reid and guest speakers.

8 p.m.: Dance at Barb's Bakery

Sunday, Sept. 12

11 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Unitarian Service on We Are Family at Salt Spring Seniors.

Noon: Family Picnic at Ruckle Park, group site #3.

Enjoy pride art shows at Barb's Bakery and TJ Beans.

See this Friday's Weekender paper for the 2010 pride theme

PUBLIC NOTICE

SALT SPRING ISLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Residents within the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District boundaries are hereby advised that:

The Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District Trustees are processing a resolution and application to the Capital Regional District (CRD) and the British Columbia Provincial Government to transfer all responsibility for street lighting on Salt Spring Island from the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District Trustees, to the Capital Regional District.

If you have concerns please forward them in writing to the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District Board of Trustees, 105 Lower Ganges Road, Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2T1, clearly noting on the front of envelope "Street Lighting" by Monday September 20th, 2010.

TENNIS

Tennis to return to Fulford with PARC nod

PARC approves mid-term fix

South-end tennis lovers could be swinging their rackets at the Fulford tennis court before the end of September thanks in part to a \$5,000 donation.

Funds from an anonymous non-resident property owner who lives in the Chicago area will be combined with the PARC tennis court replacement fund to repair cracks in the dilapidated recreation facility.

Commissioners voted last Monday night to spend nearly \$11,000 on a newly developed crack repair technique that will involve filling and covering cracks with layers of a fibreglasslike material.

Parks and Recreation Commission manager Kees Ruurs said the fix is considered a midterm solution and comes with a

Initial estimates for a midterm solution of between five and 10 years were as high as

Complete reconstruction of the court would cost between \$65,000 and \$75,000.

The court is on land leased from the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District.

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NEWSBEAT

COLUMN

Air traffic control: up in the air?

Q. With all the air traffic coming into Ganges Harbour, who controls it? Is there some kind of air traffic controller?

L.S., Ganges

A. There is no single person in charge of monitoring and/or controlling air traffic in Ganges Harbour

However, as president of Saltspring Air, St. Clair McColl, puts it, "We're not all flying around willy-nilly; we are under strict Canadian aviation regulations."

Saltspring Air has opted to have its own in-house "flight follower." Staff track the company's floatplanes from within the Saltspring Air office. However, many other aircraft rely on Nav Canada.

Transport Canada requires aircraft coming or going from Ganges Harbour to carry transponders that allow air traffic controllers at Nav Canada (a non-profit corporation that owns and operates Canada's civil air navigation system) to monitor them as blips on their radar screens. Nav Canada issues advisories to pilots such as wind warnings or their proximity to common hang-gliding areas like Mount Tuam.

Pilots are required to carry two-way radios so they can receive these advisories and communicate with other aircraft. All pilots must monitor appropriate frequencies and transmit their positions and their intentions to other traffic.

Aircraft coming or going from Ganges Harbour operate on "visual flight rules" where pilots rely on sight to choose the best flight path (versus "instrument flight rules" where instruments are used in low-visibility such as cloud cover).

A set path of entrance into



Lisa Cherneff of Saltspring Air.



Amy Geddes

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and departure from the harbour is detailed in the Aerodorome/Facility Directory (an airport rule book), but can be deviated from based on current traffic patterns or weather conditions.

In the vicinity of the Gulf Islands, the layer of control diminishes with altitude. At or above 1,200 feet above sea level, all aircraft must be in contact with Victoria Air Traffic Control. Below 1,200 feet, all aircraft are required to keep a listening watch out on the Air Traffic Frequency, specific to the Gulf Islands.

While Ganges Harbour is no major airport, McColl stresses that, due to overlap with Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo airport areas, the harbour is in fact heavily regulated.

"So in essence," he says, "the Gulf Islands are in a highly controlled area, surrounded by three ATC units that Nav Canada provides air traffic control in which there are stringent regulations controlling the flow of traffic."

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Generic drugs prices in B.C. are dropping now. And by 2012, seniors will pay on average, 40% less on generic forms of prescription drugs such as Lipitor and Altace. It's all part of an agreement between the provincial government and B.C. pharmaceutical associations, resulting in annual savings of up to \$380 million overall.

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LOCAL COMMERCE

Fish farm receives federal funds

R&D project with local company

A Salt Spring based company is one of six in British Columbia to receive funding to support innovation and sustainability in the aquaculture industry.

Sablefish Canada Inc. has received \$200,000 from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to increase environmental performance and energy efficiency in sablefish aquaculture.

Minister of Fisheries and

Oceans Gail Shea announced \$637,678 in funding through the Aquaculture Innovation and Market Access Program in August.

According to press material from the DFO, Sablefish Canada is developing automated subsurface feeding technology to increase the operational efficiency of subsurface feeding equipment for farmed sablefish. The project will develop, install and test the new technology. This project has leveraged nearly \$1.75 million in additional funds.

"The Government of Canada supports the aquaculture industry through AIMAP by helping it develop and adopt management techniques and technologies that enhance the industry's economic and environmental performance," states the press release.

"The results of these projects, as with all AIMAP projects, will be shared with the Canadian aquaculture industry as a whole to assist in furthering Canada's position as an international leader in producing sustainable seafood."

FUNDRAISER

Anglican Church's Music Makers set to benefit Pakistan relief effort

Special event on next Friday

Salt Spring residents who wish to help the victims of disastrous flood in Pakistan can do so at a benefit concert at the Anglican Church on Friday, Sept. 17.

Music Makers of the Anglican Parish will put together the talents of several performers featured during this summer's Music and Munch series and Flower Festi-

The Salt Spring Vocal Quartet, with members Connie Holmes, Lyle Eide, Anke Smeele and Alan Robertson accompanied on piano by Beth Ranney, will perform music "that expresses the eternal yet always fresh and urgent longing for peace and harmony."

The quartet will be joined by musicians David Storm and John Moore, soprano Jean McClure and dancers Robbyn Scott, Sue Newman, Kristen Lewis-Woodruff and Lottie Devindisch.

Carole Scott will read an interpretation of the Garden of Eden and Sue Newman will lead a song and dance routine to If I Only Had a Brain.

Both pieces return after being well received at the Flower Festival.

The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. at All Saints By-the-Sea and includes refreshments at intermission.

Admission is by donation at the door. Tax receipts can be issued for donations of \$20 or more.

NEWSBEAT



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

OPEN CHURCH: Ken and Margaret Mackenzie are seen outside of historic St. Mark's Anglican Church, which held an open house Sunday afternoon.

LADY MINTO AUXILIARY

Rumours 50-50 for Thrift Shop

Auxiliary president clarifies plans and operation

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

RIFTWOOD STAFF

A recent posting on the Salt Spring Community List regarding Lady Minto Thrift Store has only half its facts straight, according to Lady Minto Hospital Auxiliary president Victoria Woodman.

Toby Fouks posted a message on Sept. 1 asking for more information on two rumours, the first being that the thrift store has been giving its proceeds to Greenwoods elder care facility rather than the hospital.

Woodman agreed that Greenwoods is underfunded by the government and that the thrift store has given it a measure of support. However, she estimates "99.9 per cent" of funds raised at the shop are directed to the hospital.

"Lady Minto Thrift Store is primarily to support the hospital. We've always supported the hospital and that's our whole mandate," Woodman said.

The second rumour raised by Fouks is that the auxiliary is looking for a building of its own to purchase. That point is actually true, Woodman confirmed. Although there are no immediate plans, she said the auxiliary does have a building fund in place.

"Since we moved from Mouat's Mall where we were originally, it's just gotten bigger and bigger and it's not big enough."

A future move could allow the store to accept donations more frequently, since the current storage area for new items is small and fills up quickly. It could also allow the store to carry larger items such as furniture.

"We are amazed and delighted at the quality of items that people donate to the store," Woodman said of the current arrangement.

She mentioned that a periodic silent auction initiated by one of the volunteers has been a successful way of showcasing high-quality special finds

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CFSI celebrates birthday number 1

Sept. 14 to feature on-air celebration

BY SEAN MCINTYRE

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Folks at Salt Spring's CFSI Radio plan a full day of on-air entertainment and festivities to celebrate the station's first anniversary on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

"It has been a whirlwind of emotion and activity," said head honcho Gary Brooks. "The first year has gone by like a snap of a finger and hopefully this year I will take a breath and appreciate all that we have accomplished and that which we will accomplish as a community radio station."

Since it took to the air, the station has grown to include more than 60 programmers who volunteer their time and energy to produce a wide variety of shows.

"Overwhelmingly on an island that is known to be an 'argument surrounded by water,' we have been blessed with a very favourable response to our overall onair programming that we have supplied to the listeners," said Bob Simpson, the station's master commander.

"We are very pleased with the point that we have continued to develop local musicians with air play of their music and given Salt Spring Island [residents] the opportunity of airing their views."

Simpson said his greatest memories of year one are the "on location" broadcasts from the Saturday market, Windsor Plywood and Country Grocer.

"On the not so memorable side," Simpson added, "we still lack volunteers who are able to commit to helping out in administration and programming projects.

"A lot of listeners still continue to think that our programming shows are complete, but in fact this is not the case. We still have many selected time slots available."

Simpson said the station's top priority in year number two is to increase the station's signal strength so more islanders can tune in to 107.9 and not have to rely on the station's live stream.

Brooks thanked those in the community who have enjoyed the programming of the station, and to those who have contributed in both programming, administration and financial support.

"We look forward to continued service to Salt Spring Island," he said

While no formal events are planned for Tuesday, Simpson said people can stop by the station at Merchants' Mews to say hello to staff and volunteers.



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EDITORIAL

Take pride

ince it first took to the streets of Ganges three years ago, Salt Spring's Pride Parade has proven itself a strong contender as one of the liveliest and most fun-filled events on the island's busy summer calendar.

It isn't unusual to hear of spectacular pride celebrations in major cities like Vancouver, Montreal, Toronto, San Francisco, but there aren't many towns of 10,000 residents, in Canada or elsewhere on the planet, that figure prominently on the pride circuit.

Salt Spring is one such community. Less than a month ago, a Los Angelesbased online travel service that serves the lesbian, gay, transgendered, bisexual, queer and questioning community listed Salt

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WE SAY:

Step out and stand up

Spring Island as the third-ranked up-andcoming gay travel destination.

The site's owner told the Driftwood the rankings were based on a combination of activities, attitudes and acceptance.

Salt Spring was the only "small town" among the list's top-

five destinations.

Thanks to a committed group of volunteers who work year round to promote acceptance of the island's LGTBQ community, pride on the island has evolved into a three-day, multi-event festival open to everyone, gay or straight.

This year's "We are family" theme is an open invitation to anyone who wants to share in the event's magic.

If past years are anything to go by, organizers of this weekend's event will have little trouble getting everyone in the "family" out for the celebration.

Participants and spectators have always proven themselves to not only be proud of who they are but also confident in the kind of open-minded and accepting community they want to live in.

Ignorance and bigotry may always exist in communities large and small, though this is a weekend for all of us to take a moment, step out, stand up and take pride in a small-town attitude that can offer some pretty big lessons in tolerance.



Funders crucial for Brackett Spring

The Salt Spring Island Land Bank Society is so pleased that the final hurdle to moving forward with the Brackett Spring Family Housing project has been crossed. Thanks to the Islands Trust for increasing the densities.

There are many other thanks to go around.

Above all we'd like to thank Bert Brackett and his kids for hanging in for one year and eight months waiting for us to

When I first met Bert he was enthusiastic that his place would become a home to Salt Spring Islanders who were being priced out of the ability to live here. He valued community and showed a kind disposition to those less advantaged than himself.

It is a real honour to be working on a property where the work is so welcomed and to have this project be Bert's legacy. We will do everything possible to be worthy of his expectations . . . yes, we will bring back the meadow into grass in the not-too-distant future. We will also have a forester direct the thinning of trees to ensure a healthy forest.

We'd also like to thank BC Housing for being open to the idea of using "recycled" houses. Without their openness, this project would have never got past the idea stage. The Real Estate Foundation was the first funder to jump in, giving the project credibility to other funding agencies. Thanks so much to them for the second time they have done that.

Garth Hendren and Henry Kampoff have been our champions to the Regional Housing Trust Fund — much appreciated!

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation has come on board even though our project at first seemed completely outside the box within which they are required to operate. We are so grateful, as the project would not be possible without them.

The Salt Spring Foundation has supported affordable housing

VIEWPOINT

for at least as long as I have been involved. Their steady commitment has made each one of our projects less of a struggle.

Some of the board saw the land bank society's Dean Road house before renovations (yikes), and I'm sure see these current buildings as less of a challenge than what we were up against when we brought that house back from

We were able to take advantage of a job creation program that gives people on EI an opportunity to get work experience and to help a community project at the same time.

Brent Mainprize deserves a medal for our constant postponement with removing a building donation from his property, delaying his landscaping.

We understand that PARC had spent the money earmarked for demolishing at least the great Mouat house. We feel lucky about that, as it ensured their patience in our delays in solidifying the project.

Until this last piece was in place, we have held back from seeking further help from the community. Now we can ask for volunteers and let you know that although we have so many funders, the funding is still very tight and any donations would go directly to the buildings or infrastructure and would not go toward administration.

If you'd like to volunteer for either skilled work, or sanding and painting for less skilled assistance, give us a call. We are also looking for someone to do data entry, using Excel.

We are still open to receive donated buildings and can offer a tax receipt. The Islands Trust has asked that the project be developed in stages, so this will not be the only opportunity to donate a building.

Contact the land bank at 250-931-4663.

The writer is with the Salt Spring Island Land Bank Society.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

THIS WEEK'S OUESTION:

Are you motivated to give to Pakistan relief?

Cast your ballot online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com before

Monday at midnight or clip this box and drop it at our office before Monday at 4:30 p.m.

Are you happy with **PARC's Burgoyne** decision?



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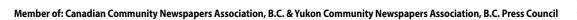
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IslandVoices

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"I'm looking out here at many square miles of water and basically it's a lawless thing."

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section or at facebook.com/gulfislandsdriftwood

DEREK HILL, CHU-AN DRIVE RESIDENT

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: What's the best thing about going back to school?



MARLY PALFRAMAN I'm looking forward to doing math, science, socials and getting white skinny jeans.



MALACHI SAVAGE Math, gym, walking on trails and the skate park.



JUSTINE BOWDEN The fact of being with people again and having a social life.



BRENNA MCINTYRE *I'm going to be going into the* high school so I'm looking forward to having more options in courses and looking into what I want to take part in.

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 350 words or less.

Read and reply to letters online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com under the Opinion tab.



IMINAH AMAL-HILL When I go to Grade 9 (high school) . . . I get to meet more people, older people, sometimes more mature than middle schoolers, which is a new experience.

Letters to the editor

Civil society

Re the Fulford pub closing, there cannot be a civil society without pubs, in which the sin-sick souls of Salt Springers are soothed.

BUD SOLLITT,

Challenge to participate

This is my third year raising support for the Terry Fox cancer campaign and I want to challenge everyone on the island, local or visitor, to help keep Terry's dream alive and help make this year's event a huge suc-

If you are a member of a gym, belong to a fitness group, do yoga or pilates, or if you swim lengths every morning in the pool or do aquasize or are on the swim team; if you're a dragon boater, kayaker, boater, tennis, baseball or

ner or walker . . . why not do your exercise on Sept. 11 with us on Rainbow Road at 11 a.m.? Participate and challenge others to do the

There is no registration fee and you can walk, run or bike five or 10 km to help support this worthwhile cause on Salt Spring.

Do you normally go off island on the weekend or live in the far south or north

Come on into town and join in the fun. And instead of going to church, why not walk in nature and talk with God for a change?

And it is about more than the run.

Come and cheer the rest of us on and support a worthwhile cause. There will be music, food and community spirit.

The way I see it, Terry Fox did his bit and then passed it on to all of us!

Let's all join in and as a community, make this 30th anniversary Terry Fox Run a

day to remember and keep the dream alive.

PATTI FIELD, SALT SPRING

Kudos for choral news

Regarding Elizabeth Nolan's article in the Sept. 1 Driftwood announcing the all new junior choir formed by Debbi Toole and offered through the Salt Spring Arts Academy, I'm sure I speak for the many choral practitioners and choral music aficionados on the islands in expressing admiration and congratulations to Deb and the academy for such a courageous and valuable initiative that offers our young students training in the art and pleasure of singing choral music.

Your brilliant headline: "Junior choir expands Salt Spring's voice" says it all . . . there is indeed an amazingly vibrant choral

and expanding the current voices with new young voices ensures a bright future indeed for the music scene on our island. Starting with award-winning school choirs at all levels, numerous active church choirs, at least three highprofile performing community choirs, varied groups of singers of all ages, all truly provide living evidence of, as it says on the B.C. Choral Federation's poster: Choral Music: a Lifelong Joy!

Welcome, enjoy, good luck and best wishes for a great start go out to the members and their supportive parents of Salt Spring's newest junior choir and conductor Deb Toole.

As if that is not enough exciting choral news, here

Make a note, spread the word that on Saturday, Sept. 25 a choral workshop featuring renowned Edmonton choral director Jim Sparks is happening at the Ganges United Church.

What a special opportunity, open to anyone interested in being inspired to kindle or rekindle their choral muse, to be in the presence of this special and talented choral leader, without having to travel to any big city.

Letters may be edited for brevity, legality and taste. Writers are also asked to furnish a telephone number where they may be reached during the day, and to sign their letters with their full name. Thank you letters will not normally be considered for publication.

> This workshop, like the one on forming children's choirs that Deb attended as referred to in Elizabeth Nolan's article, is provided by the B.C. Choral Federation (not "foundation" as quoted incorrectly in the article).

> For information locally, contact Deb Toole, Shirley Bunyan or myself (ankes@shaw.ca). For any choral links, check out www. bcchoralfed.com.

> Stay tuned for workshop details in the Driftwood and other local media closer to the time.

ANKE SMEELE, BC CHORAL FEDERATION REP FOR VICTORIA/ SOUTHERN

Issue is nationality

Since you mentioned me in the July 7 story about the "outcry" from seniors over the licence suspensions, I can't see until nowadays any plausible reason why this cruel act was done against

When I see day by day so many old Canadian people with very bad physical conditions who are still allowed to drive a car, then I feel very strongly that I was discriminated against as a German.

Once I immigrated to Canada with the consciousness that discrimination would be impossible in this country. But how could I live anymore with that consciousness without a driver licence?

EDMUND DIETERICH, SALT SPRING

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Ditching diversions and returning to wild places

This is my brain. This is my brain on a Pacific Ocean breeze. The Pacific pacifies. is some kind of intense The nonstop droning of the surf soothes the pressure cooker, but things savage beast like nothing else.

Mind you, aurally, the sound is not dissimilar to that found in a Motel Six next to the Interstate, but all that ozone entangled with sea mist and the caterwauling gulls has the opposite effect of air brakes and the industrial tang of diesel fumes. I am on

I have hitched up my shiny Airstream Bambi, strapped on my bike, my laptop, my iPhone, my stovetop espresso maker, my DVD collection, my GPS, and my flatscreen TV and have parked myself at the Beverly Beach Campsite half way down the not-sowild Oregon coastline.

I am in Site F16. The "F" refers to "F-Loop," while the number is the 16th spot on the loop. The loops continue on to "H-Loop." The woods are alive with happy campers.

F16 is a stone's throw from the private showers and washroom facilities. F16 has water and electricity. There is cell phone coverage, but no internet and only three channels on the flatscreen. The horror.

I am cautiously optimistic that the Pacific will pacify and the shiny Bambi will act as a decompression chamber, that the wired-up life on Salt Spring Island will slowly recede with the tide.

creep in — CNN, the Gulf of Mexico, suicide bombers . . . the constant barrage of crises and disasters. I believe I am the consummate lucky bastard for landing on these shores, for finding a way to

make a living, for having a little house a half block from a rocky beach, and having a couple of dogs that have made me walk that beach twice a day for the past 10 years. Still, things creep in.

Recently, there has been a number of studies conducted by major universities to understand and evaluate the benefits of switching off. At the University of California, San Francisco, they found that while rats could quickly process new information and adapt to experiences quickly, it only became retained information (i.e: memory) when the creatures were given down time to process. In other words, a vacation.

The study also infers that given a choice, humans will always choose some sort of diversion over quiet time. You don't need a study to find this behaviour everywhere. I saw a nice young couple having dinner the other day. Waiting for their order to appear, both were in their own digital wonderland,



Peter Vincent

glance across the table. Modern romance. I wonder if they tuck their Blackberries under their pillows.

At North End Fitness, most exercisers have iPods stuck in their ears, their gaze fixed on

one of four flat screen TVs scattered around the gym, the piped-in music little more than background noise, like the Pacific. In bank line-ups, I find myself absentmindedly reaching for my iPhone to check for

Not that this is so bad. The digital tools in my arsenal have made my life richer and my days flow through easier. The problem is being able to sift through the torrent of information and to allocate necessary down time to embed the little pearls in the recesses of memory somewhere. Is it really that important to know how many trysts Tiger Woods managed to juggle in the midst of matrimonial bliss? Is it important for us to follow the daily treatments of Michael Douglas' throat cancer?

The vacation is to separate the nonsense. The vacation is to vacate, as the Pacific is

Does it work? Can you achieve the same

on their smart phones, texting, end by sticking in a pair of ear buds and checking emails, Facebooks pounding away on a Stairclimber for an ... with not a word or even a hour? Apparently not. The University of Michigan concluded that people can learn better after a walk on the beach than after a stroll down a busy street. The same study indicates that all that short-term diversion will actually assault the brain and compromise its ability to focus on an idea. We now have empirical evidence to argue the obvious.

> I have moved down the coast from Beverly Beach, now in the dark recesses of Del Norte Redwood Park. No TV. No cell coverage. No hook ups. Just me and the infernal yammering of the camp squirrels. This is what is referred to in the addiction centres as "cold turkey." I have opened discussions with nearby campers, drawn to the shiny Bambi as moths to a flame. I lost my iPhone for 12 hours. The bagel toaster sits on the shelf as a silent testament to a place without electricity.

> I am making my way further and further south, eventually to end up at a hillside campsite in Big Sur — something of a pilgrimage to the place where the great American author Henry Miller wrote some of his greatest novels, walking along the wild coastline of Big Sur, listening to the Pacific.

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A Drop-In Community Open House Our New Library - The Redesign

What Day? Friday, Sept 10, 2010 What Time? 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM Where? The Existing Library

You are invited to see the final drawings for what is to be built. Board members and staff will be there to answer your questions.

Unable to attend but still interested? Information on the redesign is available at the library's web site http://saltspring.bclibrary.ca

OPINION



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

LOTS OF FANS: Mia August Hooper sells parasols and fans in the Saturday market in Ganges.

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Celebrate 30th run

Thirty years ago, after losing a leg to cancer, Terry Fox set his mind to run a marathon (42.2 km) a day across Canada to raise awareness and funds for cancer research. His courage and determination then continue to inspire millions of us today.

Salt Spring Island is one of over 4,130 run sites in 51 countries that

have an annual run as a fundraiser for cancer research and to celebrate the short life of Terry Fox.

It is important to remember that the Terry Fox Run is not a race. People can run or walk at any pace, bikes and strollers are part of the fun and it is the participation that really counts. For us personally, the group exhilaration of people focusing on completing a course within their individual capabilities and the sense of well being from improved fitness levels are important aspects of cancer prevention.

The event is on Sunday, Sept. 12 at Salt Spring Elementary School. Registration starts at 10 a.m. with the run itself starting at 11 a.m. There is a nine-km run, a five-km walk/run and a one-km kids course as well as good food, T-shirts and music. This is the only road run we have on Salt Spring Island, so let's kick it up a couple of notches.

Folks and everyone, young or old, thick or thin — join us to celebrate Terry's 30th anniversary!

RICK AND JULIETTE LAING, SALT SPRING

Valdy fan

Thanks so much for **ELIZABETH MAY**,

to Valdy on the occasion of his 65th!

I have been a fan for as long as I can remember, and I do remember first reaching out to him for help on an environmental issue back in the 1970s. He is one of those wonderful artists who allows his voice to be used in the cause of wilderness and a better world.

I was so sad to have missed his birthday party, but had a wonderful surprise visit in early August. My daughter and I had boarded VIA Rail in Vancouver headed for Toronto. On the last leg, through the seemingly endless boreal forest of northern Ontario, we were sure we had met everyone on the train. Imagine my surprise when I caught sight of Valdy in the dining car! He had boarded in Armstrong, Ontario — a remote spot for those seeking wilderness hunting and fishing lodges. The conductor was so thrilled (he was another big Valdy fan) that various treats were offered free of charge. We rode in style, sharing meals and stories all the way to Toronto.

Belated birthday greetings, Valdy!

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If in the past you sponsored, supported or worked with Phyllis Waltho, then this is the year to join her as she will be there on Sunday, Sept. 12. See you there. This is the year to do it.

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Super Pod visit to Bold Bluff causes whale-sized excitement

BY TAMAR GRIGGS

We were treated to an amazing experience in the wee hours of Sept. 1.

I sleep out on the covered porch in Auntie Avis' four-poster twin bed wrapped in a luxuriant mosquito net every night for four to five months of the year. I'm in and out of dreamland — listening to the seals slap the ocean at night, the owls hoot, the river otters run on the dock and squabble, the tugs going by and the waves lapping the shore. Even the heron squawks at weird hours in the night.

At 1:30 a.m. on Sept. 1 I woke up to what sounded like waves rolling onto the shore of Vancouver Island across Sansum Narrows. I sat up. "Daisy, are those whales?" I asked my dog. No waves crashed into my cove, so it definitely wasn't waves. Whales!

I leapt out of bed, put on my gumboots and fleece robe, and raced to the garden cottage without a flashlight, banging on my Bold Bluff Retreat guests' bedroom door.

"The whales are here. Hurry! Get up!" I yelled. Jeanette thought I said, "The house is on fire!"

They had just arrived from Seattle that evening and have been here every year for over 10 years, making Bold Bluff the "centring place for their hearts," so I felt at ease startling them from a deep sleep.

We ran to the dock in our PJs and listened, not daring to speak or break the magic. Even Daisy sat quietly on her haunches, listening to their blows. I kid you not: there was non-stop breathing for over an hour, travelling north. This was no tiny transient pod — it was the residents of the San Juan Islands and the Southern Gulf Islands. Usually you will hear the whales breathe for awhile and then there will be long minutes of silence when they dive. That night as we listened there was no silence. How many

whales were there? They slapped the water with their flukes or flippers in the midst of their breathing. Waves from their playing or feeding lapped our dock!

After they left, Daisy went nuts chasing the river otters who were hiding under the dock as the whales went by. She sniffed the planks and barked wildly. Two made a splash and swam under the open "aquarium." I doubt that they were afraid of the whales, because these resident whales eat only fish— mainly Chinook salmon.

All was quiet again. We gazed up at the starry sky and wondered: Who is that bright planet in the sky? Is it Venus? Jupiter? Mars? Jeanette ran to the cottage to fetch her iPhone, which has the night sky on it with all the stars from where you stand. Phoebe, age 11, knew exactly how to find the sky above Bold Bluff. It was Jupiter, which has four visible moons seen from a 20X scope.

Back at my house, we marvelled at Jupiter's four moons, named Io,Europa, Ganymede and Callisto — after Jupiter's lovers, daughters or conquests. Jupiter has 63 known moons, the largest retinue of any of the planets in our solar system.

Later I discovered that the whales were probably Super Pod, all 87 southern residents from the J, K and L Pods. A new calf, L115, was spotted on Aug. 13 with mom L47, Marina. Her last four calves have died within their first month, which is especially heartbreaking as the southern residents are an endangered species. The newborns are not named until they survive a year, which tells of the high mortality of babies.

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The writer lives at Bold Bluff.

RANTS & Roses

Mustard- and relish-coloured roses to everyone who bought a hamburger in support of the Terry Fox Run. Also shopping cart loads of roses to Country Grocer for the burger spot in your car park and for all your help. The Terry Fox Committee

Dozens of sweet fragrant roses to Chris Morrisette, the Chamber of Commerce, Mouat's Home Hardware and BC Hydro for your assistance with the banner for the Terry Fox Run. Your help and generosity is greatly appreciated. Hope to see you all Sept. 12 at the event! (Run/walk/bike — come!) Thanks again. The Terry Fox Committee

Pails and shovelfuls of roses to Mark and everyone at Lakeside Gardens Resort for generously hosting another successful summer of Paddle and Play. Your idyllic spot on St. Mary Lake was enjoyed by all the families who attended. We hope to see you again next year!

Roses to the school district summer cleaning and grounds crews for getting Fernwood School ready for another great school year!

A dozen of the largest sunniest yellow roses to all the wonderful people of Salt Spring Island. Especially to Al, who shared his tickets to the Adrian Iaies Trio, Isabelle and the shared Rocky Horror Show experience, Kelly for his cooking secrets, the young man who repaired my bike chain on Upper Ganges Road and to the many car drivers who pass cyclists safely on this island's narrow windy roads.

A floury bouquet of roses to the staff at Pomodoro Pizza. After a very tough day, how delightful it was to see the handwritten message on the inside of the box! Not only was the pizza delicious, it was "made with love." Only on Salt Spring. F and MA

China roses to Carol, Stephanie, David, Cam and Stephen — five wonderful tai chi instructors who so willingly volunteer their time and expertise in teaching us this wonderful and life-enhancing art. You are greatly appreciated.

A big bunch of salty roses to Aaron and the crew on the Queen of Nanaimo for sharing your watchkeeping secrets! May your wake never be as snaky as ours. The Pomodoro gang.

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PASSENGER: Eight-year-old maltiepoo Missy heads back to Langley with her driver, Mark Mansfield, after enjoying a tour of Salt Spring.

GRIEF PROGRAM

Grief recovery sessions slatéd

Fall program starts Sept. 21

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

The passing of a loved one is an event that deeply influences a person's life, and while eventually it happens to everyone, only those who have experienced it can truly understand those depths.

For many years Salt Spring's Grief Recovery Program has offered a place where people can work through their emotions. Trained facilitators who have themselves experienced a loss help participants understand the stages of grief and share their feelings together.

While some people may feel grief is a private matter, having qualified help can be crucial, as author and educator Linda Kavelin Popov learned.

Kavelin Popov was trained as a psychotherapist and is the co-author of several books that blend spiritualism and self-help. She co-founded the Virtues Project along with her brother John Kavelin and her husband Dr. Dan Popov.

The organization has been honoured by the United Nations and gained the support of Oprah

Yet despite her extensive training in the area - she once designed mental health programs for U.S. teens and is the president of Salt Spring's Bessie Dane Foundation — Kavelin Popov was devastated by her own experience of loss when her brother John died of brain cancer in July 2009.

Describing herself as his colleague and best friend as well as his sister, Kavelin Popov suspended her other work to care for her brother during

"This person who was such a huge part of your life is gone. They're here one minute and then they're gone," she said.

"So when he died — even though we had plenty of warning — it was just like this huge cavern opened up inside me. And it was really hard."

Kavelin Popov is a member of the Baha'i Faith, which promotes ideals such as the unity of all religions, universal peace, and the elimination of prejudice and inequality. Her strong spiritual beliefs, which include the idea of reincarnation, also did nothing to assuage her grief.

"Having a strong faith is helpful, but even that . . . you can feel as if it was deserting you."

As the president of the Bessie Dane Foundation, Kavelin Popov has long been involved with helping others come to terms with dying and death. The purpose of hospice is to provide support to individuals, and their families, who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness. Patients are offered a range of services to improve their quality of life while they are still alive, including emotional

and spiritual elements. The services continue for families dealing with death and bereavement. Kavelin Popov said the grief recovery program is one of the most important services hospice offers.

The program runs twice a year for six weekly sessions. Typically people join around six months after losing a loved one, though even years afterward the healing can benefit those who need

Participants learn simple tools for coping and about what helps and what doesn't. Breaking into smaller groups allows people to share personal experiences more deeply.

"I found it really a safe place to share my whole experience — all the faces of grief that I'd been going through," Kavelin Popov said.

"I got to be really close with the other participants. We laughed a lot, cried a lot. It really, really lightened the burden of grief."

Kavelin Popov was so moved by her experience she is now working on a book based on the grief journal counsellors encouraged her to keep. Her title is Slow Miracle: Healing through the Journey of Grief.

While that journey is ongoing — like an amputation, you never get over a death, you just get used to it, Kavelin Popov said — beginning the process is extremely important.

"So many people who are grieving isolate, and our hope is people will reach out for the help that is there. There are so many volunteers here that are wonderful and compassionate."

The next grief recovery program runs from Sept. 21 to Oct. 26, Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. at Croftonbrook Lounge. For more information or to register, call Barbara Dams at 250-653-4945, Pam Berry at 250-538-0949 or Rhema Cossever at 250-537-2998.

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Arts& Entertainment





OTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

ALL **ROUND SOUND:**

One-man band Shane Philip entertains Saturday market-goers, and promotes his show at Beaver Point Hall that same night.



Who reads us?

88% of Islanders read the Driftwood each week. -Combase survey

Denz show opens at Starfish

New explorations and multi-dimensional pieces

A solo show by Salt Spring artist Stefanie Denz opens this Friday, Sept. 10 at Starfish Gallery and

Denz creates unique portraits and non-figurative landscapes. Her paintings sing with life, from her delightful series of couples dancing on the decks of BC Ferries, to her beautifully observed, motion-filled landscapes.

'Showing an entire repertoire of works by a single artist offers an opportunity to really get to know the work, without the juxtaposition that comes from a group show or regular gallery setting," said gallery owner Andrea Collins. "As a long-time fan of Stefanie's work, I am thrilled to be giving the space over to her for this exhibit of new works."

The show at the Grace Point Square gallery opens with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. this Friday and runs through Oct. 10.

As press material explains, Denz takes her paintings out of two dimensions, delving into architecture and perspective.

"I sometimes incorporate found materials, the surface being another thing with its own integrity to have relationship with," she said. "My paintings are figurative and architectural and often dreamlike with family members in archetypal scenarios."

These explorations are evidenced in one of her new works, Blue Room, featured in the Starfish Gallery show. A multi-faceted piece, the painting incorporates steel and wood, and employs a shifting array of perspectives to

create an interior space that feels more like a depiction of a room within the artist's imagination than a representation of physical

"Painting gives me a deeper view of the events that build my life. Events such as childhood, family, landscapes — both natural and cultural — I paint in order to reflect on these as a mother and woman artist."

Denz attended the University of Victoria, obtaining an honours degree in painting. Following that, she earned an MFA from the University of Auckland on full scholarship. She has exhibited throughout the Pacific Northwest and her work has been shown in solo and group shows in the U.S., Canada, New Zealand and Europe. She has won several awards, including two Canada Council grants. Her work is held internationally in private collections.





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Kids and water toys — a summer natural. **PHOTO BY HANS HAZENBOOM**



Morning coffee up on the mountain near Rock Creek, B.C. on summer holidays. **PHOTO BY ERIN FAWCETT**



Running from the surf on the Oregon coast with dad. **PHOTO BY PERRY RUEHLEN**



Relaxing with a book on a Roland Road property. **PHOTO BY MARCIA KENDALL**



Fun in the water at Vesuvius Beach. **PHOTO BY RAMONA LAM**



Paddling at Annette Inlet, Prevost Island. PHOTO BY ANNE FEARON-WOOD



Young Robbyn Dixon asleep with her dog MoJo. **PHOTO BY MEGHAN MACFARLANE**

PHOTO CONTEST

The photographer's two-year-old daughter Marly at a beach near Seaside, Oregon. **PHOTO BY JILL MAYNARD**

Driftwood photo contest

Summer never lasts forever, but the Driftwood's first Summer Photo Contest aimed to help us remember the summer of 2010 a little longer. From more than 200 entries, we picked the photo of the blonde girl at the beach (at right) by Jill Maynard as the winner, with the rest of the photos on these pages as our finalists. Maynard wins a Nikon COOLPIX P90 camera and bag from Apple Photo in Ganges. Thanks to everyone who entered!



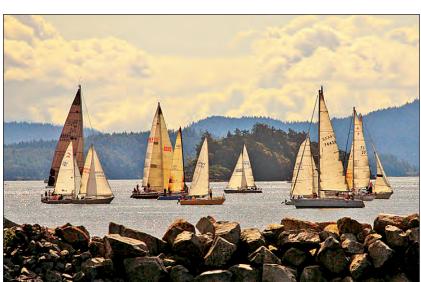
A salmonberry — a sure sign of early summer. **PHOTO BY CHAS BELKNAP**





Willem Burnaby on the beach of Chad Island, a 20-minute boat ride from Fulford Harbour. **PHOTO BY AINA YASUE**





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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Island basket makers impress as ArtCraft's season nears end

100 Mile Basket show continues through Sept. 18

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

The 100 Mile Basket is the theme for Art-Craft's final showcase exhibition of the year, but most members of the Basketry Guild stuck even closer to home in their hunt for raw materials.

Featuring new functional, decorative and even sculptural woven art pieces, the show is a delight both for the fine product and for the many artists sharing in the last of the season's limelight.

Donna Cochran is an accomplished craftsperson who can turn her eye — and hand — to any number of styles, both contemporary and more traditional. Storm Warning is a fresh-looking piece in lavender, blue. deep blue and natural reed. Like a large vase, it tapers in just slightly as it rises from a rounded base. With its zigzag pattern and fun colours the basket is wonderfully playful — useable

Cochran's small birdhouses show another



Viewers check out the beautifully-woven baskets on display at ArtCraft.

Cochran's piece My Old

together and set with

Pavepol finish to create

a rigid box without lid,

but complete with belt.

focuses on the sculptural

with River. A paper bag

base is transformed with

paper and paint collage

in blue and white, along

with a stream of copper

foil gold fish. Inserted

bag's upper edge are tall

bunches of dried river

Random Basket is a

loosely woven organic

shape made from dried

vine and cord, coloured

a deep charcoal. In

contrast to her more

detailed conceptual

work, this piece seems

to show Thompson's

Joan Carrigan's Curly

Willow Nest is another

example of an organic

earthy abandon.

watery scene below.

side of her creativlooking form, though ity. Woven from smoked her loosely woven basket reed and sea grass, and of delicate fibres calls to thatched with long pine mind a large but fragile needless, the small sea creature. Spring to houses resemble large Life is more sturdy in its pine cones themselves. being, rising up and out from a narrow cherry Looking so much a part of nature, there is a wood base. Willow bark delight in knowing the provides a soft layering human hand has crebetween strips of narated this marvel. row willow fibre.

Debbie Magnusson In a creative and funny approach to using mateof Eagle Ridge Baskets rials found at home,

Blue Jeans is exactly that ... the show is a — with strips woven delight both for the fine product Melanie Thompson and for the many artists sharing into a seam around the in the last of the season's limelight. grass, waving over the

> also takes on a wide variety of styles with expert handling. Honeysuckle belongs to the big, loose category, with lots of space between the vines. The large basket is shaped like a coracle and could be a cradle for a child who has been stolen by the fairies.

Kinetic Basket is a

smaller but of similarly loose design, woven from Harry Lauder's Walking Stick (a deciduous shrub). A string of dried eucalyptus leaves is threaded across the centre of the rim, giving off a faint aroma. On the highest angle of the edge, a dried dragonfly

is just visible. Judy Goodman's On My Way to the Barn could be subtitled the 100-yard basket. Her collection of materials found along the way is woven in cross sections on a framework of an old broken basket, and the effect is a magical combination of different textures and looks. Goodman's fruitful walk has managed to turn up cedar, iris and day lily leaves, dyed reed, recycled plastic and sisal bands. The large basket could also be a cradle, rocked by the dissecting arbutus branch arm.

Maggie Squires of Art Matters weaves dried kelp bulbs and other seaweed into various pieces, some small and decorative, others surrounding glass jars for use as a vase or a storage. She has a loopy style in her weaving that magically suggests the undulation of the seaweed while still under water.

Kelly Wilson's functional baskets are solid examples in thick willow. Dyed in natural tones of a mossy brown, deep brown and russet, the colour combinations are subtle and harmonious, while the baskets themselves are rugged enough to use for daily purposes.

Carol Dodd has some small and delicate examples of basket craft, including one in a lovely pattern woven into the dved red cedar and natural Scirpus americanus (chairmaker's bulrush). The effect is a rippling geometric floral.

Nora Layard has some fun with the theme in her Fantasy Light. The metal screen candle lantern is made mainly of leftover in-floor heating materials, laced through with thin bamboo supports, and topped with a copper wire handle.

It's hard to believe ArtCraft is almost over for another season, but not to worry — it continues along with the basketry showcase through Sept. 18. The Salt Spring Arts Council and staff should be congratulated for their innovative exhibition design this time around, taking the showcase right into the main floor and juxtaposing diverse folk arts together for mutual advantage.

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ART GALLERIES

Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Art celebrates first year with special event this Friday

Open house runs all day

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

One year after opening their cooperative artists' gallery, the founding members of the Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Art are celebrating a successful venture with a whole stable of newly joined participants.

Dee Tessman, a painter and one of the original seven members, said the year has provided some good lessons on the business of running a gallery on Salt Spring. It has also seen countless examples of community support for the project, including help from commercial gallery owners such as Matt Steffich and Razali Wahab.

"It feels like there's a place in the community for a gallery featuring emerging artists," Tessman said, noting that membership has increased to 12 regular members over the course of the summer. For her and many others, the cooperative gallery is the right place to explore and grow.

"This is such a good learning experience — how do you present yourself professionally, but still push yourself and not just crank out the same old thing," Tessman said.

"It's been a real kick in the pants to focus on what you want to say, what you have to offer that's different than anyone else, because everyone has a voice."

Jennifer Quick is a beaded jewellery artist who has been exploring her creative side for the past year and a half. Joining the gallery's new fancy bead group in early June, Quick said the experience has been welcoming.

"It's a great group of people to work with, and I also think all the people that began the gallery have done a fabulous job with the building, so it's kind of an ideal space," she said.

Quick also said the diversity of the work makes the gallery special, something that visitors notice immediately.

A recent addition to the gallery himself, Bob Rogers appreciates the gallery's willingness to include fine art photography among its work, since the art form is still finding its popular acceptance as more than something just anybody with a camera can create.

Having his photographs on display within the fine art setting is clearly a motivating factor, therefore, but for Rogers the real benefit of membership is the other members.

"The relationship with the other artists is invaluable," Rogers explained.

"You can exchange ideas, work out new things, get critiques. It's the sharing of knowledge and resources that we need."

Having joined at the end of August, Virginia Midgett is the gallery's newest member and has not yet had a chance to work with the other artists. As a veteran of the Saturday Market in the Park, she's looking forward to exploring the fine art side of her jewellery more fully.

"I'm really excited about joining the gallery — I think it will be great exposure for me," Midgett said. She explained that products destined for the market have to be completed in a short time, but with her gallery pieces she can spend one or two days creating major and unique works.

Rachel Vadeboncoeur is another new addition to the gallery, well known locally

for her innovative glass panels and sculptures. One of her larger pieces is currently installed at the Hastings House outdoor sculpture garden, but she said being part of an artists' cooperative has always been in her plans.

"It's nice to have a venue in town," Vadeboncoeur said.

"I'm hoping more and more locals will bring their guests around — this place has changed quite a bit and it's good to know 'the art in the heart of Salt Spring,'" she quipped.

Kathleen Horsdal, like Vadeboncoeur, is an established island artist, whose sculpture often engenders dialogue and discussion

She joined the gallery precisely for its cooperative nature, explaining that to her, "having a variety of styles and a variety of life experiences" behind every sculpture and painting is fascinating. And with the gallery's low commission and the artists themselves acting as salespeople, everyone becomes an ambassador for each other's work.

"It's all about education. That's exciting because [art] should be dynamic, never static," Horsdal said.

"Having artists merge together to show their work, there's something different about it. You feel a palpable difference."

To present the uniquely supportive environment of the cooperative space, and to celebrate the first year of bringing their fine art to the community, the gallery is hosting an anniversary open house on Friday, Sept. 10.

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MUSICAL THEATRE

Large local cast anchors Porter revue

Visually stunning production runs this weekend only BY ELIZABETH NOLAN DRIFTWOOD STAFF

ArtSpring's stage will be transformed this weekend with the high glamour of the 1930s and the "spectacular, witty and sophisticated genius" of Cole Porter for Linda and Cole: A Love Story.

Playing at Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m., the original show was

established as an audience favourite when Dickens & Co. producer Maureen Chernick first premiered it in Arizona.

Now living part time on Salt Spring, Chernick thought this the perfect time to introduce local audiences to the classic cabaret-style revue, which features many of Porter's great songs set against a dramatization of his life during the culturally rich period of the 1930s and '40s.

Fantastic period costumes and set design make the show visually stunning, but that's all just backdrop for the audio thrills in store.

Audiences will "listen to the love songs [Cole] wrote for his wife, Linda, and follow them through their first meeting, lavish parties, her death and the journey to



The cast of the Cole Porter show.

the end of his illustrious life," reads press material.

The talented cast of 18 local performers, featuring Sue Newman as Linda and Ken Lee as Cole, will perform 17 of Porter's most well-known songs, including: De Lovely, Night and Day, What a Swell Party This Is, Begin the Beguine and Just One of Those Things. The songs are performed to full recorded orchestral arrangement, with dances choreographed by Newman.

Having two hats on is always a challenge, Newman process has been both fun and

said, but the rehearsal process has been both fun and rewarding.

"It's been really interesting delving into the lives of

these people. The music is really the highlight of the show, but it's been fascinating to learn more about the man who wrote these songs."

Newman also had good things to say about Dickens

& Co., whose founders have brought considerable show biz experience with them to Salt Spring.
"They're such wonderful people — really colourful

"They're such wonderful people — really colourful and energetic, and really gracious," Newman said.

The Salt Spring production of Linda and Cole: A Love Story will benefit animal rescue. Tickets (\$20 for adults and \$15 for students and seniors) are on sale now at ArtSpring.

MUSIC

Simply Organic returns with Don Conley

Every third Wednesday of the month

Lovers of music for the pipe organ will be happy to learn that Music Makers of the Anglican Parish are bringing back the popular event affectionately known as Simply Organic.

For many years, the late Barry Valentine played weekly recitals on the organ at All Saints, where music lovers came to appreciate

the enormous repertoire and versatility of the instrument, while at the same time enjoying the ambiance and acoustics of the church and the convivial atmosphere of conversation, coffee and a freshly baked muffin to boot.

The parish is thrilled that organist Don Conley has agreed to play a short recital on the third Wednesday of the month during the winter.

Conley is known as a recog-

nized leader in liturgical music within the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Vancouver, among many other musical accomplishments.

The first Simply Organic with Conley will be on Wednesday, Sept. 15 at 10:10 a.m. in All Saints, followed by coffee and a muffin and a chance to enjoy Conley's company and delightful sense of humour. The music is free, the refreshment is \$2.





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Wed. September 8

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jacquest.

Live at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Open Stage.

With Stephanie Rhodes at Moby's Pub. 8 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Salt Spring-B.C. RCMP History. SS Historical Society presentation at Central Hall. 2 p.m.

Pride Parade Dance Rehearsal. Learn mob flash dance routine for Pride parade. GISS dance studio. 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Stitch Dimension Quilt Guild. Initial meeting of the year. New members welcome. SSI Baptist Church (rear door). 7 to 9 p.m. Info: stitchdimension@gmail.com

September 9

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Dan Howlett & Andrew Poirier. Live at Shipstones. 7 p.m. David Ross McDonald.

Live music at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Open Mic.

At The Local. 6 to 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Pride Parade Dance Rehearsal. See Wednesday listing.

September 10 September 11

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Peter Prince CD Celebration. Multi-musician concert to mark Pacific Day CD at Fulford Hall. 8 p.m. Norris Clement.

Jazz at the Harbour House lounge. Mike Demers.

Live at Shipstones. 7 p.m. Planet Music.

Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m. The Left.

Live music at Moby's. 8 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Our New Library - The Redesign. Drop-in community open house. At the library. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Shock-O-L'Art.

Uncensored erotic art show and party at the Salt Spring Art Salon. 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Cole and Linda, A Love Story.

Musical revue featuring the music of Cole Porter and the story of his life and the love of his life. A Dickens & Co. production at ArtSpring. 7:30 p.m.

Salt Spring Lantern Festival. Annual procession of performances and

art begins at Centennial Park. 6:30 p.m. The Left. Moby's Pub. 8 p.m. Sweetwater & Co. Jazz at the Harbour

House lounge. Julia Beattie. Live at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

The Deckchairs. Live music at Shipstones. 7 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Third Annual Pride Parade. Starts at 1 p.m. from the Mahon Hall parking lot. **Pride in the Park.** With Kate Reid and guest speakers. 2 to 4 p.m.

Pride Dance Annual rockin' dance at Barb's Bakery & Bistro. 8 p.m. Icebreaker Tournament.

Soccer event for kids aged 4 to 8, and soccer registration forms for all ages. Portlock Park. 10 a.m.

September 12

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Creaking Tree String Quartet. Juno-nominated B.C. group performs at Fulford Hall. 7 p.m.

Salt Spring Chamber Players. Part of the Summer Concerts on the Lawn series with gourmet picnic lunch at the Hastings House. 1 p.m. (pick-up lunch at 12:30-12:45 p.m.) Reserve at 250-537-2362.

Cole and Linda, A Love Story. See Saturday listing, except start time is 2 p.m.

Live Jazz.

TBA at Moby's. 7 p.m. KC Kelly.

Folk music at the Harbour House lounge. 7 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Terry Fox Run.

Walk, run, bike, ride for the 30th anniversary of the Terry Fox Run. Salt Spring Elementary School. Registration at 10 a.m., with 11 a.m. start.

Islanders for Self-Government. AGM at Community Gospel Chapel.

Sun. September 12

ACTIVITIES

Pride Unitarian Service.

We are Family theme at SS Seniors. 11 a.m. **Pride Family Picnic.**

At Ruckle Park group site #3. Noon to 4 p.m.

September 13

ACTIVITIES

Chefs Across the Water Dinner. Chefs Jean-Francis and Alessandra

Quaglia from Provence Marinaside and Provence Mediterranean Grill in Vancouver. Hastings House. Partial proceeds to local abattoir fund. Info/ reserve: 250-537-2362. www.hastingshouse.com

Tues. September 14

ACTIVITIES

CFSI One-Year Anniversary.

On-air entertainment and festivities at 107.9 FM to mark the radio station's first year.

SSI Transportation Commission.

Meeting in the PARC portable. 4 to 6 p.m. Public welcome.

Texas Hold'em Poker.

Hosted by Heather at The Local.

Market in the Meadow. Tuesday farmers market next to United Church. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

September 15

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jacquest.

Live at the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Simply Organic.

Don Conley performs free organ recital at All Saints. 10:10 a.m. followed by muffin & coffee for \$2.



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EXHIBITIONS

- Portrait of a Painter 40 years of Self Portraits. Exhibition by Nicola Wheston opens at ArtSpring on Wednesday, Sept. 8, 6 to 8 p.m., continuing daily to Sept. 17. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Starfish Gallery & Studio will be showing New Works by Stefanie Denz from Friday, Sept. 10 through Oct. 10, with an opening reception on Sept. 10 from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Art celebrates its first anniversary with an open house all day on Friday, Sept. 10.
- Pegasus Gallery Framing on Robinson Road shows Salt Spring Island landscape paintings by Kenyan artist/naturalist Say Boro daily to Sept. 15.
- The 100 Mile Basket exhibit runs at ArtCraft's Showcase Gallery until Sept. 18. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Shock-o-L'Art uncensored erotic art show (and party) at SS Art Salon, 601 Upper Ganges Rd. Friday, Sept. 10, 7:30
- Pride art shows at TJ Beans and Barb's Bakery & Bistro through Oct. 3.
- Sculptor Morley Myers shows new work at his Merchants' Mews gallery.
- The ArtCraft Gift Shop of the Salt Spring Arts Council is open daily in historic Mahon Hall until Sept. 19 from 10
- Megan Manning has photos and collage in the lobby area of ArtSpring through September.
- The Salt Spring Photography Club displays photos by club members at the Salt Spring Coffee Company on an electronic picture frame, with updated photos every two weeks.
- Hastings House Sculpture Garden Tours run every Tuesday by reservation at 1 p.m. Phone 250-537-2362.
- New paintings by Carol Haigh are showing at Steffich Fine Art. Jim Standen's photo exhibit, featuring Salt Spring-grown produce, is now being displayed on the walls at Bruce's
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

ROOTS MUSIC



Creaking Tree String Quartet plays Salt Spring Sunday, Sept. 12 at Fulford Hall.

Creaking Tree String Quartet debuts new material on tour

Group plays Fulford Hall on Sunday night

The Creaking Tree String Quartet, two-time Juno nominees and some of the hardest-working musicians in the country, have put Salt Spring on their end-ofsummer CD launch tour.

"They will be travelling the province armed with new material and a preview of their upcoming release, spreading their cacophony of intricate string arrangements and energetic stage presence from the coast to the interior," states a press release.

The group plays at Fulford Hall on Sunday, Sept. 12 beginning at 7 p.m.

Sundogs, the group's fourth album, follows the successes of the previous ones with exciting new material that takes the music in new directions.

"Featuring expanded instrumentation with excellent guest artists as well as new approaches to arranging — highlighted by selections from the jazz and classical repertoire — the new record will bear the standards of excellence for which the group has become known."

As the CBC Radio One show Bandwith declared, "The playing is just superb, these guys are fantastic.'

Tickets are \$15 at the door.

MUSIC

SS Chamber Players round out Hastings House concert series

Outdoor event runs this Sunday afternoon

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

DRIFTWOOD STAFF

People who feel that good food gets even better when accompanied by good music won't want to miss the summer's final picnic concert on the Hastings House lawn this Sunday.

Combining a spectacular view of Ganges Harbour with fascinating outdoor sculpture installations, the hotel's lush gardens are the ideal place for an end of summer treat. The addition of a gourmet picnic lunch packed by chef Marcel Kauer and music played by locally based professionals seem almost like the icing on the cake.

Hastings House manager Shirley McLaughlin said the hotel launched the series this year after good feedback from a successful one-off last summer.

"It's a way for people to see the property, enjoy the view, have a little taste of our food and enjoy the entertainment," she said of the casual

The fourth and final concert of the season features core members of the Salt Spring Chamber Players, Jim, Laurie and Matthew Stubbs. Coming from their previous home near New York City, the Stubbs are pleased to be carrying on a tradition of taking music out into the open when the hot weather prevails. It's a combination made successful by the Boston Symphony at its summer home of Tanglewood and the New York Philharmonic's summer in the park series.

"I always thought there should be more outdoor music in the community," Jim Stubbs said of his Salt Spring home. "The whole feeling of festivity [it creates] is just wonderful."

"It's always fun to play outdoors," he added. "It's much more relaxed, but still elegant."

Laurie Stubbs said the family was honoured to be invited as the only classical concert of the series, and is looking forward to the novelty of playing outdoors.

"Right away the environment is brand new for us, because we're concert hall [performing]," she said.

The players have enjoyed finding repertoire to suit that environment, with pieces that are lighter and more "outdoorsy." One piece they have discovered was written by Canadian composer Mathieu Lussier — unbelievably scripted just for their primary instruments of trumpet, bassoon and piano. Another find is an operatic selection by Russian composer Mikhail Glinka, in which each player will have the chance to play an aria (for clarinet, bassoon and piano).

The concert begins at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 12. McLaughlin said guests should arrive between 12:30 and 12:45 to pick up their baskets, order a glass of wine if they like and find a nice place on the lawn for their blanket or lawn chair.

The picnic typically includes a salad of organic greens and organic chicken, fruit, treats and water. Beer and wine can be purchased separately. To reserve tickets, call the Hastings House at 250-537-2362. The concert will move to an indoor verandah in the event of rain.

CONCERT

Peter Prince and friends promise lively CD launch

Pacific Day concert at Fulford Hall Friday

With the release of Salt Spring musician Peter Prince's fifth album, it's time for a community

Prince and friends will present a concert for that purpose on Friday, Sept. 10 at Fulford Hall beginning at 8 p.m.

Pacific Day is a blend of folk, acoustic roots and global rhythms, described in a press release as "the most intimate and compelling work to date from an artist with a lifetime of devotion to the art of song.'

"People of all ages are drawn to the heart and soul ambiance of Peter's music," continues the

"His warm and fluid voice, lithe finger picking and cinematic lyrics take us on musical journeys inspired by his family, friends, dreams and trav-

Prince, a skilled west-coast troubadour and award-winning documentary filmmaker, has called Salt Spring home for 25 years.

For Pacific Day, "a crew of born musicians, singers and pranksters added their mojo to the tracks. Showing their individual flair for folk, roots, jazz and world music, they infuse Peter's songs with bursts of colour and energy."

For the Fulford show those musicians include Ian Van Wyck strumming the heartbeat on double bass, Laurent Boucher kicking up a storm on drums and percussion, Bruce Everett weaving the wind on harmonica and flute, and Henry Boudin cascading cool tones on saxophone.

Master sound sculptor Greg Pauker will be on hand to sweeten the mix and create a live recording of the concert.

Tickets for the show cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids and are available at Acoustic Planet and Stuff 'n' Nonsense.



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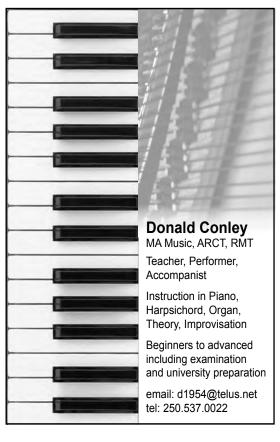




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A LITTLE BIT OF **EGYPT:** From left, Dominique O'Neil, Trinity Forbes and Cali Belanger stage an Egyptian theme as they work at TJ Beans cafe.

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Tent schedule as you enter the fairgrounds, as these events are offered only once during the weekend.

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Chemical sensitivity inspires creative expression for Salt Spring Island mom

Local woman aims for positive after devastating health challenge

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

A former Salt Spring hairdresser has turned to art in the wake of a severe chemical sensitivity impacting all areas of her life and environment.

Monica Ritenour was known to many islanders for Distinctive Hair Salon, her home-based studio on Vesuvius Bay Road, before a build-up of environmental and personal stresses caused her to abandon her former career.

Ritenour first felt the symptoms of Multiple Chemical Sensitivity around 14 years ago, but said she's only recently understood the scope of her afflic-

"It's taken me many years to fit the whole picture together," Ritenour said during a recent interview at her home.

A modest house located just past the Mormon church, Ritenour's home is a testament to the measures she's taken to reduce chemicals in her environ-

The walls have been recovered with natural tongue-and-groove pine, while the floors and cupboards are bare ply-

The living room and kitchen area is even tidier than you'd expect a hair salon to be, almost sparse in furniture and decorations. All clothing and other fabric items have been replaced with cotton, which is the only material Ritenour has found she can remove

The impetus for the redecoration is Ritenour's realization that she can't tolerate formaldehyde — and that it occurs in everything from pressboard to dryer sheets.

It is particularly ubiquitous in chemical-based fragrances, and is a component of cigarettes.

Ritenour believes her condition to be a combination of genetic propensity and the elevated stress that occurred when she ended a relationship three years ago.



PHOTO BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

Monica Ritenour and her son Keith.

Her mother suffers from Crohn's disease and her son Tim tested as allergic to virtually everything when he was five. Both her sons have continuing problems with gluten.

In addition to formaldehyde, Ritenour reacts to ink, recycled paper and the radiation in computers and cordless phones.

Her symptoms include painful skin infections, the scars and scabs of which are clearly visible on her neck and throat.

A recent flare-up occurred after she was exposed to second-hand smoke. Other reactions include staff infections and loss of joint mobility.

Because of her extreme symptoms, Ritenour is unable to work virtually ""I've just got to open my world up a bit and see what options come up."

MONICA RITENOUR Artist

anywhere where there are other peo-

But she has not been able to get help from disability assistance and is currently in the process of selling everything she can to survive: her car, the belongings she can no longer use and even her home.

"Everything is going and as everything goes, I get better and better," Ritenour said.

Despite the desperate conditions she $\,$ and her family now face, Ritenour has found relief and a potential means of income through creating seashell mir-

rors and mosaic tile art. Her first project was adding a 12-year collection of shells to a mirror for her home salon.

She has since created more mirrors and added mosaic work, including glass tile vases and candle holders.

Pursuing artistic work has kept her positive and suggested the possibility of a future path: Ritenour is taking correspondence courses in interior design and hopes to add carpentry and architecture. Her interests could meet as a consultant for creating healthy homes.

"I would like to help people who have health issues to clean up their homes," Ritenour said.

"I've just got to open my world up a bit and see what options come up."

Ritenour is getting ready to approach local galleries about carrying her work. In the meantime, interested parties can call her at 250-537-2967 to see her portfolio.

Donations of cotton bedding and clothes or organic foods are also appre-

Buddhist teacher visits SSI on 5th world tour

Enlightenment talk and retreat on agenda

Phakchok Rinpoche, now on his fifth world tour, returns to Salt Spring on Sunday, Sept. 19.

Rinpoche will speak on Is Enlightenment Possible in the 21st Century at Still Point Studio in the Harbour House Hotel at 3:30 p.m.

"It should be very stimulating and engaging," said Buddhist community member Matthew Coleman.

"He is very sharp and interesting and always paying attention. He speaks English and has a wonderful sense of humour that makes listening to his teachings such a plea-

Rinpoche is spending five months of this year travelling to Malaysia, France, Scotland, Israel, the U.S., Canada, Mexico and South America.

Coleman said local Buddhists feel



PHOTO BY MATTHEW COLEMAN

Lama Phuntsok, left, will host Phakchok Rinpoche.

very fortunate to be able to host him here. He said he told Rinpoche that "many Buddhist teachers have come here in the past but when they get big and famous they give us up for the big cities where there are more

people." But Rinpoche replied that "he wouldn't give up on us and he would keep us on his itinerary."

Last year Phakchok Rinpoche and about 30 students had a one-day retreat up at the Mount Tuam meditation retreat that was hosted by the resident Lama Phuntsok.

This year a two-day residential retreat is being offered.

"To be able to sit in meditation and listen to the teachings in the stillness on the mountain surrounded by the beauty of nature and the view of mountains and ocean is such a joy," notes Coleman

Rinpoche will be teaching Clarifying the Path — Remembering the Masters of the Past, a collection of sacred texts composed by great, realized masters from India.

"The texts teach the view, meditation, conduct, and fruition of the Bodhisattva path clearly and precisely based on many quotations from the Buddha's sutras. Basically this is a teaching on how to clarify your meditation.

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FESTIVAL

Firefly Lantern Fest helps keep the light burning into fall

Sept. 11 procession for all in the family

The fourth annual Firefly Lantern Festival runs on Saturday evening, one of several volunteer-driven community events taking place on Salt Spring this weekend.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Centennial Park, the event sees lantern-lit local performances of dance, music, spoken word poetry and fire spinning along a procession through town led by the exciting, percussive Samba du Soleil.

People are encouraged to bring their own lanterns for the event.

Lou Ellis, Sharyn Carroll and Shelley Lawson organize the familyoriented festival, now in its fourth

"We thought it would be a really nice way to celebrate this time of year and to have another avenue to showcase local performers who are not always particularly visible in our community, such as the fire spinners," said Ellis.

"Some of them do it for their own pleasure, some do it professionally, but only at the lantern festival."

"All three of us have enjoyed lan-

tern festivals in other communities and the idea of bringing one to our community culminated from three individual points of view and appreciations of lantern festivals in other communities," she said.

Participation in the event is by donation.

Check out the website at www.fireflylanternfestival.com for more information and photos of past events.

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BIRTHS

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ROLAND KAISER Okuda are happy to announce the birth of Maya Jaquelynn Putu Okuda, born August 8 at Victoria General Hospital. Victoria General Hospital. Proud grandparents are Glenda Kaiser and Patrick Dupuy, Salt Spring and Kio and Annie Okuda of Galiano. Thanks to Maggie and the Salt Spring Midwifery and to Greta.

WHAT'S ON pg. 18

DEATHS

John William (Bill) Moore

September 10, 1913 - July 9, 2010

John was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba to

John Arthur Moore & Jessie Lavina (nee Weeks);

the eldest of four children. He moved to Kamloops

with his family in 1927. For many years, he ran

J.W. Moore Contracting, a sand & gravel business in

Kamloops, B.C. One of his most memorable

moments in life was being contracted to help build

the Alaska Highway. In later years, Bill owned

and operated Moore's Rock Shop in downtown

Kamloops. He was very proud of his lapidary work

and creations of remarkable jewellery.

Bill loved hunting and fishing in his younger days

and was very proud of his excellent garden in his

retirement years - including canning many, many

quarts of tomatoes every year.

Bill retired to Campbell River and later to

Salt Spring Island, B.C., where he was

lovingly cared for by his niece,

Gaynelle Lobbes (Tom) of Merritt and

great niece, Noella Fraser (Mike) of Salt Spring.

Bill was predeceased by his first wife, Francis;

second wife, Alma; and sister Doris Moore.

He is survived by his sister Margaret Bainbridge of

Salt Spring Island and brother Don Moore of

Abbotsford; two daughters, Joan Bennewith (Stan)

of Ashcroft, Janet Meeks (Ray) of Chase and one son,

Bill Moore (Kathy) of Kamloops; adopted daughter

Kerry Hruschak of Kelowna, as well as

10 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren,

nieces, great nieces & nephews, and great great nieces

& nephews. All who knew and loved him greatly!

Thank you to the Greenwoods Elder Care staff

for the wonderful care & love, you provided Bill

in the past few years. You were his family, too!

Thank you to Dr. Barclay,

Hayward Funeral Home and everyone

who helped in the final days

of Bill's life.

No service by request.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

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DEATHS

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DEATHS

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September 12th, 2010 at 2:00 pm at the **Community Gospel Church**

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Born September 23, 1948 Died August 29, 2010





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But most of all, we will remember Lee for his three great loves; life, family and friends. His wonderful storytelling was proof of that.

Lee is survived and will be greatly missed by his wife and friend Mary, his son Todd (Karen) and grandson Wyatt, sisters Diane and Darlene (Murray), brother Marty (Karen), and his very faithful friend and dog Paisley.

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COMING EVENTS

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TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Lady Minto Hospital meeting room (the portable) Crofton Road, Ganges, Salt Spring Island

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Please join us for our 30th AGM!!

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Land Act: **Notice of Intention to Apply for** a Disposition of Crown Land

Take notice that Victor Erickson of Salt Spring Island, BC, intends to make application to Integrated Land Management Bureau (ILMB), Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Coast Region office for a Specific Permission-Private Moorage, situated on Provincial Crown land located at Salt Spring Island, vicinity of Stuart Channel.

The Lands File Number that has been established for this application is File # 1413282. Written comments concerning this application should be directed to the Section Head, Integrated Land Management Bureau at 142 - 2080 Labieux Rd, Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6J9, or emailed to: AuthorizingAgency. Nanaimo@gov.bc.ca. Comments will be received by ILMB until October 21, 2010. ILMB may not be able to consider comments received after this date. Please visit our website: http://ilmbwww.gov.bc.ca under the link: Applications & Reasons for Decision for more information.

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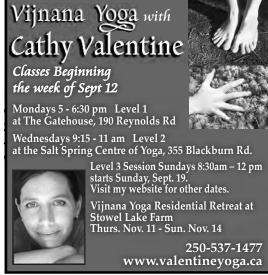
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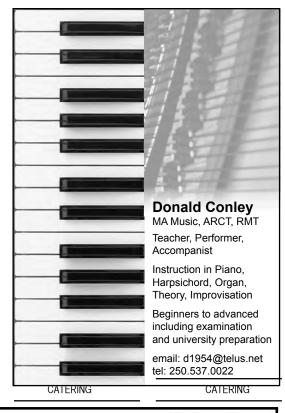
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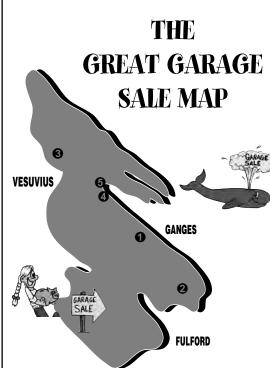
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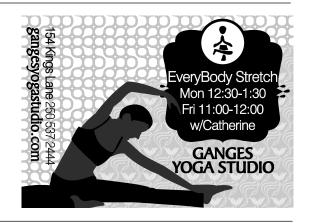




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Aiden Philip puts his arms out in an attempt to mimic a group of people practising tai chi in Centennial Park last Saturday.

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SOCCER

Island soccer season set for kickoff

Youth players invited to icebreaker event

BY SEAN MCINTYRE DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Children aged four through eight are invited to come out and join dozens of other kids on the pitch for Saturday's icebreaker event at Portlock Park from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Organizers hope the event will attract a new batch of aspiring island soccer players to participate in the upcoming youth soccer season.

"It's just going to be a meet and greet to get more kids out," said Colin Walde, an Alumni FC player and strong proponent of youth soccer on the island.

"We're asking kids to talk to

their friends and try it out.

"We encourage anyone, even if they are remotely interested in playing."

Walde said about 70 children are signed up for the 2010-2011 mini-program season, which gets underway on Sept. 18. He suggested the group could use 50 more children ahead of opening day.

Walde anticipates more kids and their parents will turn to the soccer fields as summer schedules wind

The icebreaker event offers kids a chance to experience the game in a fun and informal setting.

The morning will introduce prospective players to some basic skills and give

them a chance to play in some short games.

Registration will also take place for kids of all ages. In other island soccernews,

the adult season begins with a series of weekend games on Sept. 11 and 12. According to Walde, this

year's biggest change is the break-up of the ever-popular Ganges Gremio squad. Despite the team's solid showing in its first two seasons, a low player turnout led to the group's demise.

Ex-Gremio players have plenty of alternatives as Salt Spring FC prepares to make a run at the Division 2 title, Alumni FC goes up against strong competition in the Masters-A division, and the Old Boys fight for survival in a new group that combines teams from the Masters B and C divisions.

In Lower Island Women's Soccer Association play, the Div. 2 Salt Spring team will try to improve on last year's third-place finish while the over-30B team seeks to rise up the ranks.

As with the youth teams, players for the island's three men's and two women's teams are always encouraged to step forward.

Walde said there's still plenty of room for anyone who wants to take a kick at the upcoming season.

More information about how to get involved is available online at www. saltspringsoccer.com.

PARC NEWS

-upgrade work steaming along on SSI

New Channel Ridge trails should open soon

BY KEES RUURS PARC MANAGER

Even though the warm summer days are ending soon, there weather left in which to offer. In particular, we look forward to seeing you on our trails.

Trails

Speaking of trails, our trail crew has been spending the last two months both building new trails in Channel Ridge and upgrading existing ones throughout the island. New trail head and directional intersection signs in Channel Ridge will be going up within a few weeks. Also, a new map of the Channel Ridge trail system will soon be available at the PARC office. Call us at 250-537-4448 to find out more about this new and exciting recreational opportunity.

Leisure Guide

The fall/winter lei-

wood. Make sure you keep your copy around to find out what is going on and, in particular, to learn more about the leisure services available throughout the fall and winter. If you need extra copies, they will be in the PARC office at Portlock Park or at the Driftwood.

As well as having a listing of what's being offered where and when, this new brochure contains new maps and detailed information about several of the island's trails. An online version of the guide will also be available on the Driftwood's website.

Fulford tennis court

With the help of a generous donation

is still plenty of good sure guide called Salt from an island resident, PARC's 2011 Spring Unlimited will the Fulford tennis court to enjoy all the outdoor be included as an insert will be repaired this activities our island has in this issue of the Drift-fall. Though it originally seemed that court was beyond repair, a "proven elsewhere" approach, new to Salt Spring, has been found to deal with its resurfacing problems.

The timing of the work is weather dependent, but we hope to have the job finished by mid September.

Camp Colossal

Our PARC summer camp, Camp Colossal, ended its season on Sept. 3.

It has been a great summer for those attending, one with good weather, exciting activities and a great many fun outings.

This long-time PARC initiative has again proven very popular with both children and their parents.

budget

The commission has been working on its 2011 budget and has decided to continue its 2010 emphasis on what a recent survey revealed the community most wanted — further trail development / upgrading and the construction of additional beach access points.

The tax increase requested by PARC for 2011 will be kept to one per cent, which is well below this year's increase in the cost of living.

Pool activities

A reminder that the pool's annual shut down for maintenance starts on Sept. 6.

It will re-open on Sept. 26 with a new winter schedule that will soon be widely distributed.





A sailboat plies the sun-spotted water, enjoying the last days of summer.

PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

Women golfers keeping busy with tournament play

Championship event on the greens this weekend

BY SUSAN RUSSELL

DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

Last week a team of 10 women travelled to Royal Colwood Golf Club in Langford to compete in the annual Vancouver Island Senior Ladies Golf Association.

The association was celebrating its 60th year in existence and held its annual tournament with an elegant dinner for the button match players at the scene of their

The Salt Spring women brought home the team championship, led by the great scoring of Cherie Cornachione, Marcie Hogan and Kathy Luke. Also presented with buttons, due to their winning four consecutive matches over the last season, were Femmy Schuurmans and Pat Sutherland.

Preparations are under way for the first ever women's club championship this weekend, Sept. 11 and 12. Previously, the women have competed on the same day as the men for the honour of being called "club champion," but this year the women are fortunate to have their own day they don't have to keep ducking the men's errant shots!

Hoping to attract as many competitors as possible, the stroke play competition over two days is open to all club members. Women do not have to be a member of one of the golfing groups to be eligible.

Saturday there will be tee times starting at 9 a.m. and Sunday there will be a shotgun start, also stroke play, at 1 p.m. The entry fee is \$5 and dinner on Sunday after golf is \$20 at the Falconshead Grill.

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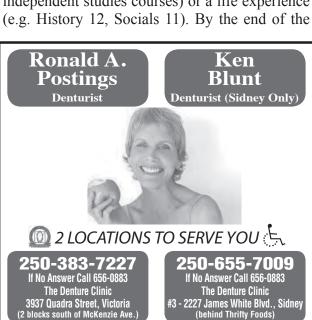
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Connecting Generations gathers momentum

Seniors are an integral part of the Connecting Generations project of School District 64, and local seniors should consider if they can contribute.

Plugged-In: In collaboration with Salt Spring Literacy, this program will connect youth with adults, including seniors, who would like to learn some basic computer skills. Students will be trained by Salt Spring Literacy to coach adult learners and be able to earn high school credits.

in the community, including seniors, in order to share an interest or skill (project-based learning, independent studies courses) or a life experience

last school year, 59 people were registered to participate in the project. Between the end of March and the middle of June, more than 30 conversations had taken place between youth and adults about mutual interests, skills or life experiences. So far most of the students involved have been in the Intensive French Immersion class where they have pursued Independent Studies courses, or in the History 12 class where they have had opportunities to share first-hand accounts of Connecting Generations – In School will life experiences with seniors. This year the Grade ontinue to bring students together with adults 11 Socials classes will also be participating in the Anyone interested in participating in any part of the project should contact Sarah Hook-Nilsson at shooknilsson@sd64.bc.ca or at the high school at 250-537-9944.



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