



Driftwood

Wednesday, August 3, 2011 — YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER SINCE 1960 51ST YEAR — ISSUE 31

\$1.25 (incl. GST)



PHOTO BY SEAN MCINTYRE

Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue volunteer Paris Haase helps carry a patient who fell down a steep bank on the north side of Duck Bay near Vesuvius on Thursday. The victim was loaded onto an awaiting coast guard vessel and transported to the dock at Vesuvius Bay, where she was transferred to an ambulance and driven to Lady Minto Hospital.

LIBRARY

End of road for Ganges landmark

Demolition team brings down Mary Hawkins Library

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

It was out with the old and in with the new as Capital Regional District and library board reps marked the latest chapter in the island's new library building project at a ceremony that coincided with the McPhillips Avenue landmark's demolition on Thursday.

"Today's ground-turning ceremony takes us from a dream to a promise for a new library for Salt Spring Island before the end of 2012, whether that's 14 months or 16 months from now," said Rita Archer, chair of the library board, during the July 28 event held outside the library's temporary facility on Jackson Avenue.

Archer said the new library project represents a community-wide effort that will ensure the library can handle inevitable changes in store for public libraries everywhere.

"While the future is difficult to predict, common sense tells us that the survival of local libraries requires that libraries adapt to changing realities," she said. "The new modern spacious library will greatly enhance our abilities to respond to the challenges and opportunities that lay ahead."

As Archer spoke to the future of libraries, the sound of demolition work conducted a few hundred metres

LIBRARY continued on 2

BC FERRIES

Regional chairs request Ferry Act review

User-pay system harming coastal communities

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The chairs of nine coastal districts have joined together to bring government attention to serious flaws in the Coastal Ferry Act they say affect the livelihood of local communities.

Representatives from eight regional districts and the Islands Trust Council met with Transportation Minister Blair Lekstrom last month to present the concerns heard in their constituencies. Critics says the biggest issue with the act, which structured BC Ferries as a private company in 2003, is the user-pay system and its ever-increasing fares.

"It is significant to see nine diverse regional districts come together with a clear message

for the province: improve coastal ferry service in B.C.," Colin Palmer, chair of the Powell River Regional District, stated in a press release.

During a telephone interview with the Driftwood, Palmer said that while each chair had a slightly different take on what the possible solutions might be, the adverse effects of the current system were the same.

"We had the chance to sit down with the minister and tell him what was happening in each of the districts we represent — and it was a pretty consistent story," said Palmer, who led the delegation.

Capital Regional District chair Geoff Young observed, "I think it's fair to say most of the arguments we heard are ones that have been discussed before... This issue has been around

for a long time and a lot of these concerns have been expressed in the past."

Sheila Malcolmson chairs Islands Trust Council, which has been advocating for changes to the Coastal Ferry Act for several years. The ITC published a position paper outlining problems and solutions in 2006 and sent a letter ratified by the Union of B.C. Municipalities in 2009.

At their quarterly meeting of June 2011, trustees unanimously resolved to send another request for the province to stabilize fares on minor routes.

"Ferry fares have been allowed to increase at about four times the rate of inflation for the past eight years and now are a substantial barrier to

FERRIES continued on 5

NEED A MORTGAGE?
Ask Arlene!
MORTGAGE DEPT.
VERICO
Arlene 250-537-4090



INSERTS

- Country Grocer
- Home Hardware
- Thrifty Foods
- The Source
- Sears
- Rona

INDEX

Arts.....	12	Get Noticed.....	20
Classifieds.....	23	Letters.....	9
Editorial.....	8	Sports.....	27
Emergency.....	14	What's On.....	18

email: driftwood@gulfislands.net 250.537.9933 website: www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

North End Fitness
250-537-5217

uptown pizza TOO
\$5.50 for a 10" PEPPERONI PIZZA
Across from Thrifty's

REGISTER NOW FOR SWIM LESSONS for Ages 3 - 14 years

Summer Set 3
August 1st - 12th
It's Fun!

Summer Set 4
August 15th - 26th
It's Healthy!

reminder:
POOL CLOSED
SEPT 5TH - 24TH
for annual maintenance

Rainbow Road indoor pool
250-537-1402

Benjamin Moore
& more
NOW OFFERING COLOUR CONSULTING!
250-537-9736

online

gulfislandsdriftwood.com

SOME TWEETS WE TWITTERED »



FRI: Truck takes down power lines
THURS: Woman falls off bluff
THURS: Library being demolished
www.twitter.com/GIDriftwood

VIDEO THIS WEEK »



LIBRARY DEMO
Scott Simmons' video of library

FACEBOOK FAN OF THE WEEK »



Verla Martell is the Driftwood's Facebook "Fan of the Week." Pick up your \$10 Country Grocer gift card at the Driftwood office until Sept. 3, 2011.

STAY CONNECTED »

Be part of the Driftwood's online community.

Sign up for breaking news, a weekly news digest E-dition, Facebook community updates, and short, timely messages via Twitter.
gulfislandsdriftwood.com/signup.html

COMMUNITY LINKS »

Looking for an online link to Michael O'Connor's weekly horoscope?
www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com look under "Community Links"

STAY INFORMED »

Read Tony Richards' commentary on local issues at

www.blogs.gulfislandsdriftwood.com/tonyrichards



FREE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

- | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Barb's Buns | Island Star Video | ReMax |
| Chamber Office | Love My Kitchen | Royal LePage |
| Driftwood | Mistaken Identity | Salt Spring Books |
| Embe Bakery | Vineyards | Uptown Pizza |
| Gallery 8 | Natureworks | Vesuvius Store |
| Harbour House Hotel | Pattersons | Vesuvius Ferry on Board |
| Harlan's | Pegasus Gallery | |
| Hastings House | Pharmasave | |
| Home Hardware | Raven St. Market Café | Waterfront Gallery |

NEWSBEAT

Work gets underway on new library

LIBRARY

continued from 1

away on McPhillips Avenue heralded the end of the island's former library building.

By mid afternoon, little was left of the former boathouse and addition that served as a community focal point for nearly 50 years.

By the end of the day, crews had also prepared the "white house" next door for the big move up to 584 Rainbow Rd.

The historic structure will receive a new lease on life as part of an affordable housing project coordinated by the Salt Spring Island Land Bank.

The Land Bank's Neddy Harris said the building, which is among five reclaimed buildings on the Rainbow Road site, will be converted to provide two living units.

Part of the work, she added, will entail upgrading the building's horse hair and cedar bough insulation to something more in line with today's building code.

Salt Spring's CRD director thanked the countless volunteers who played a role in the long campaign to plan and follow through with the \$7.3-million library project.

"These kind of people are the kind of people our community respects and applauds because they get things done," Garth Hendren said.

Hendren, a former library board chair, said he's thrilled the end is finally in sight after more than a decade of work.

"I've woken up to thinking about the library and I've gone to bed thinking about this place; it's occupied me for



PHOTOS BY DERRICK LUNDY

At the new library site are, from left, architects Patti Faulconbridge and Ladislav Holovsky with CRD representative Joshua Frederick. Below, a worker watches as the old building comes down.



far too much of my life," he said. "In a few short months, our new library will open. There will be a new two-storey

building, a little over a 1,000 square metres (10,000 square feet) of floor space that will be built to the equivalent of

LEED Gold sustainability. In addition to the library, the building will house meeting rooms for community events and organizations and a new home for the Salt Spring Historical Society's archives.

"After a long and somewhat rocky time, there is a light at the end of the tunnel," Hendren added. "Although the bathtub and the boatbuilding shed got us going, our old friends can no longer serve our community."

He called the new building a "testament to the community's dedication to infrastructure and learning."

Be Prepared with a HONDA GENERATOR

- 1000-7000 watts
- Powered by Honda
- Four Stroke
- Easy Starts, Every Time
- Environmentally Responsible
- Automatic Voltage Regulation
- Inverter Circuitry



Starting at \$999

HARBOURS END MARINE & EQUIPMENT

250-537-4202

122 Upper Ganges Rd. at the head of Ganges Harbour Mon. - Fri. 8:30am - 5:00pm
Saturdays 9:00am - 3:00pm

Tide Tables

AT FULFORD HARBOUR
Pacific Standard Time - measured in feet
sponsored by Harbours End Marine & Equipment Ltd.

AUG	TIME	HEIGHT	TIME	HEIGHT
03	02:25	1.8	07	06:15
04	07:52	2.7	08	14:38
05	13:50	1.2	09	17:37
06	20:49	3.4	10	23:02
07	03:21	1.4	11	07:15
08	09:19	2.5	12	15:52
09	14:33	1.6	13	19:24
10	21:17	3.4	14	23:53
11	04:18	1.1	15	07:36
12	10:59	2.5	16	16:45
13	15:20	2.0	17	21:03
14	21:48	3.3	18	09:30
15	05:16	0.9	19	16:45
16	12:52	2.6	20	21:03
17	16:17	2.4	21	09:30
18	22:22	3.3	22	16:45

Life insurance isn't for YOU, it's for who you leave behind.

Is your family protected?

SALT SPRING INSURANCE SERVICES

Grace Point Square Tel: 250.537.1730 mofalda@saltspringinsurance.ca
For more information and rates - www.saltspringinsurance.ca



Mafalda Hoogerdyk, EPC Insurance Broker

Are you living on income from your investments?
Are they tax efficient?
Call a trusted local professional!

Martin Hoogerdyk, CFP
Investment Advisor
Manulife Securities Incorporated, Member CIPF
tel: 250-537-1730



Grace Point Square
martin.hoogerdyk@manulifesecurities.ca
www.manulifesecurities.ca

Manulife Securities
MANULIFE SECURITIES INCORPORATED



Our Islands. Our World.

More daily flights home from the mainland

For scheduled flight info please call

1-800-447-3247

or visit our website at

seairseaplanes.com

- 6 scheduled flights daily between Ganges and Vancouver Airport
- Newest, fastest and quietest Seaplane fleet in Canada
- Free parking and free shuttle bus to main YVR terminal and bus exchange
- Frequent flyer discount
- Charter flights available to other destinations, including USA.



(Ganges ↔ Vancouver)

BOOK YOUR FLIGHT ON-LINE AND SAVE
\$3.00 ON A RETURN TRIP AIRFARE.

Newsbeat

Heads up!

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day

Tuesday, AUG. 9
Peace Park, 4 p.m.

TRANSPORTATION

Bridge ideas incite passion and fuel debate

Fixed-link transportation pits economics versus identity

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The province's official response to the prospect of a fixed-link between Salt Spring and Vancouver Island couldn't be more clear.

"The bottom line is that nothing is planned at all," said Jeff Knight, a provincial government spokesperson. "There is no fixed link being planned."

Knight went on to explain that a comprehensive provincial government webpage, which outlines options to connect the Lower Mainland with Vancouver Island, represents nearly all the information the province has compiled about the topic. Among the five bridge options listed, three appear to pass directly over Salt Spring.

Between the vivid illustrations, talk of floating pontoons and submerged floating tunnels, the page reads like something engineered by Jules Verne or Isaac Asimov.

It all sounds plausible until one gets to the anticipated \$12-billion price tag, a cost which, in 1985, brought a very real and very swift end to any further talk of a fixed link.

With a growing population and rising ferry costs, however, the topic is enjoying a mild resurgence among residents of islands large and small throughout the Strait of Georgia.

Here on Salt Spring, where the distance to Vancouver Island narrows to a mere 100 metres at two points along Sansum Narrows, it doesn't take much time in a ferry lineup to stir the imagination of what could be.

According to Pat McGeer, a Vancouver neuroscientist who devoted years as an MLA to the fixed-link cause, imagination is precisely what some of today's elected officials desperately need.

While the rest of the world has marched ahead, British Columbia has pursued few major transportation infrastructure projects since completion of the Coquihalla Highway in the late 1980s.

All one needs to do is look to the United States, Asia and Europe to get some idea of how far things have come, McGeer said.

"We like to live in the past, I guess," he said.

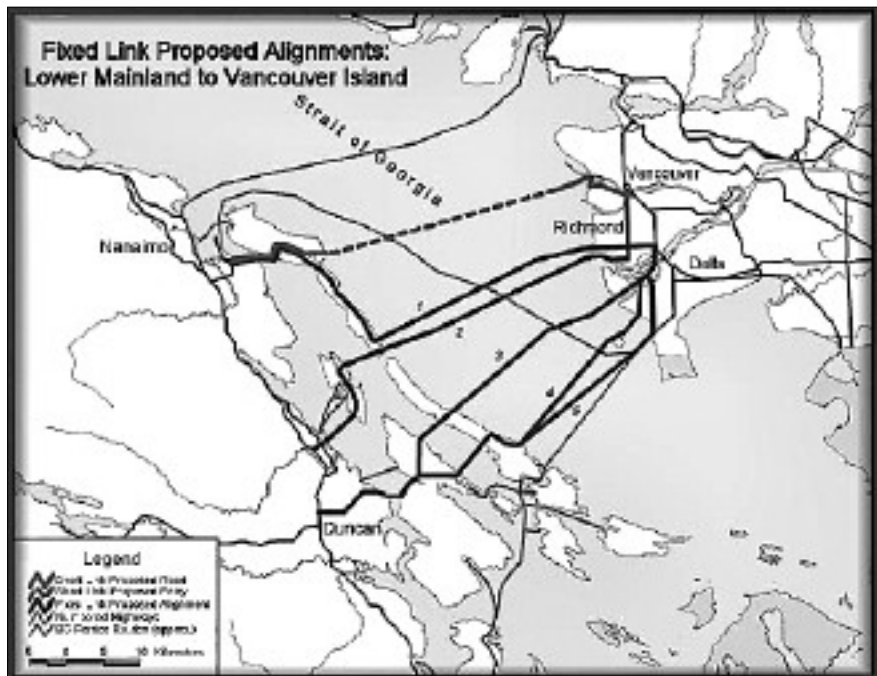
In McGeer's view, the argument for a fixed link between Salt Spring and Vancouver islands comes down to basic economics.

"Costs of a bridge can be recovered," he said. "Every trip of the ferry, you throw money away. With a bridge, you build it once and [the most significant expense] is over."

And McGeer doesn't hold much sympathy for the plight of ferry workers who stand to lose out when the ferries are scrapped. A mindset to preserve jobs at the expense of efficiency, he argues, is the kind of thinking that would have kept us tethered to the horse and buggy era or mired in the dark ages.

"What you want to do is get rid of the inefficiencies and the subsidies," he said. "People get other jobs."

According to Phillip Vannini, a professor at Royal Roads University's School of Communications who lives on Gabriola Island, jobs aren't the only thing that would vanish after construction of a fixed link.



Provincial Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure diagram of possible bridge connections. See www.th.gov.bc.ca/publications/reports_and_studies/fixed_link/fixed_link.htm for a colour version of map.

"The side effect would be to destroy islandness, which is the very reason many people have decided to remain on or move to the islands," said Vannini, the author of *Ferry Tales: An Ethnography of Mobility, Place, and Time on Canada's West Coast*, a forthcoming book based on research conducted during three years of fieldwork, 250 ferry trips, 381 interviews on three dozen island and remote coastal communities.

"There is an essence to the ferry culture which is important to community building and you lose that with a bridge," he said. "People just get in their cars and go."

At stake is the very essence of who islanders are, Vannini argues.

Islandness, he adds, is what keeps places like Salt Spring and Gabriola islands from becoming full-fledged suburban bedroom communities.

As if losing one's identity wasn't bad enough, Vannini added, from an environmental perspective, any economic efficiencies afforded by construction of a bridge would come at the expense of a greater dependence on fossil fuels

and the automobile.

"We have become as a global society addicted to oil and automobility, which is fuelled by oil," he said. "A bridge puts us in a position where we can drive more, work farther away and use even more fuel to get there."

Given that the higher cost of fossil fuels is among the main drivers behind rising fuel fares, Vannini suggests a better option is to focus on alternative ways to fuel vessels in B.C. Ferries' aging fleet. He suggested a nonprofit co-operative ownership model could also be used to ensure affordability.

"We need to use our imagination," he said. "The islands have a lot of very educated and political people living on them. Why are we not getting involved and discussing what the future can look like?"

More information about the provincial government's non-plan for a fixed link between Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland is available through the provincial government's Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure website at www.gov.bc.ca/tran.

News briefs

FOR THE RECORD

Incorrect information was given to the Driftwood about a winner's name in the Salt Spring Rogers Rook-

ie tennis tourney last week. The winner of the U12 division was Henry Pereira.

LTC agenda set for Thurs.

Islanders can expect to receive the latest update on the Salt Spring Islands Trust's effort to incorporate

the Riparian Areas Regulation when trustees and Trust staff meet for their monthly public business meeting on Thursday, Aug. 4

Public outcry over proposed Bylaw 449 encouraged trustees to vote to proceed no further with the bylaw until more community engagement and public

education have taken place.

The RAR update is but one item on a full agenda that will also include an update on the exploration of legalizing secondary suites.

Also on the agenda is consideration of second and third reading of proposed Bylaw 448, a regulation that will amend rules for home-

based businesses that operate on the island. The files are tentatively scheduled for 4 p.m.

Although no official delegations had registered by Tuesday afternoon, the meeting's town hall session at 12:15 p.m. is designed to give anyone who wishes to speak an opportunity to do

so.

Islanders are reminded that the quarterly Trust Council meeting takes place on Salt Spring on Sept. 13, 14 and 15. Anyone who wishes to address Trust Council can register as a formal delegation by calling Marie Smith at 250-405-5161 before Aug. 30.

9787 4th St,
Sidney, BC
250-655-9669

C·A·R·E
Funeral Services
www.carefuneral.com

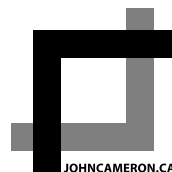
FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED SINCE 1990
Designated Provider to the Memorial Society of B.C.

Our Prices Say We CARE & Our Service Proves It.

Complete
Services from
\$1,199.00 + HST

William Buckley
(Director)

Photographic Solutions



JOHNCAMERON.CA

johncameron.ca
saltspringphotos.com

subscribe

SOUTHERN GULF ISLANDS
3 MONTHS **6 MONTHS** **12 MONTHS**
 \$16.74 \$32.03 \$53.20
includes taxes

ELSEWHERE IN CANADA
 \$35.84 \$61.60 \$89.60
includes taxes

INTERNATIONAL
 N/A \$145.00 \$235.00

UPCOMING FEATURES

DENNIS PARKER RETROSPECTIVE

20 YEARS...
IT'S BEEN THAT
LONG????!!!!



DENNIS PARKER RETROSPECTIVE

Be a part of this new souvenir feature.
 Publishing Wednesday, August 31.
 Deadline Tuesday, August 23

ADVERTISING DEADLINES:

Driftwood display ads, Friday 2pm
 Driftwood classified display ads, Monday 4pm
 Weekender display ads, Tuesday 2pm
 Weekender classified display ads, Tuesday 4pm

ADVERTISING REPRESENTATIVES:



RICK MACKINNON
 Ph: 250-537-9933
 ext. 202
 rmackinnon@gulfislands.net



KIMBERLY YOUNG
 Ph: 250-537-9933
 ext. 205
 kyoun@gulfislands.net



ERIN JORY
 Ph: 250-537-9933
 EXT. 211
 ejory@gulfislands.net

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING:

250.537.9933 classified@gulfislands.net
 328 Lower Ganges Road
 all ads must be pre-paid unless
 other arrangements have been made in advance

FLYERS:

We can deliver your flyer to 4400 readers.
 Rates are 5¢ each.
 Flyers deadline is Monday noon at our office.

Driftwood
YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER SINCE 1960

One of Canada's best newspapers
 2008, 2009, 2010

88% of islanders
 read us each week
 - Combase Study

APPLIANCE REPAIR INSTALLATIONS & SERVICING

The
**Right
Hand
Man**
 (Fully Insured)



PETER ANDRESS

righthandman@telus.net 250-537-0881

NEWSBEAT

ISLANDS TRUST

Planner aims to clarify nuisance clause

Proposed Bylaw 448 hearing
 begins tonight at 7 p.m.

"We take our lead on well-established land-use bylaw practices."

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

The regional planning manager responsible for the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Area stands by the local government body's authority to implement and carry out a clause in proposed Bylaw 448 that seeks to limit noise, nuisances and disruptions caused by home-based businesses.

In a Tuesday morning interview, one day before the proposed bylaw's Aug. 3 public hearing, planner Leah Hartley classified the proposed amendments as "fairly common when viewed in comparison to similar bylaws across the province."

"We take our lead on well-established land-use bylaw practices," she said.

Clause four of proposed Bylaw 448 seeks to amend conditions of the Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw 355 to ensure neighbours have recourse in the event a home-based business is deemed to "produce vibration, smoke,

LEAH HARTLEY
 Trust planner

dust, odour, litter, electrical interference, fire hazard, effluent or glare detectable outside the boundaries of the lot."

Section 4(b) states: "no home occupation may create or permit noise that disturbs persons, or is clearly audible, off the lot on which the home occupation is conducted."

The wording of the specific clause has come under fire from individuals who oppose the proposed bylaw.

In a letter to the editor submitted to the Driftwood for this week's paper, Norbert Schlenker questions the Islands Trust's authority to implement Section 4.

"The [Islands Trust] Act and its regulations do not convey nuisance regulation powers from the province, either

directly or by reference to the Local Government Act and the Community Charter," Schlenker writes.

Hartley acknowledged that, although Schlenker is partly right to state the Trust Act does not convey powers to regulate nuisances, the argument fails to recognize that Section 4 is a proposal to amend the conditions of use outlined in Subsection 3.13.5 of the island's land use bylaw.

"It's clear that the clause is setting conditions for use," Hartley said.

If there is a noise dispute, Hartley said, the matter could be addressed by either the Capital Regional District or the Islands Trust's bylaw enforcement department, depending on who is first to receive the complaint.

In all other cases, she said, the Islands Trust's bylaw enforcement officer would be asked to follow through with an investigation.

Proposed Bylaw 448 goes to public hearing tonight (Aug. 3) at the Community Gospel Chapel (147 Vesuvius Bay Rd.) at 7 p.m.

A community information session about the proposed bylaw begins at 5 p.m.

TECHNOLOGY

Greens call for halt to smart meter program

Health concerns
 expressed

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Residents opposed to BC Hydro's province-wide smart meter program have gained another ally in the Green Party of B.C.

Party leader Jane Sterk publicly called on the provincial government to stop implementation of the plan during a press conference held last Wednesday.

As she stated in a press release issued the same day, "There are environmental, privacy and security concerns as well as the potential for adverse health risks."

"This is an issue that hits at

the heart of democratic rights. Individuals have no ability to opt out of a program that may impact the health of those with electro-magnetic sensitivity."

Sterk called on the province to return the project to the purview of the B.C. Utilities Commission, the oversight body normally responsible for approving such projects.

She also demanded formal public hearings on the program and third party assessment of potential adverse health effects.

Sterk has backing from federal Green leader and Saanich-Gulf Islands MP Elizabeth May for her position, which several critics have noted reverses official party policy written in 2009. At the time,

B.C. Greens called for smart meters in every home by the end of 2012 — exactly what BC Hydro's plan now intends to accomplish.

With new information about the possible health effects of electromagnetic radiation and active citizen groups opposing the mandatory installation, Sterk said the precautionary principle should be the guideline.

"B.C. Greens believe people should have a right to feel safe and secure in their own homes," Sterk is quoted in the news release. "As it stands now, people cannot opt out of the smart meter program."

"We favour a well-formulated long-term plan with conservation as the driver. Most conservation goals could be

achieved without replacing any meters.

"If it is determined we need new meters, people still need to be able to say no. With pricing and incentives and technology that has been demonstrated to be safe, opting in can be made the more attractive option."

The issue has become an important one for Gulf Islanders, who along with Burnaby residents live in one of two zones earmarked for a smart meter pilot project.

Groups like Gulf Islanders For Safe Technology have already gained the support of the Islands Trust Council, which has asked B.C. Hydro to suspend the project until public concerns about safety and security are resolved.

Want to make your income streams more tax-efficient?

Contact me today to find out
 how I can help.



R. Joni Ganderton, MBA, CFP
 Investment Advisor & Financial Planner
 152A Fulford Ganges Road
 Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2T8
 Tel: 250-537-1654
 Toll Free: 1-888-267-8111
 joni.ganderton@nbpcd.com
 www.joniganderton.com

Proven • Experienced • Commitment • Reliability • Communication

The R. Joni Ganderton Group

BMO Nesbitt Burns
 Making money make sense®

© "BMO" (Bank of Montreal symbol) and "Making Money Make Sense" are registered trademarks of Bank of Montreal, used under license. "Nesbitt Burns" is a registered trademark of BMO Nesbitt Burns Corporation Limited, used under license. BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. and BMO Nesbitt Burns Ltd. are indirect subsidiaries of Bank of Montreal. If you are already a client of BMO Nesbitt Burns, please contact your Investment Advisor for more information.
 Member-Canadian Investor Protection Fund

NORTH SALT SPRING WATERWORKS DISTRICT

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN BULK WATER SUPPLY

For all our bulk water customers – please note that on Thursday, 11th August 2011, we will be moving the bulk water filling point from its present location to the east end of our property along Upper Ganges Road.

This facility will be closed that day.

Anyone wishing to purchase bulk water after this change MUST report to the office during regular hours to register and obtain a key in order to access the relocated bulk filling point.

Office hours are Monday to Friday,
 8.00 am to 4.30 pm.

WARNING – to anyone taking water from anywhere else on the distribution system, or not registering with the office – this is an offence under the Water Act and may lead to prosecution.

Trevor Hutton
 General Manager

NEWSBEAT



PHOTO BY RICK NEUFELD

JOINING THE FLEET: The 110-metre (360-foot) Attessa IV, appears to fit right into Fulford Harbour along with the Skeena Queen ferry, which is the same length. The Attessa IV is reportedly the largest privately owned yacht in North America and owned by Montana-based industrialist Dennis Washington. It was seen in the harbour last Wednesday night.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Reginald Hill eco-thieves strike again

Memorial bench vanishes without a trace

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Less than a month after a suspected posse of ecologically minded vandals made off with concrete footings from underneath a memorial bench perched near the summit of Reginald Hill, the group appears to have returned to finish the job.

A Salt Spring Parks and Recreation Commission crew realized the bench had been removed while they conducted routine maintenance on a trail that winds up to the

south-end hilltop overlooking Fulford Harbour last week. Workers' thorough search of the area, including the base of the steep, rocky viewpoint, turned up no sign of the bench.

"They looked around and it's not just been thrown over the edge," said Kirk Harris, a PARC spokesperson.

As in the caper of the concrete footings, Harris said he believes whoever is responsible for the stolen bench did not act alone.

Carrying the 70-kilogram (150-pound) bench up the steep trail and installing it at the lookout point required six PARC employees. Harris said

the bench's approximate value is \$850.

Harris also said he's confident the same group is responsible for both incidents.

At some point during the second weekend of July, thieves made off with a pair of 55-kilogram (125-pound) concrete footings that had been installed to secure the bench as a safety precaution.

Crews found no trace of the concrete and were perplexed to discover that whoever is responsible made an effort to replace the site's original moss and soil before setting the bench back in place.

Harris believes news that the trail crew intended to

bolt the bench into the rock was enough to persuade the thieves to return and settle the matter.

"They're not trying to be destructive, they're just trying to send us a message," Harris said.

That message, he added, is clearly about leaving as small a footprint as possible on PARC's Reginald Hill property.

He said PARC will rethink its plan to install a permanent bench at the site.

Harris encourages anyone with information about the bench's whereabouts to contact the PARC office at 250-537-4448. The matter has been reported to the RCMP.

Chairs call for review of ferry act

FERRIES

continued from 1

to social and economic survival of families and communities long established along our coast," Malcolmson wrote to Lekstrom on behalf of the ITC.

Malcolmson said on Tuesday that the ITC developed its position based on the expertise of the Ferry Advisory Council chairs, who have called for government support of the system more in line with how highway infrastructure and capital projects are funded.

"We've just been hearing so much from our constituents, and hearing the same concerns and impacts again and again," Malcolmson said Tuesday, noting that every time fares increase the traffic goes down, affecting

tourism and other local businesses.

"We're not asking that ferries be free, but we're asking the provincial government to be a stronger contributor so it's not all on the backs of the ferry-travelling public," she said.

Palmer noted that not all the regional chairs have arrived at the same conclusion. In fact, some of them do feel that ferries should be free. But they all agree the issue needs serious attention, an idea they will emphasize at a meeting with B.C. Ferry Commissioner Gord Macatee set for Aug. 8.

"Some of us are thinking [the act] needs either a radical change of existing legislation, or just get rid of it and come up with a totally different model," Palmer said.

"All I can guarantee is if noth-

ing changes, this is going to get worse and worse."

"We're basically saying, 'We recognize you have tried this model and it is not working for you and we'd like you to review it,'" Young said.

Malcolmson pointed to the hopeful fact that Lekstrom has been the transport minister most receptive to addressing ferry fare concerns since the act went into effect.

The chairs are also working to schedule a meeting with Premier Christy Clark during the Union of B.C. Municipalities convention being held late September, where they plan to emphasize the user-pay system's negative impact on families, jobs and business.

Post your comment to this story online at
www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

Who reads us?

88% of Islanders read the Driftwood each week.

- COMBASE SURVEY

ISLANDS TRUST

Suites debate moves to a home near you

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Staff at the Islands Trust office on Salt Spring have launched a novel effort to gather public comments about a proposal to legalize the rental of secondary suites.

Volunteers from across the island are asked to open their kitchens, living rooms, decks and even their suites as potential settings for neighbourhood discussions about the issue.

The new approach, according to Islands Trust regional planning manager Leah Hartley, aims to give residents and organizations a chance to set up information sessions based around their own schedules.

"This was probably a good way, not the only way, but it is a way

of ensuring that people have an opportunity to speak about secondary suites and express concerns that they have," Hartley said on Tuesday. "I think we identified that, while there may be general support for secondary suites, there are a lot of questions that arise from it."

Most of those questions have involved where and under what conditions secondary suites will be permitted, according to the Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw.

Salt Spring's Islands Trust office has been the subject of criticism from island residents who feel Trust-scheduled public information meetings prevent many residents, especially working people, from having a say.

The sessions are among sev-

eral consultation activities Trust staff intend to hold before the end of August. Sessions will be made available so long as there is demand from island residents and groups. Another suggestion involved setting up an information table at the Saturday or Tuesday markets.

"It depends on the level of interest," she said.

Hartley said she's confident work to legalize secondary suites can be concluded before local government elections in November.

Anyone who would like to schedule a neighbourhood information session can contact the Trust office at 250-537-9144 or by email at ssinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca.

Bookkeeping, Payroll and Tax Services

David Waddington
Certified QuickBooks ProAdvisor

QuickBooks Setup and Training

Personalized Tutoring • Ongoing Support

Specializing In Small Business

537-0854
105-B Hereford Ave



The Gym That Fits!

Memberships as low as \$25/month

See us for details

livingstrongstudios.ca
250.931.5483
120 HEREFORD AVE.

LIVING
STRONG
STUDIO

I will help you design your dream home

Dennis Maguire Architect

Part of the Community since 1965

website:
www.dmarchitect.ca
email:
dmaguire@dmarchitect.ca



HARBOUR HAIR GALLERY
(presently at the Fulford Inn) is

RELOCATING

to 135 Rainbow Road in Ganges
(beside Mid-Island Co-Op gas station)

**NEW LOCATION OPEN
Tuesday, August 2nd**

Call Linda Chapman, Owner/Stylist
for an appointment

250.931.1114

~ Hiring Soon ~

Looking for something in our store?

ASK NIGEL



Windsor Plywood

FINISHING... And BUILDING SUPPLIES

166 Rainbow Road,
PH: 250-537-5564 FAX: 250-537-1207

Open Monday-Friday 7 am - 5:30 pm / Saturday 8 am - 5:30 pm / Closed Sundays




Mouat's
KITCHEN & BATH CENTRE

- Fine Custom Cabinets from MERIT
- Kitchens • Bathrooms
- Offices • Dining Rooms
- Entertainment Units

Carl Borgstrom
Kitchen Designer
250-538-7133

Serving Salt Spring & The Gulf Islands

MOUAT'S TRADING CO. • DOWNTOWN GANGES • SALT SPRING ISLAND



SMOKE ALARMS

FOR EVERY...



Salt Spring senior, physically disabled, and persons on fixed incomes.

These folks will be pleased to hear that the Salt Spring Island Fire/Rescue (SSIFR) and Salt Spring Island Rotary are introducing an exciting new partnership, to ensure these individuals have working, (battery operated) smoke alarms in their homes.

Salt Spring Island Rotarians, created the vision, and have funds to initiate the program this year. SSIFR firefighters will respond to installation requests where they can ascertain the safety needs of people requesting alarms and will install or service battery operated smoke alarms where required.

Site visits will also enable firefighters to help resident's assess their overall home fire safety. Working Smoke Alarms will save more lives than firefighters ever can; and since May of 2010, all homes in British Columbia are required by law to have working smoke alarms. Salt Spring Rotarians and the SSIFR looks forward to helping make our island a safer community.

If you require a request form or additional information, please contact Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue at 250-537-2531 or visit our website, www.saltspringfire.com for an online request form.



NOTE: This program is not designed to replace the responsibility that landlords have to their renters to provide working smoke detectors.

NEWSBEAT

RECREATION

Youthful twist given to PARC grants-in-aid

Island schools considered for funds

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Members of Salt Spring's Parks and Recreation Commission are set to consider changes to their popular grants-in-aid program as a way to encourage school involvement and youth participation.

PARC chair Gregg Dow suggested commissioners earmark up to 15 per cent of the approximately \$35,000 in funds it provides every year through the grants-in-aid program to support student-led recreation projects in island schools.

"They can throw a fair, have a play or host a concert," Dow told commissioners during PARC's monthly meeting on Monday, July 25. "It can be any type of recreational activity that attracts as many people as possible and has total school support."

Projects like the interpretive signs installed along Ganges Creek by students at Salt Spring Elementary School reveal the kind of impact such a move could have, he added.

Dow suggested the proposal as a way to use funds left over from the grants-in-aid program. He stressed the grants program will still consider applications from community organizations as it has in the past.

"Since we have sufficient funds, what I'm suggesting is something a little bit different," he said. "I just want to see what kind of exciting things can come out of this because sometimes when you go through the grants-in-aid process it's the same old type of projects."

Commissioner Gayle Baker suggested representatives from community organizations outside of the school district may raise objections to the proposal as more groups vie for limited funds.

"We are kind of changing the rules," she said.

Garth Hendren, Salt Spring's Capital Regional District director, voiced support for the project, but suggested it could only be implemented during PARC's spring 2012 grants-in-aid period due to the short time between the first day of school and the fall deadline.

Commissioners will discuss the proposal at their budgetary retreat later this month.

PARC awards grants-in-aid funding twice a year to successful applicants "on the basis of demonstrated need in the community, the recognized need of the organization and the service responsibility of the organization." Funds are distributed during the fall and spring.

Applications can be downloaded from PARC's CRD website at www.crd.bc.ca/ssiparc/grants.htm.



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

QUACKED: This mother swan lets the photographer know she'd like him further away from her cygnets in Ganges Harbour.

PARC NEWS

Fulford tennis court and Camp Colossal in full swing

Track upgrade and parks master plan also on activity list

BY KEES RUURS
PARC GENERAL MANAGER

Summer has arrived so we can all go outside and enjoy some of the many recreational opportunities our island has to offer.

Fulford tennis court

The Fulford tennis court is open again with a brand new surface and net.

A windscreen for the court is on order and the Salt Spring Tennis Association will be constructing a tennis wall. Come and check out what is now the best public tennis court on the island.

Trails

The new trail-head signs have been installed at Bryant Hill Park and on the connecting trail down to

Peter Arnell park from Bryant Hill. This is a strenuous hike that takes you around Bryant Hill Park (about 2 km) and then down to Peter Arnell via the connector trail (another 2.2 km).

You'll need good footwear because there are some steep sections in this connector trail.

The trail system through Peter Arnell now also has all its directional signs installed so you can't get lost.

Maps of the entire Channel Ridge trail system are available at the PARC office in Portlock Park.

Camp Colossal

The PARC summer day camp is in full swing with a new activity every day. Have your children ever built a cardboard city, or played in the world cup or visited Treasure Island? If not, here's their chance. Camp starts every weekday morning at 8 a.m. at the Portlock PARC office

and ends with a swim at the pool. Drop your child off, \$30 a day, and he/she will have a great time outdoors.

Parks System Master Plan

The latest draft of the Parks System Master Plan for Salt Spring has been completed and can be found on the PARC website: www.crd.bc.ca/ssiparc. Have a look at it and if you have any comments or suggestions, please let us know either by emailing us at park@saltspring.com or writing to 145 Vesuvius Bay Rd., SSI, V8K 1K3.

Rainbow Road Pool

The summer schedule and program at the pool is in full swing. Swim lessons for youth and adults and advanced lifeguarding courses are available throughout the summer.

Call the pool, 250-537-1402, to register. Stroke correction clinics are also being offered and the third annual swim meet was held from July 22 to 24. The pool was closed for regular swims during that weekend.

Track improvements

Users of the track in Portlock Park will see some strange new patches on it later this month.

We are trying out some new materials because the old stand-by, cinders, is no longer available for resurfacing.

If you have any comments about these new materials, we would like to hear from you. Just call us at 250-537-4448 or drop in at the office to let us know what you think.



RECYCLE TO WIN

AN ECO-FRIENDLY RIDE AT YOUR LOCAL RETURN-IT DEPOT.

A PAIR OF VESPA SCOOTERS

A BRAND NEW SMART CAR

A PAIR OF MOUNTAIN BIKES



SSBD
Salt Spring Island Bottle Depot

TURN YOUR EMPTIES INTO A NEW SET OF WHEELS.

From now until September 5th, return your empty beverage container for a chance to win one of three eco-friendly rides! Look for the official ballot box at The Salt Spring Island Bottle Depot, 370 Lower Ganges Road (next to Pharmasave)

For contest details and a list of participating depots, visit return-it.ca/winit.

No purchase necessary. Open only to BC residents age 19 or over. Limits one entry per person and per household per day. Contest ends September 5th, 2011. For full contest details, visit return-it.ca/winit.

GET NOTICED

page 20

DISCOVER MAYNE ISLAND for the day!

Come over via Salt Spring Water Taxi from Ganges Harbour to Miner's Bay, the heart of Mayne Island.

Spend the day visiting:

- OUR FARMERS MARKET • JAIL (now MUSEUM)
- LOCAL SHOPS • RESTAURANTS • ARTISANS

All within easy walking distance of the dock or use our Car Stop Programme to get to Lighthouse Park, Fernhill shopping area and Beaches.

Why not have a taste of Mayne on Saturdays!

SATURDAYS - Depart Ganges 9:00 AM Arrive Mayne 10:00
Depart Mayne 4:00 PM Arrive Ganges 4:50 **\$30 return** no charge for bikes

Don't forget to get your discount coupon when you arrive

www.mayneislandchamber.ca

TERILL WELCH PHOTOGRAPH

NEWSBEAT

LOCAL FOOD

Sailors chart gastronomical adventure

Trio bites into region's culinary delights

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

When it comes to a month-long sailing expedition along the northwestern coast of North America, apple-stuffed quail served over wild carrots with an Oregon grape reduction is probably the last thing one would expect to have prepared and served in the galley.

But that's just one example of the feasts three young Vancouver Island men have been cooking up since they departed on a journey to rediscover the region's wild and locally farmed foods from Victoria early last week.

Janusz Urban, Brendan Harris and Arran Jackson don't intend to suffer through their 30-plus day journey. Instead, the plan is to take in as many flavours and varieties of wild and farmed foods as they can while making the voyage through the islands of the Salish Sea between southern Vancouver Island and Desolation Sound.

"We have to keep reminding people it's not really a survival project, it's more of a culinary project," said Harris, the expedition's captain. "The idea is to feature the wild foods as a supplement to the local farmed foods that we find along the way."

During their visit to Salt Spring, that meant plenty of locally gathered berries, Salt Spring Island wine and some internationally acclaimed blue cheese.

The spread capped off two days of hitchhiking between island farms and meeting local farmers and fellow wild food devotees. "We couldn't miss Salt Spring," Harris said, "Someone here told us it's the organic food capital of Canada."

With the bright summer sun shining over Tiki, a 29-foot sailboat built in 1975, at the Kanaka Dock, it's hard to imagine a better



Captain Brendan Harris tends to the herb garden on board the Tiki during a recent sojourn in Ganges Harbour.

way to spend summer in the Gulf Islands.

The plan is to push northward to Tthesis, Denman and Texada islands where further discoveries await.

According to Urban, the trip's head chef, a surprising-yet-pleasant discovery has been the diversity of foods between each region.

After only a week, the sailboat is already well provisioned with locally produced salt, sea asparagus, huckleberries, wild strawberries, Queen Anne's lace and choke cherries. In addition to those apple-stuffed quail, the menu has included gourmet dishes like morel ravioli and herb-stuffed rabbit bellies.

As the Tiki meanders its way northward during the next month, the trio plans to eat more shellfish and fish gathered or caught along the route.

Along with an onboard grill, the Tiki is equipped with a modest 12-volt fridge and

manual down-rigger to haul in the catch of the day.

The idea for this trip came several years ago when the group was sailing through the Caribbean, where they roughed it on a diet that included freshly speared grouper, coconut pancakes and just about any spice that comes to mind.

Last year, on a cruise through the Gulf Islands that featured Manila clams, oysters and salmon, the men realized they didn't necessarily have to travel south in search of a wild culinary experience.

"We were shocked by the bounty," Harris said. "We realized that you don't need to be in the Caribbean to live well off the land because we have our own paradise right here."

For a look at what's on tonight's menu, check in with the expedition online at www.foragersgalley.com.

SAM ANDERSON APPLIANCE REPAIR

Prompt, Reliable and Professional Service
Factory Certified Warranty Technician
for all Makes and Models
Hot Water Tank and Appliance Installation
Licenced Refrigeration. Fully Insured.
Emergency Service.



TEL: 250-537-5268
FAX: 250-537-1100
samander@telus.net

AUTHORIZED WARRANTY FOR

AEG, ASKO, BERTAZZONI, BLUE STAR, BLOMBERG, BOSCH, DCS, DACOR, DANBY, ELECTROLUX, ELICA, FABER, FISHER PAYKEL, FRIGIDAIRE, GE, GAGGENAU, HOTPOINT, INGLIS, KITCHENAID, LG, MARVELLE, MAYTAG, MIELE, SUB ZERO, ULTRALINE, THERMADOR, VIKING, WEST KING, WHIRLPOOL.

ON CALL & ON TIME



TROY KAYE

Our Island's
only Interprovincial
Journeyman Glaziers

- Auto Glass
- Residential & Commercial
- Aluminum Fabrication
- Custom Skylights
- Mirrors & Shower Doors
- Custom Sunrooms

Free Estimates
Your "clear" choice for glass.



Kapa Kai Glass
250-653-4148

ROTHWELL • WILSON



Salt Spring Realty



NORMAN ROTHWELL 250.537.5166



MYLES WILSON 250.537.7200



- * Tranquil 15 acres, south end
- * Long winding driveway through mature forest.
- * Home designed for entertaining in mind
- * Guest cottage as well as numerous out buildings

\$989,000



- * A Gardener's Delight!! and easy to maintain!
- * Two bedrooms, one bathroom, plus large sunroom.
- * Located on the back perimeter of Brinkworthy.
- * Three raised garden beds, two apple trees, raspberry etc.

\$179,500



- * Great family home on a sunny lot offering a West Coast flare.
- * Flexible floor plan located in a convenient quiet area with-in minutes of Ganges.
- * 2 bedroom in-law suite for a family member or used as part of the main living quarters.

\$579,000



- * Very private, two level home, surrounded by trees.
- * 3 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bathrooms, with stone fireplace.
- * 1 bedroom in-law suite with oak cabinets, solarium, 3 pc bath, light and airy.
- * Large separate garage/workshop.

\$469,000



- * Low bank walk on waterfront property located on the north end
- * Spectacular ocean views and views to Galiano island.
- * Walk for miles on the shore and enjoy this unique 7 acres,
- * 2 older homes are located on the property.

\$899,000



- * South End Home close to many walking trails and park.
- * Two bedrooms and a den as well as lower level.
- * The home has many craftsmen touches plus vaulted ceiling and open airy feeling.
- * Southwest facing deck.

\$399,000



- * Sunny, private 2.18 acres only minutes to Ganges.
- * Level entry home has 2400 sqft on 2 floors with a nice open floor plan.
- * Main level-2 bedrooms, 2 baths.
- * Lower level-2 bedrooms, 4pc bathroom and a large family room, Great in-law suite area.

\$569,000



- * Situated at the end of a winding country lane, surrounded by large acreages
- * This cozy two bedroom home is in a pristine condition.
- * An acre of land with ample water and South facing.
- * PLUS walking trails in the 100's of acres of Park land nearby.

\$379,000



- * Looking for an Island Hobby Farm? - 7.75 acres.
- * Vast majority fenced and cross fenced.
- * The main home has 3 bedrooms/2 baths plus teenager room.
- * The land is completely private and very quiet. PLUS guest cottage

\$569,000



- * A wonderful combination of sandy beach, warm swimming, and safe moorage.
- * Two bedrooms & den, two baths plus a separate wing for guest accommodations.
- * A low-maintenance yard, cozy warm patio, detached workshop, attached carport.

\$899,000

Opinion



Gold - Feature Series (Affordable Housing)
Gold - Ad Design (Soapworks) | Gold - Special Section (50th Anniversary)
Silver - Editorial Page | Bronze - General Excellence
Bronze - Community Newspaper Magazine (Gulf Islands)
2011 Canadian Community Newspapers Association Awards
Gold - Photo Essay (Day in the Life)
Gold - Special Section (Driftwood 50th Anniversary)
Bronze - General Excellence | Bronze - Ad Design (Soapworks)
Bronze - Special Publication (Gulf Islands)
2011 BC & Yukon Community Newspapers Association Awards



EDITORIAL

Spinning a story

Summer is a notoriously slow time in the news business.

That's mainly due to a dearth of political news and because major projects are put on hold through the season of vacations.

Accordingly, we shouldn't be surprised to see such a big fuss being made in the national and regional media about the banning of a non-resident man from Salt Spring until his Aug. 10 court date in Ganges. Donovan Seward faces charges of fraudulently obtaining food, resisting arrest and assaulting a police officer.

Somebody's eye clearly caught the "Dine-and-dash man expelled from island" headline in the July 20 Driftwood and thought it unusual enough to warrant some elaboration from a civil rights point of view. From there it was spun into a case of the idyllic island, with its "largely well-off" population of "retired musicians, artists, politicians and writers," not tolerating homeless people in their backyard.

THE ISSUE:

Treatment of Island ban story

WE SAY:

Off-island media get it wrong

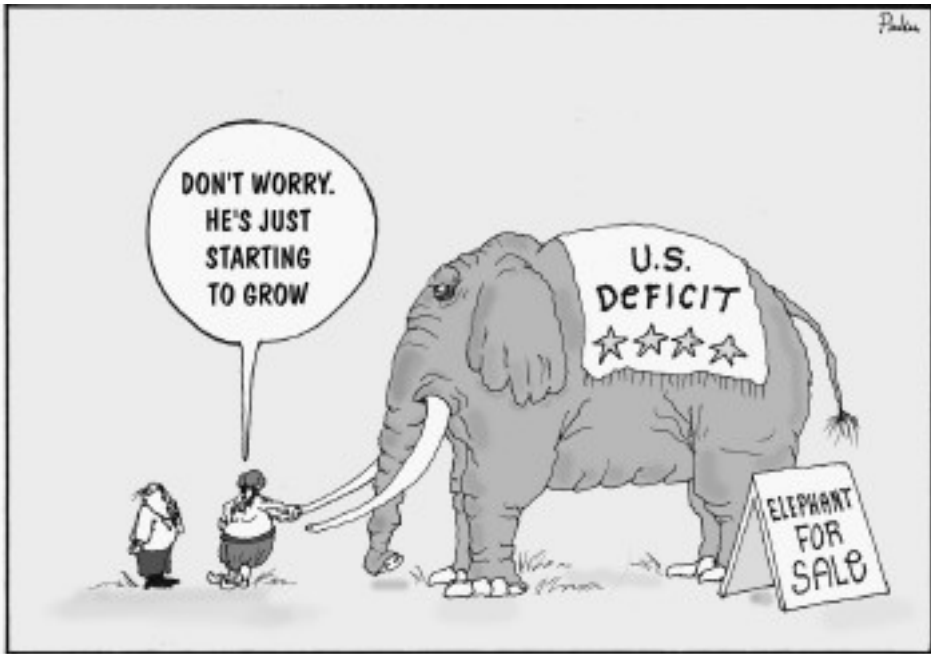
That's not to say that islanders are 100 per cent understanding of issues facing the less fortunate on the island, with a lack of treatment for mental illness and addictions at the core of the problem.

But it's not correct to characterize this case as the beginning of a trend or arising specifically because of the individual's homeless status or island attitudes.

Anyone who's attended Ganges Provincial Court (or read this newspaper) on a regular basis over the years would know that an island-ban condition is not such a rarity, especially in cases where an individual has been charged with assault. It has also been applied when the accused has history and family connections on the island, which the gentleman in question does not have.

And as Salt Spring RCMP Sgt. George Jenkins has pointed out, it's not practical to ban a person from only Ganges and Fulford, where the offences occurred, because it would otherwise be difficult to acquire provisions and eat.

An all-island ban sounds like a Draconian imposition, but it's nothing new and it's not related to island attitudes.



Culture of peace is constructed

BY IAN SLAKOV

For decades now, Salt Spring peace activists have commemorated Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day as part of their efforts to prevent and end war.

These efforts to build peace are rooted in the belief that "since wars begin in the minds of men [people], it is in the minds of men [people] that the defence of peace must be constructed." Citizens can make a difference!

Elizabeth May, a true leader on the path towards a culture of peace, is this year's speaker. One of her current concerns is the "opportunity costs" of the Conservative plan to spend \$16 billion on F-35 fighter planes. If that money were spent on affordable housing, renewable energy and conservation, a guaranteed farm income program, etc. — would it not do much more to promote peace and security than paying it to Lockheed Martin for fuel-guzzling fighter jets?

To add to the craziness, researchers at the Rideau Institute have forced the government to acknowledge the astonishing fact that engines are not part of that deal!

With a Conservative majority government, the chances of preventing this waste of taxes and resources does seem small... but this is no time to give up! That Conservative majority depends on 14 seats. The 14 seats which the Conservatives won by narrow margins (just nine votes in one case) were won with a total margin of 6,201 Conservative votes. That is less than the 7,359 vote margin of victory for Elizabeth May in our riding.

But more important than numbers of votes is what goes on "in the minds of people." In a world where we see, increasingly, that the greatest threats to our security stem not from the actions of some enemy, but from how we use resources, perhaps the greatest thing we can do to promote peace is to learn to be resourceful — to do more with less material stuff. Noted Canadian physicist and pacifist Ursula Franklin explains that, "Violence is most usefully defined as resourcelessness... Once we recognize violence as resourcelessness [...] the nature of nonviolence as resourcefulness comes into focus." With this understanding, our response to threats of violence can be transformed — so

VIEWPOINT

that instead of seeking to "neutralize" an "enemy," we can work to find the resources (psychic as well as physical) to meet our mutual needs, thus addressing the root cause of the violence.

An essential aspect of resourcefulness is understanding that nonviolence is not merely an absence of violence, but the "force more powerful." At a personal level, it is clear that love/nonviolence fosters personal growth much more than coercion or violence. What about at a societal level? Unfortunately, many stories of nonviolence get neglected, but they could be a powerful part of our education.

Just one example: Hannah Arendt wrote about how non-violent action had a profound effect during WWI: "It was not just that the people of Denmark refused to assist in implementing the Final Solution, as the peoples of so many other conquered nations [did] — but also, that when the Reich cracked down and decided to do the job itself it found that its own personnel in Denmark had been infected by this and were unable to overcome their human aversion with the appropriate ruthlessness, as their peers in more cooperative areas had."

I wish it were possible to share more examples, some very moving and powerful. This gives rise to an idea: A story project, to be ready for Remembrance Day. If anyone would like to work with me on this, please get in touch.

Creating a culture of peace is not something we can do effectively alone; we need each other. And so we invite you to be part of this year's Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day event, with Elizabeth May and song leader Barbara Slater, on Aug. 9 at 4 p.m. in the Peace Park across from ArtSpring. You are welcome to bring something to sit on and some flowers — or just yourself!

For more information, contact Salt Spring Voice of Women for Peace members at 250-537-4567 (Marion), 250-653-4283 (Marg) or janslakov@shaw.ca.

The writer is VOW's national secretary and involved in several other peace/justice/environmental groups.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

Does the U.S. debt crisis make you nervous?

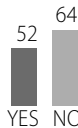
☐ Yes ☐ No

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.

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION:

Is it time to consider a bridge for Salt Spring?



Driftwood

Published every Wednesday by Driftwood Publishing Ltd.
328 Lower Ganges Rd., Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3
Phone: 250-537-9933 Fax: 250-537-2613 Toll Free: 1-877-537-9934
Email: driftwood@gulfislands.net Website: www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday

Yearly Subscription Rates:

In the Gulf Islands \$53.20* Elsewhere in Canada \$89.60*
Six months elsewhere in Canada \$61.60* Outside Canada \$235.00
* Includes HST

We acknowledge the financial support of the Government of Canada through the Canada Periodical Fund (CPF) for our publishing activities.



International Standards Serial Number 1198-7782



Tony Richards
PUBLISHER
trichards@gulfislands.net



Gail Sjuberg
MANAGING EDITOR
news@gulfislands.net



Lorraine Sullivan
PRODUCTION MANAGER
production@gulfislands.net



Eva Kuhn
OFFICE MANAGER
ekuhn@gulfislands.net

Editorial: Sean McIntyre, Susan Lundy, Derrick Lundy, Elizabeth Nolan
Production: Kaye Segee Advertising: Rick MacKinnon, Kim Young, Erin Jory

Member of: Canadian Community Newspapers Association, B.C. & Yukon Community Newspapers Association, B.C. Press Council



IslandVoices

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"Although the bathtub and the boatbuilding shed got us going, our old friends can no longer serve our community."

CRD DIRECTOR GARTH HENDREN, ON THE OLD LIBRARY

SALT SPRING SAYS

We asked: How do you feel about people being banished from Salt Spring until their court date?

**JUDY MCLENNAN**

We may never see them again, but that doesn't solve individual problems.

**RICK FREEWORLD**

I like that idea. It comes down to karma.

**JEFF EDWARDS**

I believe in second chances. If it's a first-time offender, that's a little harsh. If it's someone who is always causing trouble, get him out of here.

**DAWN O'MALEY**

I think all people should have the freedom to live where they want to live.

**JOSH CATT**

It's got kind of a wild west vibe to it.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor are welcome, but writers are requested to keep their submissions to 350 words or less. 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. Read and reply to letters online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com under the Opinion tab.

Ambitious projects

I read with interest last week's letter from Peter Blackmore on the subject of boosting tourism in Ganges.

Peter makes many useful and thought-provoking suggestions for improving not only tourism infrastructure in Ganges but also quality of life itself in the village.

Reference is made to the lack of pedestrian-friendly walkways and the predominance of the car in Ganges. Peter might well have also touched on the lack of proper bike lanes in the village.

The Salt Spring Transportation Commission recognizes these shortcomings and is determined to address them to the benefit of both islanders and visitors alike.

Happily, some modest progress is being made pre-

dominantly by Island Pathways under the inspired leadership of Jean Gelwicks and her hardworking group of volunteers.

Three pathways have been built with CRD support in north Ganges in recent years and two more are planned for 2011 as part of a Ganges Pathway Network Master Plan.

At the same time, much energy, time and money has been devoted to an ambitious project to build side-walks and bikeways in north Ganges village and on Rainbow Road to improve safety and security for pedestrians and cyclists as well as motorists. The engineering plans are complete and Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure approval is pending.

In addition, the Transportation Commission has conducted an informal survey on the pros and cons of introducing traffic-calming measures in the village to

make it safer, more beautiful, more welcoming to those on foot and less car-centric. Islanders would appear to be strongly in favour.

While the commission may have ambitious plans and dreams, there are challenges associated with both these initiatives.

First, transportation infrastructure does not get built for free and it is not cheap.

Gas tax refunds and even MoTI contributions cannot be expected to pay 100 per cent of the bill; we will need the help of Salt Spring taxpayers as well in due course.

Second, as MoTI has rightly pointed out, our main street in Ganges is also the island's main artery linking Vesuvius and Fulford.

We want to calm the traffic in the village, but it must still be allowed to flow and our friends at MoTI need to

be a willing partner in any such endeavour.

DONALD MCLENNAN,
CHAIR, SSI TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

EMR science

All those people advocating the "precautionary principle" in regards to electromagnetic emissions on the island, may it be additional cell-phone towers or smart meters, likely do not understand the science behind it.

In the case of cell phones, they emit different amounts of radiation depending on where they are with respect to a wireless operator's cell-phone tower. Cell phones are constantly communicating with cell-phone towers, but the further away the subscriber is from the cell tower, the weaker the signal. In order to connect to the cell tower, the device must boost its power, which increases the

amount of radiation emitted.

This means that if you get no reception and your phone is in search mode, or if you are talking in Fulford with a very low signal, you get the full blast your phone has to offer. Rough estimates show that a minute of talk time in a "red zone," where the radiation is likely higher because of a poor cell-phone signal, is equivalent to the amount of exposure you'd get talking on the phone for three hours in a "green zone," where reception is good and the radiation emitted from a cell phone is much less. So for everyone who decides to carry a cell phone and seeks to reduce exposure, the solution is more towers and stronger coverage on the island, not less.

You also have to understand that signal strength falls off as the square of the distance to the source.

At 10 times the distance between the cell phone and your head, the signal strength is 100 times less, and at 100 times the distance, it would be 10,000 times less. So putting your phone an inch away from your head or using an earpiece will do a lot for you.

The amounts of radiation you will receive from a smart meter at your garage wall or from your neighbour talking on his cell phone are so minuscule you would have a hard time even measuring them.

People who understand electromagnetic radiation worry more about the specific frequency their spring coil mattress receives or about what happens to you when you stare in the microwave to see your food turn than about smart meters. I want one.

ANDREAS GEDEON,
LONG HARBOUR

MORE LETTERS continued on 10

HST referendum: more confused than ever

I had long ago given up on finding that HST Referendum Voting Package. It had arrived in the mail what seemed like months ago and I had set it aside in a special place reserved for important papers because the deadline of 4:30 p.m. July 22 seemed so far off in the future. As the aforementioned date drew near I struggled to remember exactly where that designated "special place" was.

When I finally located the missing ballot, the realization sunk in that the July 22 deadline had come and gone. I shrugged and tossed the unopened envelope aside. Not long afterward, I was made aware that the final mail-in date had been pushed back by two weeks on account of the Canada Post strike, and the new "drop dead" mark was now Aug. 5.

Once again I battled to resurrect that misplaced envelope containing the ballot. After a considerable amount of searching, I found the goods. This time it had been buried under a fortress of flyers, leaflets, unwanted magazines, newspaper inserts and piles of other forms of junk mail. It lay wedged between several envelopes from various questionable lending institutions offering me unlimited credit if I were to only consolidate my debt load with them, and a glossy brochure promising me a free house in the Florida Everglades if I ordered and prepaid for a set of steak knives.

It's not that I was wholly unaware of the

issues surrounding the Harmonized Sales Tax controversy. For some time now, the debate on this hot topic had raged on in newspapers, magazines, electronic media and on the internet. Thousands of powder-blue roadside placards had appeared virtually overnight imploring the public to vote "yes." (For the longest time I was under the dubious impression that HST was a multiple listing realty company and the entire island was on the market.)

Having finally located the missing envelope, I opened it carefully and inspected the voting package. There was no shortage in the amount of confusion that immediately overcame me. For one thing, the wording of the referendum question itself taxed my mental acuity. It went something like this: Are you more or less in favour or less or more not in favour of not unextinguishing the HST and maybe or maybe not reinstating those other taxes that we had back in the good old days? Yes or no.

The obvious next step was to apply several drops of Visine to each eyeball and wait for the double vision to clear. I considered going to the referendum website and ordering the package in one of the alternate 16 languages available (including Arabic, Chi-

**Shilo Zylbergold**

NOBODY ASKED ME BUT

nese-Simplified, Chinese-Traditional, Farsi, Vietnamese and Tagalog) in hope that I would have an easier time making my choice. As my sense of sight slowly returned, however, I plodded on with the remaining instructions. After marking my ballot with an X or a check mark, I was to place the ballot in Secrecy Envelope A, put the Secrecy Envelope in Certification Envelope B, and then deposit envelope B in the yellow Ballot Package Envelope C and seal it.

To all intents and purposes, I was triple bagging my ballot. Was this Elections BC running the referendum or the CSIS spy agency? Upon further thought, I realized that these extreme security measures were justified because the government didn't want such deeply sensitive and volatile information to fall into the wrong hands.

So is it going to be the 12 per cent Harmonized Sales Tax (which may or may not be lowered to 10 percentage points by 2014), or will it be (back by popular demand) the return of the combined Goods and Services Tax along with the Provincial Sales Tax which together may also total the same 12 per cent figure? When all is said and done, it may be a question of 12 of one, a dozen of the other.

The "wild card" in the whole rigmarole is the probability that there will be a provincial election in the near future and any new government will be free to establish its own tax rate. Nobody who thinks the provincial tax (in whatever form — HST or PST) will actually go down and stay down is welcome to my set of steak knives and free house in Florida.

The HST debate is not limited to B.C. alone. Four other provinces have also adopted a harmonized tax ranging from a similar 12 per cent in Ontario to a whopping 15 per cent in Nova Scotia (prompting many Haligonians to refer to the capital as "Hell-i-Tax"). Nobody asked me, but donating 15 per cent to your provincial government is tantamount to leaving a gratuity tip for the taxman and thanking him for "just being there."

As for me, I'm not about to divulge where I will be placing my "X" or check mark. Far be it from me to try to influence your vote one way or the other or even to persuade you to triple bag your ballot and post it at all. After reading this, no matter which way you decide to vote, at least your decision will be more (or less) informed. No need to thank me 'cause I'm more confused than ever.

Now where did I just put that ballot?

thyme2001@hotmail.com

IS YOUR WELL WATER SAFE TO DRINK?

Contamination can occur without changes in colour or taste.

\$25.00 per test • Results in 24 hours
Be Safe • Test Annually!



2062 Henry Avenue W.
Sidney, B.C. V8L 1Y5

656-1334

THERE'S NO PRICE LIKE HOME



Call
Kevin, Bill, Deacon,
Steve, Luke or Jason
for service

\$8888*
plus taxes

Don't open your hood to strangers

HONDA SUMMER SERVICE PLUS INCLUDES:

- ✓ Oil and filter change. Check for fluid leaks
- ✓ Battery load/charging test
- ✓ Coolant level and freeze point
- ✓ Inspect all brakes for wear % and condition
- ✓ Inspect tire wear and pressure
- ✓ Inspect brake calipers, wheel cylinders and parking brake
- ✓ Inspect transmission fluid level, power steering fluid level (if applicable), brake fluid level, clutch fluid level (if applicable). Pressure test cooling system, inspect related hoses and clamps
- ✓ Inspect drive belt condition (excludes timing belt)
- ✓ Inspect distributor cap, rotor and wires
- ✓ Inspect windshield wipers, washers jets and blades
- ✓ Tire rotation
- ✓ Washer fluid top-up
- ✓ Inspect exhaust system
- ✓ Inspect springs and shock absorbers
- ✓ Inspect all lights and bulbs
- ✓ Inspect and lubricate door locks, latches, handles
- ✓ Inspect block heater cord (if equipped)

BRITISH COLUMBIA
Honda
DEALERS
www.BCHonda.com

*Applicable to all Honda vehicles only.



6466 Bell McKinnon Road, Duncan
www.discoveryhonda.com
1-800-673-9276

DL#5963

Follow us on twitter Facebook to Discover... more Great Deals

OPINION

RANTS and Roses

Rants

To whomever is connected with the missing of my blue-handled, stainless-steel garden fork and my long-handled aluminum shovel: These are/were my working tools and are

dearly missed! Could they somehow reappear where they used to be? Ghislaine Jauselon

On Saturday morning a young man in a pickup truck raced over the Fernwood hill by the school at an estimated 110 km per hour. He ran over and killed my large, geriatric dog Jasper right in front of my friend, who was walking the dog. The young man saw Jasper. He could have braked. He could have swerved. He consciously chose to run him down. He could have pulled over to see if there was anything he could do. He chose to speed away without a second thought. There is a special place in Hell for weasels. P.Vincent

Roses

A market basket of multi-coloured roses to the generous Saturday market vendors who filled the ArtSpring Treasure Faire auction market basket to overflowing with their wares. Thanks very much. Anne

One hundred sweet-scented classic antique roses to Jean at Lady Minto Thrift Shop for going above and beyond the call of duty to help a

young family starting out in their new home. NR

A sweet rose to Jason Moulton. Your dedication and hard work you give to our family every day is cherished deeply in my heart. Thank you so much for loving us the way you do. Great job last week-end. I love you so much. Tami Benoit

Many roses and thanks to Parks and Recreation and a special thanks to Stephen and Anne Bent for their generous donation to the great renovations at Fulford public tennis court. The backboard is coming and a new bench for resting or watching. Enjoy, SSTA players and all islanders and visitors. Thank you so much. Pat Lazenby, SSTA court maintenance

To each volunteer who helped make this year's Golf Fore the Cure a huge success, a luscious bouquet of roses wrapped up in pink ribbon. Without Karen Davies, Darlene Wellington, Pat Low, Dora Reynolds, Trudy Sloan, Elaine Shaw, Alice Richards, Hamish Simpson, Larry Davies, Frank Johnstone, Linda Tremblay, Susan Russell, Joanna Barrett, Morgan Savin, Pat Lavender, Alysha Col-

lette, Tim McBride, Gladys Campbell, Shelagh Brady, Linda Woodley, Pam Elliott, Anne MacAulay, Denise Heaton, Tricia Simpson and Dennis Wheatley it could not have happened.

A huge bouquet of roses to our library and all its hard-working volunteers. Their work and their friendly, helpful and welcoming demeanour mean so much to our community. Every time our grandchildren visit I make certain I have the maximum number of library books to read to them. Many, many thanks. Rae Jessiman

The members of the Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Art present a huge bouquet of red roses to all who lent a hand and brush to the gallery's new building colours. With many hands the job is complete and the building transformed. Your help with this project is greatly appreciated.

Many red roses and thanks to Country Grocer for the use of its pop-up shelters and a big farmers bouquet of roses to Barry at the Farmers' Institute for the use of tables to help our residents enjoy their BBQ at Heritage Place.

A Japanese garden of roses for Richard Murakami, whose enduring kindness, friendly wit and attention to detail ensures a place in the heart of so many islanders. My son in Toronto calls you "a hero." My daughter agrees. Thanks, Richard, for ongoing service above and beyond! Marie

An enormous bunch of waterlilies to everyone who participated in the Salt Spring Tennis Association Cross-the-Lake Swim! The swimmers were dauntless, the kayakers were diligent, the drivers, starters, financiers and administrative help were all highly efficient, and a wonderful time was had by all. Thank you to all our sponsors — and participants — you have much to be proud of. Ann Stewart

Armloads of wild B.C. roses to all those who have supported me in my ongoing struggle to recover from the serious head injury I suffered in a car accident in February. I thank each and every one who has assisted me in so many ways and I feel greatly blessed to have so many wonderful Salt Springers cheering me on. Maureen Moore

Scandal in making

Regarding the July 20 Driftwood editorial ("CRD water rip-off"), runaway capital costs are only part of the problem.

The CRD also charges project administration fees for superintending the upgrades. The longer the project takes, the more fees collected by the CRD. Moreover,

the CRD will not account for the way it manages projects, saying only that its errors must be paid for by service area subscribers.

That is the CRD's interpretation of the Local Government Act: negligence is just another cost of the service. There is no accountability and no incentive for the CRD to act competently.

A sleeper issue is whether the upgrades will be possible to licence for service since the CRD

may not have documented or possibly even engaged engineering approvals at various benchmark stages of the upgrade. It is possible that water service areas will be left with inoperable white elephants that have been a total waste of area subscribers' money.

There is a scandal in the making.
MICHAEL FRIEDMAN,
SKY VALLEY ROAD

Keep Smiling...

THOUGHTS & NEWS

I have a crooked sign in front of my office.

from Dr. Richard Hayden

It was hit by a car some time ago.

Oddly enough no one ever mentioned the sign when it was upright yet now I am told about it all the time.

In the grocery store, at Foxglove, even one day as I'm running along the road at top speed a driver slows down (they didn't need to slow too much though) and tell me I have a crooked sign.

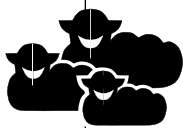
Now I don't want to fix it. Everyone notices it and that is the point of a sign. (sorry Warren)

It does make me think though. We do notice things 'out of place'.

Does your smile have a 'crooked sign' that you would rather have go unnoticed. Do you have a tooth that is being noticed because of a missing filling or fracture? Is there some other out of place thing in your oral or general health that has become noticeable?

Our Services:

- Laser treatment for gum disease
- Alignment of crooked teeth
- Emergencies and pain relief
- Invisalign...invisible braces
- Surgical implants for rock solid teeth
- Dentures • Cosmetic dentistry
- Botox cosmetic



We have a smile for you!

199 Saltspring Way, Saltspring Island, V8K 2G2
250 537 1400

Visit our website: www.saltspringdentist.com

Dr Richard Hayden Island Dental Centre

PUBLIC HEARING TODAY!

What is Proposed Bylaw 448?

A New Bylaw to Support Local Food Processing and Improve the Viability of Home-based Businesses!



In response to *Industrial Task Force Report* (2009), the Area Farm Plan (2008), and community input, proposed Bylaw 448 amends Salt Spring Island Land Use Bylaw 355 to support local food processing as "farm related light industry" and to improve the viability of home occupations by relaxing restrictions on home-based businesses.

Industrial Farm Uses:

• A new definition for "industry, farm-related light" has been added to allow food processing within industrial zones where light Industrial uses are permitted.

Home Based Businesses:

• Proposed new rules increase the area and number of employees allowed in home-based businesses.

• The amendment will allow more employees to work at home-based businesses, using a two-tiered approach:

* On properties smaller than 1.2 hectares (3 acres), two people who do not live on the property can be employed there;

* On properties greater than 1.2 hectares (3 acres), three people who do not live on the property can be employed there.

• The size allowance would also be two-tiered:

* On properties 1.2 hectares (3 acres) or smaller, the maximum area for a home based business is still 70 square metres (753 square feet) but on properties greater than 1.2 hectares (3 acres), the maximum area that can be used by a home based business is 150 square metres (1,614 square feet).

• The amendments also relax noise restrictions by removing the requirements that noise must be less than 40dB (about the volume of a whisper – 60dB is the volume of normal conversation). Instead, the new regulations are less specific by saying that home based businesses should not create noise that is audible from outside the property boundaries.

Come find out more ~ Let us know what you think!
Wednesday August 3, 2011, Community Gospel Chapel
Community Information Meeting at 5:00-6:00 PM
Public Hearing at 7:00 PM

For more information, please visit
<http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/itc/ss/lubproject2010.cfm> or contact the Islands Trust at (250) 537-9144

OPINION

No authority

Proposed Bylaw 448 goes to public hearing this evening (Wednesday).

Section 4 of the bylaw attempts to control a variety of nuisances that may be experienced by neighbours of home-based businesses. Though the public might approve of such regulation and the LTC may wish to protect neighbours from nuisances, the LTC has no statutory authority to regulate nuisances of the kinds listed. This provision of the proposed bylaw is ultra vires and cannot be enforced.

In B.C., local authorities have some power to regulate nuisances. The province grants regional districts authority to regulate "nuisances and disturbances" in Section 725 of the Local Government Act. The province grants municipalities authority to regulate "nuisances, disturbances, and other objectionable situations" in Section 64 of the Community Charter.

However, the LTC is neither a regional district nor a municipality. Its authority over land use comes from Section 29 of the Islands Trust Act. The act and its regulations do not convey nuisance regulation powers from the province, either directly or by reference to the Local Government Act and the Community Charter.

The LTC should remove Section 4 of the proposed bylaw to avoid needless litigation and expense in the future or, if they consider Section 4 an inseparable part of the package, reconsider the bylaw altogether.

NORBERT SCHLENKER,
SALT SPRING

More than Burgoyne

The July 20 Driftwood coverage about the 10th anniversary of the creation of Burgoyne Bay Provincial Park was welcome.

As pointed out by trustee Christine Torgimson in her recent article ("Can the community find some common ground?"), it is important that we understand how much we have accomplished on Salt Spring and what we can achieve as a community if we work together constructively.

In the past 10 years, we have built dozens of affordable housing units for families and seniors, a community pool, pathways, established public transit, secured land for a newly established farm land trust, created a climate action council, and are on our way to establishing community-owned food processing facilities and building a new library.

These are just a few examples of our accomplishments of which any community in B.C. would be proud.

No accomplishment has been more remark-

able than the creation of over 4,500 acres of park land and protected areas over the past decade.

The original vision of the South and West Salt Spring Conservation Partnership, created by Briony Penn and Jacky Booth, continues to this day. Since the establishment of Burgoyne park, hundreds of acres of green space have been protected by BC Parks, the Salt Spring Island Conservancy and the CRD from Mount Erskine to Mount Tuam.

While it has received almost no attention locally, the Nature Trust is close to acquiring the last parcel of land on the north side of Burgoyne Bay to complete the protection of the largest Garry oak reserve in B.C.

The protection of the Maxwell Lake watershed as part of the Texada land acquisitions has also received inadequate attention. The creation of Burgoyne park was only part of the Texada story. The North Salt Spring Waterworks District, with the cooperation of developer Rob MacDonald, and funding provided by its ratepayers and organizations such as the Water Preservation Society, the Salt Spring Conservancy, "Save our Islands," the women's calendar initiative and The Land Conservancy of B.C.'s Salt Spring Appeal, was able to protect all of the primary and secondary watershed lands held by the Texada Land Corporation.

During the Texada saga, the entire community agreed that protection of our precious drinking water was essential to our community well-being.

Today, after the scientific work by Dr. John Sprague and the management plans completed under the auspices of the Salt Spring Water Council, the CRD and the Islands Trust, we are even more aware of the deterioration of our drinking water lakes and what we must do to restore them.

In the current furor over the Riparian Areas Regulation, I hope that we can remember our resolve to protect our freshwater resources, and the importance of working together as a community to continue this progress.

GARY HOLMAN,
SALT SPRING

Mistake

We are lucky enough to live on an island that thrives wholeheartedly in its small community good-naturedness and trust within itself.

There are few strangers among us and it is a rare occurrence that the local trust that we immerse ourselves in is broken. This peace is shown in many shapes and forms, from old to

MORE LETTERS

young, and even goes as far as allowing every graduating class to feel self-confident enough to strip down and sprint around the halls of GISS on the final school day of the year. While this may not be within all regulations of the school board it is still to some extent tolerated and just goes to show the easygoing nature and like-mindedness of those around us.

I would like to take this opportunity to make amends for my own personal mistake and breach of this trust. I drove on and did a U-turn on the school's soccer field. I suppose I felt empowered by the free-spiritedness of running around the school and later downtown Ganges while butt-naked.

It was a serious mistake and I had not considered the repercussions for myself, the school and the other users and caretakers of the field. My apologies go out to many, including the school, which has helped me achieve many of my goals and who I should know better than to show anything other than my deepest respects.

Those who volunteer their time to maintain the turf and who did the Grad '11 design on the far side are also in dire need of an apology from me. You do incredible work and it was an absolute slap in the face for me to cause it any damage. These regrets are also sincerely extended to the users of the field, gym classes and the soccer association most specifically.

I understand the need for a safe playing surface and, while I don't exactly drive a Camaro, my four cylinder vehicle still managed to do enough damage to be a potential tripping hazard and I am greatly relieved that no ankles were sprained or rolled in the time between damage and repair.

The memories and friends I've made while attending Gulf Islands Secondary School are ones that will remain for the rest of my life and I wanted nothing more than to have left on good terms. It was an incredible four years and I hope that the matter can be resolved amicably.

Many thanks as well to the Salt Spring Restorative Justice committee and to RCMP officer Brent Friesen for making the outcome of my mistake a positive learning experience.

Your local soccer field calligraphist...

NAME WITHHELD AS PART OF SSI RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM

Making the move

The Salt Spring Public Library Association board and staff would

like to thank the 180 volunteers who, with good humour and boundless energy, moved some 45,000 items to our temporary home.

We are grateful to everyone who helped: to those who packed cartons or loaded book carts; to Sid and Lyda Smith, who determined and directed the move logistics, compiled lists of volunteers, then emailed and phoned them to remind them when to arrive for a shift; to the Rotary Club members who in total devoted 130 hours to this project; to the golf club members who gave up the game to help with the move; to Michael Loewell, who first helped dismantle and then rebuilt so many items; to the volunteers who saw to it that others were fed and watered during the move; to TJ Beans for providing us with that indispensable coffee; to our many ongoing library volunteers who gave a helping hand before, during and after the move. Thanks also to Barry and Sheila Spence for their many days of work and to our two summer students who did so much so willingly. With that many helping hands, the entire move took only two and a half days!

But first things first. The initial carload of thanks must go to all the managers, architects, engineers and tradesmen who worked so hard to construct our temporary home. That we even have an operating library is a direct result of their work, done cheerfully, carefully and on a very tight schedule. Special thanks to Dave Bepko of Hans Hazenboom Construction for managing the project.

As the move took place, it was a special pleasure to greet all those who came by and wished us well as they watched with some regret our home for 47 years being emptied. But now its business as usual, Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in our temporary home at 118 Jackson Ave.

Please note that handicapped as well as seven other parking spots are available at the top of the driveway adjacent to the temporary building and there is additional parking at street level.

BRIGITTE PETER-CHERNEFF,
CHIEF LIBRARIAN,
SSI PUBLIC LIBRARY

Flushing Stevie

On Tuesday, July 28 I found a small post office notice marked "Item" that I had never seen before. I was to take it to the PO to correct something.

There it was, a large envelope with no return address that had insufficient postage. My

address had been typed on a computer and covered with a transparent seal. I paid the eight cents. (It probably cost the PO 20 times that to hold it and take time to process it.)

In my car I opened the envelope. There was a message telling me to hang the enclosed in a prominent place on a wall. It was a large, impressive, many-coloured poster trumpeting the recent Conservative government majority win, with of course Stevie Harper front and centre.

I had a good laugh, as it was obviously sent by a Conservative (probably living in Brinkworthy) who knew that I had mailed over 100 letters to fellow Brinkworthy residents telling them why I was voting Green for the first time.

I try to do what I'm asked, but my walls are full of paintings, and prints and I had just come from the art show at ArtSpring and had bought Don Hodgins' Gastown painting, which Driftwood reviewer Elizabeth Nolan had enthused about last week.

Where to hang the poster? Of course, the obvious place for such a poster is the bathroom. But at Brinkworthy I have a very small bathroom with three doors, so almost no wall space. So I hung it on the back of the door to the hall.

Since I live alone, the doors are almost always open. This means Steve is jammed against the towel rack. Sitting in that aroma-filled room, I thought what I might do if I had the power. Eureka, I would press a handle and flush Stevie down.

JACK HALLAM,
BRINKWORTHY

Wines, Beers, Ciders & Coolers.

ON PREMISES WINE AND BEER MAKING
AT

THE *Wine Cellar*



Harry & Gerry

131 PRICE ROAD • 250 931 1963
TUES. - SAT. 12:30 - 4:30 OR BY APPT.

Complete

Automotive Repairs

- Hydraulic hoses
- Electronic engine analysis
- Tune ups • Oil changes
- Four wheel drive service
- Suspension shocks and struts
- Fuel injection • Tires



HAROLD HARKEMA REPAIRS

427 Fulford-Ganges Rd. • 537-4559 • Mon. - Fri. 8-5

COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROGRAMS

LADY MINTO
Gulf Islands Region
Caring for ourselves
and others

SENIORS SERVICES
Society

Salt Spring Island COMMUNITY SOCIETY

GISRA
Gulf Islands Seniors Resource Association

Coordinator: Sharon Glover 250-537-4607

August 2011

Coordinator: Sharon Glover 250-537-4607

Needed! LOTS of FRIENDLY VISITORS

... need exceeds new visitors right now!

Please volunteer a bit of extra time to help a senior! Warm and caring men & women are needed on a weekly basis for lonely seniors who look forward to a bright spot in their week. Friendly Visitors visit for about an hour once a week. Spend time playing cards, going for a walk, or sipping tea & chatting.

Caring Support for Seniors!

Individual support is available to seniors who are going through a "rough patch" - a qualified and caring senior will visit you at home to listen and support weekly.

Do you (or a friend, relative or neighbour) need this kind of special, warm help? Please call Sharon at 537-4607 for more info. CONFIDENTIALITY ASSURED

Blood Pressure Clinic - Monday 29 August: 10 - noon at friendly, inviting Salt Spring Seniors - FREE!

In October - NEW Arthritis Self-Management Program!

Protects Wood Beautifully
OLYMPIC

Canada's most trusted stain since 1938

Over 150 colours available starting at \$26.00

www.slegglumber.ca

Open Mon.-Fri. 7am-5pm / Sat. 8:30am-5pm

SLEGG LUMBER

804 Fulford-Ganges Road 250-537-4978

Arts & Entertainment

SALT SPRING INN
 Take Out until 10pm...always!
 • Buckets of Chicken • Pizza • Fish & Chips
 250-537-9339
 WiFi facebook

Tree House Cafe
 Music this week:
 Live music 7-10:30pm every night!
 Wed - Liverpool Pete
 Thurs - Planet Music
 Fri - El Jose's Cuban Dance Party
 Sat - El Jose's Cuban Dance Party
 Sun - Valdy
 Mon - Peter Prince
 Tue - Open Stage with David Jacquest
 Wed - Hooper Family Band
 Open 8am-10pm
 7 days a week
 www.treehousecafe.ca
 Check out our website at
 www.treehousecafe.ca
 ph 250-537-5379

ISLAND ARTISTS



PHOTO BY ELIZABETH NOLAN

Morley Myers with some of his work at his Merchant Mews studio.

Morley Myers leaves strong imprint with new creations

Summer show
 opens Friday

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
 DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Island sculptor Morley Myers has been playing with different techniques to pro-

duce finished sculptures as he continues to explore the bounds of the Modernist aesthetic.

While in the past Myers has often created stone and bronze pieces with a highly polished finish, these days he is more interested in leaving signs of the artist's hand behind.

With a sculpting process that begins with direct wax or plaster molding, he is combining his fascination with basic line and planes with subtle surface variations.

Myers' main source of influence is the modernist school that includes influential figures such as Modigliani, Picasso, Giacometti and Henry Moore — artists active mainly from the early 20th century until the 1960s.

"What I'm doing is moving forward with it — that's the basis of the work and that's probably why a lot of people respond to it," he said, noting that people are familiar with the movement's look even if they can't identify it.

With his simplified, abstracted mask-like faces and forms, Myers said many people have also seen a First Nations influence.

As he points out,

it was exposure to this source that first inspired the European modernists' new direction.

Myers' work continues to explore the interplay of two and three dimensions.

What's new is that he's added texture to the mix for grainier, more tactile results.

The imprints of his fingers can be seen as they first appeared in the hand-worked forms, made solid and permanent in the final bronze castings.

A small female torso set on a high, angular pedestal, for example, clearly implies the viscous medium of the wax that formed the original shape.

"It's just another way of playing," Myers said, explaining how every technique lends itself to produce new images, while at the same time bringing new challenges.

One of the reasons Myers has moved away from stone work is he feels people get too wrapped up in the material and its inherent beauty, and don't pay attention to the image the sculptor has created (which is where the art is actually found).

Producing bronze pieces means the work leaves his hands for an important stage while it's at the foundry, but

he reclaims it to do the "scrub back," taking down the patina to highlight lines and surfaces and letting the plain bronze shine through.

The patina he favours in this round of work is a greenish-blue, which goes on over a black base coat.

The sombre tone produces a "faux antique" look that Myers likes, and provides just enough light to reveal the surface texture.

Table-top sculptures and two masks set against black back panels are examples of this series, where Myers has allowed various degrees of bronze detailing to show through.

The masks are especially abstract and stripped down to the most basic planes. Light and shadow are important to emphasizing aspects of the work.

Myers will host a reception this Friday, Aug. 3 at his Merchant Mews studio from 6 to 9 p.m.

Also on display are new photographic works by Kevin Steinke, which are tiny studies in abstract images.

The works, printed on archival paper, are for discussion purposes only and not for sale.

NEW'ORK IMAGE
 CLAY
 WOOD
 NAILS PAINT
 CAMERA
 ETC.
gary cherneff
 Reception - Aug 3rd 5 - 8 pm
 Daily - Aug 4th to 10th 10 - 4 pm
artspring

ArtSpring presents TOEAC ACCORDION DUO

Thursday, Aug 4 - 8:00pm
Tickets: \$17.50, \$5 youth
 TOEAC is an amazing classical accordion duo from Holland. They have won a fistful of European prizes and toured the world with their virtuosic interpretations of both classical composers and new music written for them.
 "Strange, Captivating. The Toeac Accordionduo from the Netherlands is refreshing and unusual. Their performance was a musical tour de force and seeing them was an unusual experience that kept one absorbed till the end"
 - ANNA-RETHA BOUWER, SOUTH AFRICA
 250.537.2102
 tickets.artspring.ca

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

ACOUSTIC SOUND: The Girls ROCK! Camp wound up Thursday with a parking-lot concert outside Acoustic Planet Music, entertaining an appreciative audience and passers-by, after a week of songwriting and playing.

THEATRE REVIEW

Theatre in the park

Graffiti's Chalk Circle adaptation runs for four more shows

BY GAIL SJUBERG
DRIFTWOOD EDITOR

Graffiti Theatre has given dramatic life to past Salt Spring summers, first with Shakespeare productions at Mouat Park, then with a Greek myth adaptation called The Labyrinth in the United Church meadow two years ago.

This year they've commandeered prime Ganges real estate with the Salt Spring Chalk Circle presented at the Centennial Park gazebo. It proved to be an excellent spot for an evening of rollicking drama that's serious messages tumble freely with hilarious antics.

The crux of the story is that an infant heir is left behind by his mother as she flees after an uprising that sees the infant's father, the area's governor, beheaded. A kitchen maid named Grusha, played by Vancouver-based professional actor Donna Soares, is also escaping the tumult after becoming freshly betrothed to soldier Simon Shashava (Sean Marshall Jr.) when she sees the abandoned infant and cannot leave him to die. Her inherent goodness forces her to take him with her, even though doing so puts her life in mortal danger. Soares rouses all of our sympathy for her character's plight and cause.

Does good triumph? That's the question of the day, of course, answered in a tension-filled and quirky court scene.

Bertolt Brecht, a Marxist, wrote The Caucasian Chalk Circle in 1944, when concepts of good and evil were hotly disputed. The Graffiti cast did a stellar job of portraying the contrasts

through their characters, including the virtuous, the cruel — April Russell as Corporal Ironshirt was creepy! — the foolish, frightened and the wise, with the actors playing multiple roles. Musical bits were an effective influence on the mood of scenes, and some of the short choral pieces were stunning. J. Doug Dodd and Hughson Welch wrote the music.

The production made great use of the outdoor space, with saloon-like doors at the back edge of the gazebo serving much like a stage curtain. Actors often dispersed to other parts of the park or boardwalk to pick up props, musical instruments or to slap on a different wig, hat or other colourful costume piece.

I must admit it took me a while to warm to this production — largely, I think, because I was expecting something different due to its being named the Salt Spring Chalk Circle and the pre-show discussion around that title. In fact, except for an opening scene that sees two neighbours arguing about a ditch issue and a reference to land stewardship in the closing song, the rest of the play is basically a shorter version of Brecht's Caucasian Chalk Circle.

Anyone reading this will now be apprised and know the play is a pared-down version of a 20th-century theatre classic.

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle runs for four more nights — Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 4 to 7 — beginning at 7:30 p.m. It does get chilly towards the end, so people should bring a blanket or dress accordingly. Bleachers are provided, but lawn chairs can also be placed on them.

Advance tickets through ArtSpring or graffitiitheatre.ca cost \$20 for adults and \$10 for students and youth. At-the-gate costs are \$25 and \$15.

freshlocalsimplestyle
250.537.9911 Market Place Café

instructors showcase concert

featuring the incredibly talented professional musicians on staff at our

12th Annual Salt Spring Fiddle Camp

This year, our feature performers are **April Verch** Band www.aprilverch.com featuring dynamic Canadian fiddler, singer and stepdancer **April Verch** and her band, **Cody Walters** (Bass & Banjo) and **Clay Ross** (Guitar) playing a traditional and original repertoire deeply rooted in the Ottawa Valley region of Ontario. There will also be fabulous performances by the rest of our talented instructors, we hope to see you there!

Sunday August 14th 7:30 PM
@ ArtSpring Theatre
tickets \$20/adults \$15/students & seniors.
www.artspring.ca or call the box office 250.537.2102

Eva Bostrand
A Voce Sola
Masterclasses

with
Eva Bostrand
Don Conley, accompanist

Student Recital
Saturday, August 6, 7:30 PM
United Church
Public is welcome
Admission by donation
Reception to follow

July 31 to August 6, 2011
at the United Church
Salt Spring Island
Public is welcome at the
morning Masterclasses
August 1-4, 9 AM - 12:30 PM

For more information contact Carol Brown 250.537.1224 or bach_beat@shaw.ca

**MORLEY MYERS
STUDIO & GALLERY**

Summer Show
Friday, Aug. 5 • 6-9pm

new work by Morley Myers and
Photography by Kevin Steinke

**#7-315 Upper Ganges Rd.
Merchant Mews
morleymyersgallery.com**

RomanticTravel.ca
western canada's
TOP DESTINATION WEDDING & HONEYMOON SPECIALISTS

it's what we do...
contact us for the
best advice & service!

Exclusive Offer!
Bride & Groom
receive \$850 set
of Victoria's
luggage

Special Group Pricing & Inclusions
Invitation Inserts & Luggage Tags
Online Honeymoon Gift Registry
Free Consultation & Written Proposal

RomanticTravel.ca • Geo.ca
250.537.5523 **LIVELOBE**
Across from the Visitor's Centre Geo Travel

ArtSpring presents

MARIANGELA VACATELLO

**Saturday, August 6
8:00pm**

Tickets: \$17.50, \$5 youth

Finalist and winner of the Internet Audience Award at the 2009 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, as well as numerous other awards, exciting Italian pianist Mariangela Vacatello presents an all Liszt concert.

"More than most international pianists of the younger generation, Italian Mariangela Vacatello finds and develops an individual voice for each composer." — JEWISH RECORD SA

**250.537.2102
tickets.artspring.ca**

NIGHT

&

DAY

That's the difference
between colour and
black-and-white ads.

That's also the difference
between our old colour charge
and the new one.

PUT SOME COLOUR
IN YOUR ADVERTISING AT AN
AFFORDABLE PRICE!

Driftwood
GULF ISLANDS
YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER SINCE 1960

250-537-9933
sales@gulfislands.ent

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

SAND

SCULPTURE: Aryan Haanbeck becomes a living work of sand art as he is buried and sculpted by (from left) Mya and Alysha Collette, Jolie Johnson and Josh Collette.



WORLD MUSIC

Australian trio hits stage for Lesotho

Aug. 11 evening at Beaver Point Hall

Islanders can gear up for another night of rampant grooves when the "wizards of Oz" — OKA — return to Beaver Point Hall on Thursday, Aug. 11.

OKA have sold out shows on Salt Spring in past summers, and were favourites at

Shambala and the Montreal Jazz Festival.

Hailing from Australia, the trio mixes tribal didgeridoo with Polynesian rhythms and the sweet sounds of flute, sax and lap steel for a mesmerizing, all-encompassing show guaranteed to get feet moving.

The evening is a fundraising benefit concert for Community to Community programs in Lesotho, southern Africa.

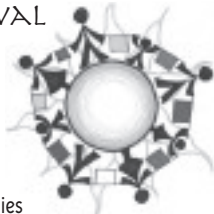
Tasty desserts and treats will be available when doors open at 8 p.m. The music begins at 9 p.m.

For more information about the Lesotho programs, see www.glasswatersafrica.ca. For a sneak preview of the OKA sound, visit www.okamusic.com.

Tickets for the show cost \$20 at Salt Spring Books and can be reserved at 250-930-4279.

SALT SPRING LITERACY PRESENTS:
A SALT SPRING ISLAND INTERNATIONAL
FOOD FESTIVAL

Date: Sunday, August 14th, 2011
Location: Centennial Park
Time: 10am to 4pm



Celebrate diversity, learn about Salt Spring's international communities and enjoy great food, dance and music with us!

Food booths include: Italian, Japanese, French, German, Indian, Mediterranean and more!

Music and dance performances include: Harry Warmer, World and Balkan music, as well as Circle Dance demonstrations

Other questions/comments, please contact Amy:
avjgmarchant@gmail.com or: www.saltspringliteracy.org

M&M

Piano and cello combine for All Saints recital

Graeme Wilkinson and Tyr Jami from Montreal perform Aug. 10

A perennial favourite of Music and Munch audiences returns next Wednesday from his home in Montreal to charm the audience with a delightfully eclectic choice of music.

Classical pianist Graeme Wilkinson will be accompanied this year by cellist Tyr Jami, also hailing from Montreal.

Wilkinson is a classically trained amateur pianist. He began his music education at UBC in the 1970s, continuing that with studies at the conservatories of Neuchâtel and Lausanne, Switzerland.

Further studies at the Vancouver Academy of Music led to an Associateship Diploma in Piano Performance from the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto.

In 1999, Wilkinson took his musical avocation a step further, competing in the first Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for Outstanding Amateurs

in Fort Worth, Texas.

Since then he has been a regular on the international piano amateur circuit performing in competitions and workshops in Europe and the United States, including Fort Worth, where he remains a regular participant at the Piano Texas International Academy and Festival.

Wilkinson has resided in Montreal since 1989, where he obtained a Bachelor of Music degree at l'Université du Québec à Montréal.

He continued on to Concordia University in Montreal in 2009 to pursue graduate studies in music. He continues to maintain a home (and a 1927 Steinway) on Salt Spring.

Jami began cello studies in 1991 at the Vancouver Academy of Music. She recently graduated from Concordia University with a BFA in music performance. As well as classical music she enjoys immersing herself in several styles, including avant-pop, jazz and folk.

Their joint free performance on Wednesday, Aug. 10 at 12:10 p.m. includes a Shostakovich sonata, Icelandic traditional folk songs and a number of familiar Gershwin tunes.

The recital will be followed, as usual, by an optional light lunch for \$5.50.

The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation and
Salt Spring Island Fire Rescue invite you

MINTO M*A*S*H!
Equipment Fair & Open House

at the
Ganges
Fire Hall

Sunday
August 7, 2011
2:00 PM—4:00 PM

*Demonstration of Equipment
*Refreshments
*Bring Your Teddy to the
Teddy Bear Clinic



Lady Minto Hospital Foundation
building a healthy community
info: 250 538 4845
www.ladymintofoundation.com

Salt Spring Island
Fire Rescue
info: 250 537 2531
www.saltspringfire.com

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

PUB MUSIC

Skyla J and the Vibes juice up Moby's scene

Victoria's "band of the year" is performing at Moby's this weekend.

With their mix of reggae, soul and house music, Skyla J & The Vibes will take the stage on Saturday, Aug. 6

beginning at about 8 p.m.

The group, which features members Skyla J and Ozzie from the award-winning international electronic duo Greenlaw, were deemed winners of the first annual Victoria

Night-Life Award for 2010 band of the year.

The Vibes' most recent EP was created in collaboration with Grammy-nominated producer Joby Baker and includes the sin-

gle called These Islands written by B.C. native Skyla J "in celebration of the beauty and vibration of B.C.'s islands."

For more information, check out www.skylaj.com.

EXHIBIT

First Nations icons in Shapeshifters show

Peter McFarlane show at Pegasus

The Pegasus Gallery of Canadian Art is the spot for an exciting new exhibit by metal sculptor Peter McFarlane.

Shapeshifters is comprised of 10 sculptures based on First Nations iconography of the Northwest Coast, reflecting McFarlane's unique style.

"The Chainsaw Mask series came about as a result of my connection to Pegasus," said McFarlane in a press release.

"The gallery has a vast collection of indigenous art and artefacts, and I was struck by how similar the shape of a raven mask was to my chainsaw. As the first chainsaw 'shape-shifted' into a metal mask in my studio, the play on



Peter McFarlane sculptures: "Breach" and "Raven Steals the Sun."

ravens as 'tricksters' and 'gluttons' became obvious. The fate of 'clear-cut forests' and 'clear-cut cultures' literally seemed to hang in the raven's beak.

"I've included objects in the work that have transformed landscape, such as the chainsaw, machete, and various saws and blades and, as well, objects that speak symbolically to the loss of culture, history and technology

as in the use of typewriter keys for feathers in 'Ravenous.'"

Shapeshifters runs from Friday, Aug. 12 until Saturday, Sept. 3 at the gallery, seaside at Mout's in Ganges.

A reception with the artist in attendance takes place on Friday, Aug. 12 from 5 to 8 p.m. Visit www.pegasusgallery.ca or call 250-537-2421 for more information.

DANCE MUSIC

Sanchez and Cuban Dance Party back

For the last three summers Jose Sanchez has rocked the house at the Tree House Cafe as part of the Salt Spring Jazz Festival.

While the festival didn't run this year, Sanchez and his Cuban Dance Party will still bring

together eight great musicians on Friday and Saturday night, Aug. 5 and 6, beginning at 7 p.m.

"This concert is going to be very special in many ways, with new songs balancing the instrumentals and dancing," states a

press release.

The Friday concert will be filmed in high definition by Greg Pauker of Sculptor Systems.

The event is co-sponsored by the Salt Spring Jazz and Blues Society.

EXHIBIT

Quartet of artists merges for ArtSpring show

Four-play: making a scene opens Friday

Four diverse artists — Gail Sibley, Donna Cochran, Susan Brown and Shirlee Lewis — return to ArtSpring this week to open their new exhibition called 4-Play: Making a scene.

From Aug. 5 to 14, each artist will take viewers "on a frisky

romp through her creative process, teasing out new takes on traditional materials," explains a press release about the show.

"Then they cross the line, taking pleasure in mixing their media and the results are pure fantasy."

"There will be flirtations with group collaborations as they embrace the opportunity to act out together.

"You're never too old to play the field and these four are certainly in a playful mood."

The artists say the show will be "racy but not x-rated."

Kids are welcome to attend and a good old-fashioned parlor game will be available for all ages to enjoy.

The opening reception, with the artists in attendance, is on Friday, Aug. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m.

GRAFFITI THEATRE PRESENTS
THE SALTSPRING CHALK CIRCLE

PERFORMED BY THE SALTSPRING ENSEMBLE
LED BY NICK HUTCHINSON

An adaptation of Bertolt Brecht's timeless classic
"The Caucasian Chalk Circle"

7:30pm
July 28-31 & August 4-7
presented in the Gazebo at Centennial Park

Adults \$20 Advance / \$25 at the gate
Student & Youth \$10 Advance / \$15 at the gate
Family Night July 31st \$25

Advance Tickets through graffiti theatre.ca or call Artspring 1-866-517-2000

sponsored by

Driftwood

ISLAND STAR VIDEO presents... flick pick

Source Code: top in its genre

After the critical success of Duncan Jones' Space Odyssey-esque Moon, a lot of people were curious as to where the young director (and son of David Bowie, appropriately) would put his talents. His sophomore effort is Source Code, a sci-fi thriller that plays out its tidy premise with just enough panache to lift it above your typical Hollywood time-waster.

Hmm... how to explain this particularly twisty little film? It starts on a train: Jake Gyllenhaal is Air Force Sergeant Colter Stevens, waking from a snooze. He clearly doesn't know where he is, and when the beautiful woman Christina (Michelle Monaghan) across from him calls him "Sean," it's even more confusing. Colter goes to the bathroom, and sees another guy in his place. After some kerfuffle, the train explodes.

He wakes up in a metal container, and an army officer (Vera Farmiga) explains his plight. He's on a secret mission to find out the source of the explosion, by way of being inserted into the mind of Sean, one of the train explosion's victims.

Poor Colter spends the rest of the film in Sean's body, and in Sean's memory, replaying the eight-minute long sequence of events on the train in hopes of discovering the identity of a serial bomber... in time to stop said bomber from striking again in the "real world."

I hope that makes sense. Source Code ignores most of the wussy questions of phenomenological accuracy (i.e. how does Sean's memory account for when Colter/Sean goes to places Sean never went to, or when he changes the course of events?), blazing ahead in what amounts to a time-travel murder-mystery.

It's a curious film, in that it has elements of sci-fi and yet has little of the CGI excess or technological bombast common to this genre. Jones focuses on the human elements of his story: Colter's relationship with his father, and a burgeoning love for Christina.

It helps that Gyllenhaal is so incredibly game, racing from plot point to plot point with a dogged, wide-eyed look on his face that says "heck, this is ridiculous, but I'm taking it seriously."

In the hands of lesser artists, Source Code could have been horrible. As it is, it's one of the best films of its kind and proof that Jones' tools and vision are not flukes.

new arrivals
SOUL SURFER • RIO • SOURCE CODE
BLOOD RAIN • WINTER IN WARTIME

ISLAND STAR VIDEO
...your locally owned video shop!

250-537-4477

One Day Only!!
Saturday, August 6 • 10am - 5pm
SCRATCH N' DINT SALE

up to **90% off**

slightly irregular picture frames & pre-cut mats

#2-111 Robinson Rd.
Across from Merchant Mews

250-931-2122
www.pegasusframing.com

PEGASUS GALLERY FRAMING

Quality Doesn't Cost... It Pays!

Fine cookware & accessories available at:

Love My Kitchen
FINE COOKWARE & ACCESSORIES
140 Fulford-Ganges Rd.
250-537-5882

What's On This Week

www.gulfislandstourism.com/calendar.htm



Wed. August 3

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Prince George Trio. Music & Munch recital at All Saints. 12:10 p.m.

Liverpool Pete. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

SS LTC Public Hearing. On proposed Bylaw 448. Community Gospel Chapel. Information meeting at 5 to 7 p.m.; public hearing at 7 p.m.

Summer Reading Club: Tantalizing Tidbits. Join us for stories, games, and fun! For children ages 6 to 11. 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the library. saltspring.bclibrary.ca/

Gary Chernoff Exhibit Opening. See Exhibitions, below.

A Voice Sola. Watch vocal masterclasses led by Eva Bostrand at SS United Church. 9 a.m. to noon.

Thurs. August 4

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle. Graffiti Theatre adaptation of Bertolt Brecht's *The Caucasian Chalk Circle*. Centennial Park. 7:30 p.m.

TOEAC Accordion Duo. Classical accordion duo from Holland. ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

Richard Cross. Live at the Harbour House. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Planet Music. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Simone & the Soul Intentions. Shipstones. 7 p.m.

Open Mic. Thursdays at The Local Bar. 6 to 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

A Voice Sola. Watch vocal masterclasses led by Eva Bostrand at SS United Church. 9 a.m. to noon.

Salt Spring Local Trust Committee. Monthly public meeting at the Lions Hall. 10:30 a.m., with town hall session at noon.

Fri. August 5

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle. See Thursday listing.

Mindil Beach Markets. Ska/reggae at Moby's. 8 to 11 p.m.

Live Music. Harbour House Hotel. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Simone & the Soul Intentions. Shipstones. 7 p.m.

El Jose's Cuban Dance Party. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Music in the Vineyard. Live music with Synergy at Salt Spring Vineyards from 2 to 4 p.m. with complimentary wine tastings paired with local foods (from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

ACTIVITIES

Four-play Exhibit Opening. See Exhibits, below.

Morley Myers Exhibit Opening. See Exhibits, below.

Sat. August 6

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Mariangela Vacatello. Italian pianist at ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

A Voice Sola Student Recital. SS United Church. 7:30 p.m.

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle. See Thursday listing.

Mark Crissinger. Live music at The Local Bar. 7 p.m.

Lane 31. Shipstones. 7 p.m.

El Jose's Cuban Dance Party. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Live Music. At the Harbour House. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Skyia J & the Vibes. Soul/funk music at Moby's. 8 to 11 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Fulford Community Family Picnic. Bring your family and a picnic lunch. Drummond Park. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kids' entertainment and light refreshments.

Fulford Village Bike Fest. Block party to celebrate opening of Spokespeople bike shop in Fulford. Kids bring decorated bikes; reggae music from Jah Request; kids' activities at Pattersons. 12 to 6 p.m.

Fulford Fire Hall Open House. To provide info on the proposed training ground. 1 to 3 p.m.

Gulf Islands Open. Mixed doubles tennis tournament begins at Portlock Park.

Sun. August 7

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle. See Thursday listing.

Valdy. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Norris Clement, Dave Roland and Friends. Cool jazz at Salt Spring Vineyards. 2 to 4 p.m. (Plus complimentary wine and food tastings, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

ACTIVITIES

Eco-Living and Home Tour. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Info: www.saltspringenergystrategy.org or 250-537-2812. Meet at Salt Spring Books between 9 and 10 a.m. for last-minute tickets and carpooling.

Minto Mash. Lady Minto Hospital equipment fair, demos and open house. Bring your teddy to the Teddy Bear Clinic. Ganges Fire Hall. 2 to 4 p.m.

SRhythms Class. With Shauna Devlin on Sunday mornings through July and August at Ganges Yoga Studio. 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. Info: www.shaunadevlin.com; 250-709-1921

Farmstead Cheesemaking Workshop. Led by David Asher Rotsztein at Foxglove Farm. Info/register: www.foxglovedfarm.ca

Mon. August 8

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Peter Prince. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Salt Spring Toastmasters. Meet Mondays at the Harbour House. 7 p.m. Info: Laura Patrick, 250-538-0215

Wed. August 10

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Joe Chindamo Quartet. Award-winning Australian pianist Joe Chindamo joins three of BC's best jazz musicians - Jodi Proznick on bass, Craig Scott on drums, and saxophonist Phil Dwyer. ArtSpring. 8 p.m.

Graeme Wilkinson & Tyr Jami. Music & Munch piano and cello recital at All Saints. 12:10 p.m.

Hooper Family Band. Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Simone Lamers & Mike. Harbour House Hotel. 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Tues. August 9

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Open Stage with David Jacques. At the Tree House Cafe. 7 to 10:30 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

Annual Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day. With MP Elizabeth May and song leader Barb Slater. At the Peace Park across from ArtSpring. 4 p.m.

Tuesday Morning Market. Food products and second-hand goods. United Church Meadow. 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday Farmers' Market. Island Natural Growers-sponsored market in Centennial Park. 3 to 7 p.m.

2hrs 30mins
Rating: PG13

TRANSFORMERS
DARK OF THE MOON

THE FRITZ MOVIE THEATRE JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

WED. AUG. 3 - THURS. AUG. 11

at Central Hall call 250-537-4656
To watch the preview go to www.thefritz.ca

PLEASE NOTE WE ARE OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK FOR THE SUMMER!

Transformers: Dark of the Moon
Plays Friday Aug. 5 to Thursday Aug. 11 at 7:00PM

CARS: FINAL 2 SHOWS
Wed. Thurs. Aug. 3rd & 4th. 7:00

BestOfSaltSpringRealEstate.com

DEEP WATER ALL SEASON MOORAGE + ALMOST 1 ACRE OF WATERFRONT

This quintessential Salt Spring classic - private and beautifully sited for maximum sun and water exposure -- has been described as "living sculpture". This exceptional 0.85 ac waterfront property is in the coveted neighbourhood of Scott Point and features not only total privacy, but a generous garden and original orchard, plus outdoor spaces for entertaining. **\$1,199,000** MLS 281791
CALL FOR SHOWINGS ON SHORT NOTICE

Susan de Stein MBA, REALTOR®
Pemberon Holmes Salt Spring Island
susandestein@shaw.ca PH: 250-537-7943

Classic
Our high rise, fits on your natural waistline.

Contemporary
Our mid rise, fits slightly below your natural waistline.

WOMEN'S PANT FITS

Curvy
Our non-gaping waist. Designed to fit smaller in the waist to flatter your curves.

Modern
Our low rise, fits below your natural waistline.

Buy One Get One at 50% off
on ALL FULL LENGTH LADIES PANT
includes clearance and regular priced bottoms in all Dress pants, Casual pants, Yoga & Jeans in store. (does not include Capris or shorts)

250.537.2999
152 Fulford-Ganges Road

Mark's
Clothes That Work

CINEMA

Cars 2 — Final two shows on Wed. & Thurs.

Transformers: Dark of the Moon — When a mysterious event from Earth's past erupts into the present day it threatens to bring a war to Earth so big that the Transformers alone will not be able to save humanity. Amazing special effects and non-stop action, especially the epic battle of Chicago finale.

EXHIBITIONS

- **Gary Chernoff** presents *New'ork* — clay, paint, nails, wood, camera, etc. — at **ArtSpring**, with an opening reception on Wed., Aug. 3, 5 to 8 p.m. Runs daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Aug. 10.
- **Four-play: making a scene** — with work by **Gail Sibley, Donna Cochran, Susan Brown and Shirlee Lewis** — runs at **ArtSpring** from Aug. 5 to 14, with an opening reception on Friday, Aug. 5 from 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Morley Myers Summer Show** opens at #7-315 Upper Ganges Rd. (**Merchant Mews**) on Friday, Aug. 5 from 6 to 9 p.m.
- **ArtCraft's Showcase Gallery** presents **Gerda Lattey New Works** — contemporary stone sculptures — runs daily at **Mahon Hall** until Aug. 25, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., along with the **ArtCraft** gallery and gift shop.
- A group show of contemporary local artists is featured at **Starfish Gallery** throughout the summer, including work by **Robert Bateman**.
- **Steffich Fine Art** presents new work by photographer **Steven Friedman**.
- **Summer Lights** night exhibition at **Duthie Gallery** on Churchill Road is open Thursdays through Mondays from 9 to 11 p.m., in addition to regular gallery hours.
- **Point Gallery:** Held over... "observations" — work by **George Wallace, Diana Thompson and Margaret Day** until the end of August. By appointment only, call the gallery at 250-653-0089.
- **The Porch Gallery** is open Sundays from 12 to 4 p.m. at the home of Mother Tongue Publishing's **Mona Fertig & Peter Haase, 290 Fulford-Ganges Rd.** Featuring work of **George Fertig, Jack Akroyd, Irene Hoffer Reid, Wim Blom and Peter Haase**.
- A selection of local artist **Sav Boro's** originals and prints are on display at the **RE/MAX Salt Spring office** for the summer
- New work by gallery artists is being shown at **Gallery 8**, including **Daniel Tibbitts, Ron Crawford, Jade Boyd, Carol Evans** and many more.
- **Salt Spring Gallery of Fine Art** welcomes work by **Dawn Davies, Joan Warren and Tom Debrayanna**.
- **Pegasus Gallery** exhibits a selection of fine historical paintings daily, including **Haines, Glyde, Hallam, Perrigard, Roberts and Hoole**. Silkscreens by **Sampson Matthews Ltd** continues by popular demand.
- Photographer **Curt Firestone** has images from his *Morning* series hanging at **Bocados Bistro**.
- **Carron Carson** shows her quilts at **Island Savings Credit Union** through August.
- See **Lyman Whitaker's** wind sculptures at **Grace Point Square**.

The Salt Spring Chalk Circle

A Graffiti Theatre production
Centennial Park

August 4th to 7th; 7:30 pm
Tix at ArtSpring

THRIFTY FOODS™

Ganges, Mout's Centre • 7:30am to 9pm • Customer Service 250-537-1522

Squeeze Me!!

TEMPUR
1-800-887-4321
www.tempurcanada.com

The only mattress recognized by NASA and certified by the Space Foundation

A better night's sleep, no springs attached!

UNCLE ALBERT'S FURNITURE
107 2nd St. Duncan Mon.-Sat. 9-5:30
1-800-593-5303 Sun 11-4

Salt Spring Island Residents Card
SHOPPING LOCAL SUPPORTS OUR COMMUNITY

The Salt Spring Island Residents Card is a new way to save and take advantage of special island promotions from member businesses of the Chamber of Commerce.

Check specials online www.residentscard.com

You can also pick up a list of Residents Card Specials at the front counter of the Driftwood.

your island... your card!

People & Community

HOMES

Eco-home tour puts focus on small dwellings for 2011



Dr. John Christian with his earth-sheltered office-studio (with green roof) on Park Drive, one of the properties participating in Sunday's Eco-living and Home Tour.



A 130-square-foot, portable Tumbleweed Tiny House designed by Jay Schafer in Sebastopol, Calif.



Andrew Haigh in his family's well-known off-grid, straw-bale home that has seen additional features and finishing in recent years.



An EcoNest guest cottage under construction by Paula Baker-Laporte and Robert Laporte. See www.econesthomes.com.

Perfect time for renos with energy grants available again

The 2011 Eco-living and Home Tour this Sunday, Aug. 7 will provide lots of ideas and information for anyone contemplating home renovations.

"The best time to improve the environmental performance of a home is when renovations are underway," says Elizabeth White, one of the tour's organizers.

She notes that the federal EcoENERGY Retrofit program will be reinstated, so that

both federal and provincial grants are once again available for home energy upgrades in B.C. People wishing to apply should register immediately with Natural Resources Canada at oee.nrcan.gc.ca/register and arrange for an energy assessment with a certified energy advisor.

"Participants wishing to benefit from both federal and provincial grants have only eight months to undertake eligible improvements and get the evaluation completed as the federal program ends March 31, 2012," said White.

The Victoria non-profit City Green Solu-

tions offers energy efficiency assessment services and its website at www.citygreen.ca has a table showing the grants available for various upgrades.

Grants are helpful, notes White, "but the real benefits come from the reduced ecological footprint, a more comfortable home and lower energy bills."

The focus of this year's Eco-living and Home Tour is on small dwellings and a range of ideas from high-tech to do-it-yourself for creating beautiful and healthy living environments.

More information about the 2011 Eco-Living and Home Tour, including descriptions of

the sites, is at www.saltspringenergystrategy.org.

"Unless you are extraordinarily speedy, there is not enough time to visit all nine sites and people are encouraged to review the descriptions and plan their tour in advance," said White.

Tickets (\$25) are available from Salt Spring Books, Windsor Plywood, Uptown Pharmasave and Elements Home Design. On Aug. 6 the price jumps to \$30.

People should meet between 9 and 10 a.m. outside of Salt Spring Books if they want to carpool.

MEDICAL TREATMENT

Minto M.A.S.H. event at fire hall Sunday

Hospital equipment, teddy bear clinic

The Lady Minto Hospital Foundation and Salt Spring Fire Rescue are co-hosting an Equipment Fair and Teddy Bear Clinic on Sunday, Aug. 7 at the Ganges fire hall.

Everyone is welcome to take part in the event, which runs from 2 to 4 p.m., with children encouraged to bring their teddy bears to the Minto M.A.S.H. tent where they can have a check-up with a nurse and doctor.

Stethoscopes will listen to teddy bear hearts and band-aids will be available for scrapes and bruises and to simulate a trip to the emergency room.

"Kids become comfortable and less anxious [about a trip to the hospital] when they see how their teddy bear is looked after so well," notes a press release about the event.

A number of new equipment items will be demonstrated at the fair. The spotlight will be on Mega-code Kelly, the hospital's most recent acquisition for emergency medical training. MC Kelly is a versatile medical training "manikin" that offers a wide range of educational opportunities for local doctors and nurses.

A number of other recently purchased items will be demonstrated, including the Focused Assessment with Sonography

for Trauma (FAST) ultrasound machine; the tonometer (a sophisticated device that measures eye pressure); and the interosseous device, which teaches the correct technique for introducing IV lines into bone.

Lady Minto Hospital doctors and nurses will be on hand to demonstrate equipment and answer questions.

"The Equipment Fair and Teddy Bear Clinic is a great way for the LMH Foundation to thank donors who give so generously to the annual fund making these important purchases possible. Donors can see how their contributions have helped us to build a top-notch and superbly equipped community hospital."

The truth about distracted driving



CINDY SCHILLER
Senior Manager,
Island Savings Insurance Services

It's all too easy to do. We take our mind off the road for a moment while we change the radio station, take a sip of coffee, or remove our jacket on a hot day.

ICBC reports that every year in B.C., an average of 117 people die and 1,400 are sent to hospital because of distracted driving. It can be as dangerous as driving drunk.

That's because when we're distracted, we're less likely to notice potential hazards, like vehicles turning or pulling out from a driveway, or pedestrians and cyclists around us, or debris on the road.

A moment's distraction might not seem like enough to cause a collision, but vehicles travel a significant distance every second, making even a brief lapse in concentration a major risk.

That's why it's so important to drive safely and be well-insured.

Safe driving tips:

- Turn your cell phone off and let voicemail take your calls.
- Before you take your hands off the wheel to do something, wait until you are safely pulled over and parked.
- Keep your mind on the road; save important conversations with passengers for later.

At Island Savings, we're not just financial experts; we're insurance experts too, and we want to keep you safe on the road. Come in to our Ganges branch and talk to Cynthia or any member of our insurance team. Let us help you find the best insurance package to keep you protected.

Salt Spring – 124 McPhillips Ave, Ganges | 250-537-4542 | iscu.com

ADVERTISING FEATURE

Attention New Salt Springers!



Welcome Wagon
A Ganges tradition since 1991

Don't miss your opportunity for a great welcome visit. Call Haley today for your greeting, gifts & useful info. 250-537-1558

WELCOME WAGON
Since 1991

Fall Fair Focus

THE MUSEUM will be open throughout the fair with several new displays, including two amazing family group photographs from 1896.

THE WOOL SPINNING MILL will be open to visitors for mill tours and display of products made from local wool and other animal fibres.

FALL FAIR TROPHY WINNERS! WANTED...

All trophies won at last year's Fall Fair are due back by August 15. Please drop them off at the caretaker's house at 351 Rainbow Road (corner of Tin Can Alley) or Foxglove Farm & Garden.

See you at the Fair!



PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY



PHOTO BY DERRICK LUNDY

PARK ART: Dreia Nickerson has been quietly selling her beautiful handmade Elfin Works jewellery at the Saturday market in Centennial Park for as long as many can remember.

FESTIVAL

Galiano Wine Festival on tap

Water taxi makes for quick day trip Aug. 13

The Galiano Health Care Society is hosting its major fundraiser of the year with the 19th annual Galiano Wine Festival, set for Saturday, Aug. 13 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Lions' Park.

"Informal and fun, the wine festival is an open-air event that is a wonderful way to spend a summer afternoon," the event's website states. "And at \$35 a ticket, it is great value!"

The price of entrance includes unlimited tasting, a crested Riedel crystal wine glass, fresh-made finger food and entertainment. Galiano's own Brad Prevodoros will provide beautiful and airy guitar music while local artists A.J. Bell and Kenna Fair exhibit their work.

Also part of the festival experience

are foods to taste, a silent auction and a 50/50 draw, as well as a selection of books and gifts that are wine and food related.

"There's room to move around, no long waits for the wines you want to taste and plenty of time to talk with the wine merchants and wine makers," the website promises.

All the wines offered for sampling are affordable, including wonderful B.C. boutique wines found at Vintages Wine Shop in the Galiano Oceanfront Inn & Spa, the Corner Store (just three km from the village) or the Galiano Garage, located near the ferry terminal.

Confirmed participants include Alderlea Vineyards, Howe Sound Brewing Company, Oyster Bay Wines, Salt Spring Winery, Select Wines, Morning Bay Vineyards, Saturna Island

Vineyards, Vertical Wine Consulting, BKR Importers, Enrico Wines, Renaissance Wine Merchants, Zanatta, Sea Cider, Peacock & Martin and Poplar Grove/Monster Wines.

Salt Spring-based wine lovers may find an easy way to enjoy the festival is to hop on the Gulf Islands Water Taxi leaving Ganges Harbour at 9 a.m. and arriving at Sturdies Bay at 9:50 a.m.

Visitors can take a leisurely walk to the Lions' Park on Burrill Road, enjoy the famed Lions pancake breakfast and the island's small but growing Saturday market, and then attend the wine festival in the afternoon.

The water taxi leaves Sturdies Bay at 4 p.m., arriving back on Salt Spring at 4:50 p.m.

For more information, visit www.galianowinefestival.com.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Nursing excellence noted in fund celebrating life of Irene McKennitt

Late Salt Spring resident's qualities attached to scholarship opportunities

In special tribute to Irene McKennitt's career in nursing and in dedication to the work, knowledge and compassion required by those who nurture others back to health, the McKennitt family has established the Irene McKennitt Fund for Nursing Excellence.

McKennitt, born in Rosenfield, Manitoba, was a gifted and compassionate nurse, explains a press release about the fund. Upon graduation she nursed at the Morden General Hospital (Manitoba) and later as a public health nurse in the Morden and Winkler region. She nursed her husband Jack in the latter days of this life, before she retired to Salt Spring Island in 1994.

McKennitt, who died June 6, 2011, is survived by her two children, Lorena McKennitt of Stratford, Ont. and Warren McKennitt of Winnipeg, Man. and four grandchildren, "a family she adored," states the release.

"Irene had an incredible passion for life and a curiosity of people and places. She was a devoted and engaged member of the communities in which she lived and enjoyed being of assistance

to others. All these qualities contributed to Irene's competencies and sensitivities in her chosen profession of nursing."

Modelling McKennitt's career, the fund supports nurses who exemplify empathy, demonstrate overall excellence in the art of bedside nursing and where applicable, competency in transferring theory into practice. Specifically the fund supports the education and training of nurses in Canada by offering scholarships, bursaries and research grants for individuals to train as a personal support worker, registered practical nurse or registered nurse or to enhance their nursing career with supplementary training.

The Irene McKennitt Fund for Nursing Excellence becomes part of the family of endowment funds held by the Stratford and Perth County Community Foundation. Created in 2004 through the vision of local business and political leaders, the foundation has raised more than \$1 million in community assets and has granted in excess of \$140,000 to charities working in the arts, culture and heritage, children and youth, education, environment, health, sports and recreation, seniors, and social services.

To find out how to make a donation to this fund, see www.spcfcf.ca.



SAFE • FREE • CONFIDENTIAL

Salt Spring Transition House & Help Line
250-537-0735 or
toll-free 1-877-435-7544

Women's Outreach Services
250-537-0717 or
toll-free 1-877-537-0717

Stopping the Violence Counselling for Women
250-538-5568

Children Who Witness Abuse Counselling
250-538-5569

'Transitions' Thrift Store
#1-144 McPhillips Ave.
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

Please visit our website
www.iway.org

Funded by the
BC Ministry of Community Services

Here's my Card!

Despite every technological advance, business cards remain an essential business tool.

Be a part of this popular feature...10 weeks of display advertising and your business card on heavy stock, perforated for easy separation delivered as an insert to over 4000 Driftwood readers.

Blue Velvet Upholstering
#5-315 Upper Ganges Road

Kim Nash
250.537.4369
bluevelvet@uniserve.com

CONTACT ONE OF OUR SALES REPRESENTATIVES AND LEARN MORE

RICK MACKINNON
250-537-9933
EXT. 202
rmackinnon@gulfislands.net

KIMBERLY YOUNG
250-537-9933
EXT. 205
kyoung@gulfislands.net

ERIN JORY
250-537-9933
EXT. 211
ejory@gulfislands.net

ROOFING

Call Today for a Free Quote
537-4114



- Fully Insured
- WCB Coverage
- Immaculate Cleanup
- Cedar Shakes & Shingles
- Metal
- Duroid

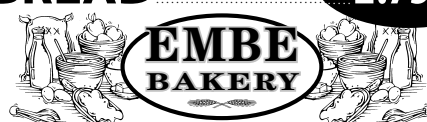
cunliffegroup@gmail.com

Alex's Awesome Buy OF THE Week!

RAISIN BREAD

REG. \$3.75 loaf

SALE
\$2.75 Loaf



PRESENT THIS CARD AUG. 3 - AUG. 9, 2011

HACKIN' N' WACKIN' COMPUTER SERVICES

Brien Anderson

In home service or drop off
Reasonable rates
Phone 250-537-2437
Cell 250-538-8271
hackwack@shaw.ca

T&T Tree Service

(A FAMILY TRADITION SINCE 1861)

- View Clearing
- Topping and Limbing
- Danger Tree Removal
- Fully Equipped for Logging
- 60' Bucket Truck
- 30 Years Experience

Call Tony Hedger 250-538-0248

Fully Insured - Free Estimates

Here's my Card!

Despite every technological advance, business cards remain an essential business tool.

Be a part of this popular feature...10 weeks of display advertising and your business card on heavy stock, perforated for easy separation delivered as an insert to over 4000 Driftwood readers.



- Quality Dry Cleaners
- Shirt Service & Laundry
- Blankets, Comforters & Duvels

- Linen Rentals
- Entrance Mat Rentals
- Vacuum Cleaner Sales & Servicing

SALTSPRING
Linen & Dry Cleaners
116 Hereford Ave., Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2T4

Tues.-Fri. 8:30-5 / Sat. 10-4
250.537.2241
drycleaners@telus.net



REYNOLDS

CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANING
FLOOD RESTORATIONS
TILE & GROUT CLEANING

PAUL REYNOLDS
owner/operator
250-537-4208

JOSH LACY
certified technician
FREE ESTIMATES

"Since 1964"



GARBAGE Ltd. SERVICES

250-537-2167 360 BLACKBURN RD
ssgarbage@shaw.ca

1ST

- ...in Residential Service
- ...in Container Service
- ...in Commercial Service
- ...in Special Clean-ups
- ...in Customer Service

Design • Build • Landscape • Maintain
DC CONTRACTING

New Homes • Renovations • Additions
2-5-10 Year Home Warranty Insurance

Dave Cooper

250-538-7767

www.DaveCooperContracting.com



Lenice Jacobson

250-537-8807

email: info@spabylenice.com
www.spabylenice.com

(At Grace Point Square) 2102-115 Fulford-Ganges Rd. Salt Spring Island BC V8K 2T9

CONTACT ONE OF OUR SALES REPRESENTATIVES AND LEARN MORE



RICK MACKINNON
250-537-9933 EXT. 202
rmackinnon@gulfislands.net



KIMBERLY YOUNG
250-537-9933 EXT. 205
kyoung@gulfislands.net



ERIN JORY
250-537-9933 EXT. 211
ejory@gulfislands.net

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY



PHOTO BY CHRISTINA MARSHALL

RECREATING HISTORY:

Descendants of Salt Spring's early Hawaiian settlers recreate an historic photo taken at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Fulford during a July 23-24 reunion. Kanaka pioneers were instrumental in building the church, which was consecrated in 1885.

FESTIVAL

Cycling passion meets community pride at Saturday's Fulford Bike Fest

Parade and block party
Aug. 6

BY ELIZABETH NOLAN
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

A passion for all things related to cycling is the primary motivation behind the first ever Fulford Bike Fest, an event sponsored by the newly opened Spokespeople shop.

Organizer Darcy Green said the idea started off as a way to celebrate opening the village repair shop, but it has quickly grown to a community block party involving many local businesses.

"We're really promoting cycling in a passionate way — everything from racing to young kids taking their first pedals," Green said. "Biking is growing exponentially, for all kinds of reasons."

Green said he's aiming to reproduce the fun carnival atmosphere the village experiences each Halloween, with participation from other local businesses like the Rock Salt Café. Hopefully most people will cycle

to the village and drivers passing through will be careful of pedestrian traffic, he added.

Taking place this Saturday, Aug. 6 from noon to 6 p.m., the bike fest is scheduled the same weekend that Fulford Day was traditionally hosted. Since that event has been downsized to a picnic in Drummond Park, the door was open for new means of community pride to evolve.

Green is working with picnic organizers on cross-over activities for the day, including the kids' bike decoration event.

Prizes for best decorations awarded at 3 p.m. Kids' activities will also be happening on the lawn behind Patterson's Store.

Other focal points will include music played from the Spokespeople porch (2901 Fulford-Ganges Road, just a few doors up from Stuff & Nonsense).

Sessions will be timed for between ferry runs, and include Jah Request Reggae at 4 p.m.

The Spokespeople shop is also the location for a bike swap where people can trade anything related to cycling. A representa-

tive from Island Pathways will speak on plans for safe cycling paths.

In addition to the festival, the Spokespeople team are working at promoting bicycle culture in many aspects of community life. A Sunday cycling club they established four weeks ago is going strong and attracting new participants each week, Green said.

Green has hopes that PARC will be receptive to establishing a mountain biking park on the island.

He also wants to start cycling groups in the schools to encourage more kids to ride by working on bike handling, safety and maintenance.

Cycling tours that Green has starting up will lead participants to various island attractions, such as a permaculture and farming tour and an artisan tour.

The Spokespeople shop is open for repairs and tune-ups every day from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The shop will soon be able to facilitate local bike sales through select dealers.

CREATIVITY

Storytelling in focus at Foxglove workshop

Foxglove Farm continues its series of educational programs with one called Sharing the Road — a weekend storytelling workshop on Aug. 13 and 14.

According to the Foxglove website, the workshop is "an opportunity to investigate the various methods and intentions of storytelling in a group atmosphere, while cultivating one's own personal storytelling style. Learn how to use stories to share different perspectives, delve into the many ways to enter a story and develop a manageable sequence of events."

Facilitator Naomi Steinberg has more than 13 years of experience facilitating creative workshops with diverse communities. She has presented her work internationally is currently the executive director of the Vancouver Society of Storytelling, where she works to foster an appreciation of the art in all its aspects and applications for audiences of all types.

Saturday's session runs from 7 to 9:30 p.m., while Sunday hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost is \$95 plus HST, and includes lunch on Sunday.

To register, and for more information on this and other workshops, visit www.foxglovefarmbc.ca.

ADOPT A PET TODAY

Driftwood star!

Check me out!
Ginger single spayed female approx. 6 years old. Never ask a lady her true age anyhow! I would like a new home with no other pesky cats or dogs!
Love, Annie



To see all of our adoptable animals, visit spca.bc.ca/saltspring



high-density polyethylene

G.I.S. SALES & RENTALS INC.

"Thanks for all reasons"

- Water storage
- Septic, sewage-holding
- Ecological systems
- Sewage-treatment plants, filters

PH: 250-653-4013

DRIFTWOOD Classifieds

www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

CALL 250-537-9933

OR 310-3535 • OVER 20,000 CLASSIFIEDS ON-LINE UPDATED DAILY

PLACE AN AD

In person at 328 Lower Ganges Rd., Ganges
By telephone 310-3535 or 250-537-9933
or fax 250-537-2613

By email to classified@gulfislands.net

By post to Driftwood, 328 Lower Ganges Rd.,
Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2V3

Payment
By cash, debit,
Mastercard or Visa.
Classifieds are prepaid
unless you have
an advertising account.



DEADLINES

Driftwood

PUBLISHED
WEDNESDAYS

Display deadline: **Monday 4 pm**
Word ad deadline: **Tuesday 10 am**



WHAT IT COSTS

3 LINE CLASSIFIEDS
\$12.95 + additional lines 92¢ ea
All ads are posted to BCClassified.com

EMPLOYMENT ADS
3 line rate \$14.96 + additional
lines 1.25¢ ea
All ads are posted to
BCJobNetwork.com and
BCClassified.com

DISPLAY ADS
\$11.20 per col. inch



YOUR AD ON-LINE

All ads booked in the Driftwood
Classifieds appear on-line at
www.bcclassified.com

Employment ads also listed on line at
www.bcjobnetwork.com

Auto ads also listed on line at
www.bcautocentral.com

Over 20,000 on-line ads updated daily



BOOK YOUR AD ON-LINE

Book your classifieds online
- open 24 hours a day
www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com
or
bcclassified.com

bcclassified.com



FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEATHS

Birgit (Gitte) Erika Nielsen

April 29, 1940 -
July 23, 2011

With great sadness,
we announce the sudden
passing of Gitte, beloved
wife of Kurt, mother to
Joann (Doug) Lum of
North Vancouver and
Brian (Heather) Nielson
of Prince George.
Mormor to 5 adoring
granddaughters, big sister
to Alice Richards of
Salt Spring Island and
aunt to Robin and
Damian Richards.
Gitte was famous for
her Danish smorgasbord
celebrations and everyone
she loves has pieces of her
fabulous prize-winning
cross-stitch work.
She was a generous, kind
and loving person with
a big hug and smile for
everyone.

An open house
gathering will be held
in September in
Port Coquitlam.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS



Containers!

- Plus: • Metal Gates
• Garden Gates
• Hand-Carved Buddhas
• Pottery
• Mirrors
• Wind Chimes

Discover Indonesia at
**Al's Asian Treasures
and Imports**
10 am - 4:30 pm
Tuesday - Sunday
250.324.4444
#7 9360 Smiley Rd., Chemainus
(just off Henry Rd. & Trans Can. Hwy)

CALL FOR ENTRIES

9TH ANNUAL
Kitty Coleman Woodland
Artisan Festival.
Fine Art and Quality Crafts
Juried Show.
Presented in a spectacular
outdoor setting
SEPT 3, 4 & 5
Applications for Artisans
are available at
woodlandgardens.ca or
phone 250-338-6901

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

SALT SPRING ECO-LIVING
and Home Tour Sunday Aug 7
10-4 - including rammed earth,
slip-straw, hemp bale, earth
sheltered and a tiny Tumble-
weed house; a thoughtful re-
trofit; rainwater collection, grey-
water, earthen floors, solar hot
water; learn how to make
earthen plaster, walls of wood
chips and clay, an easy air to
air heat exchanger, and much
more; \$25 until July 31; \$30
full price; tickets at Salt Spring
Books, Uptown Pharmacy,
Windsor Plywood and Ele-
ments.

INFORMATION

Your gift to the Heart
and Stroke Foundation
will help support life
saving research and
education in heart
disease and stroke.

To donate in Memory
or in Honour:
www.heartandstroke.bc.ca
Toll-Free: 1-888-754-5274

Mail to:
401-495 Dunsmuir St.
Nanaimo, BC V9R 6B9



HORSE DRAWN carriage tour
to Duck Creek Farm. Live mus-
ic, tasty homegrown de-
lectables! Great idea for small
group (6-10) on a summer
day. Call for more info 250-
537-5804.

Overeaters Anonymous
250-931-5555

COMING EVENTS

YOGA

WEEKLY CLASSES PRIVATE CLASSES RETREATS

SSI, Tofino, Mexico

PHONE OR SEE WEBSITE
santoshya-yoga-retreats.com

Dorothy
250-537-7675

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Gulf Islands Open

August 2011
Portlock Park

Mixed Doubles August 6
Women's Singles..... August 13/14
Men's Doubles August 13/14
Men's Singles August 27/28
Women's Doubles August 27/28

Entry forms available at
Portlock Park on notice
board, Court 3 or at PARC
office. Entry deadlines for
all events - noon three
days prior to event.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFORMATION



THE aims and objectives of
the LADY MINTO HOSPI-
TAL FOUNDATION are to
raise funds which will be
used to expand and en-
hance the delivery of medi-
cal care by the Hospital to
Gulf Islands residents.
You can help the Foundation
attain these goals by a gift of
funds, real or personal prop-
erty, memorial bequests, en-
dowments, life insurance or
securities.
All donations will be recog-
nized in the Hospital and re-
ceipts for Income Tax pur-
poses will be issued.

**Please help YOUR
Hospital so it
can help YOU**

135 Crofton Rd.
Salt Spring Island, BC
V8K 1T1

250-538-4845
www.ladymintohospital
foundation.org

PERSONALS

DATING SERVICE. Long-
Term/Short-Term Relation-
ships. Free to Try!! 1-877-
297-9883. Live intimate con-
versation. Call: #4011 or 1-
888-534-6984. Live adult 1on1
Call: 1-866-311-9640 or
#4010. Meet Local Single La-
dies. 1-877-804-5381. (18+).

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: ELECTRONICS at
the Ganga Giri show on July
27. Call 250-537-5075.

LOST: WALLET, possible at a
Garage Sale on Sat. Jul. 30.
Reward. 250-537-5342.

COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN MEMORIAM GIFTS

REMEMBER...

a loved one with a gift to the
Lady Minto Hospital Foundation's
Memorial Gifts program

135 Crofton Road
Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1T1
Tel: 250-538-4845

PLEASE INCLUDE:

- Name of your loved one
- Name & address of next of kin so we can
notify them of your gift.
- Your name and address for tax receipt



Lady Minto Hospital Foundation
www.ladymintofoundation.com

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

ANNUAL HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI DAY COMMEMORATION

August 9, 4 pm

PEACE PARK ACROSS FROM ARTSPRING

With Elizabeth May, MP
and Barbara Slater, song leader



CANADIAN VOICE OF WOMEN FOR PEACE

NOTE: The Salt Spring chapter of the Canadian Voice of Women
for Peace (VOW) invites you to join us in this event
and other efforts to promote peace.
Please call 537-4567 or 653-4283 for more information.

INFORMATION

INFORMATION



SCHOOL DISTRICT
No. 64 (Gulf Islands)

INVITATION TO TENDER Water Transportation Service

Sealed tenders will be received **no later than August 31,
2011, 2:00 p.m.** local time, at the School District No. 64
School Board Office for "Water Transportation Service",
providing student transportation for the Gulf Islands.

Documents for the tender for "Water Transport Service"
will be available to contractors from the School Board
Office commencing August 15, 2011.

The contract may be a one-year contract or a multi-year
contract not to exceed two (2) years.

Tenders will be opened immediately after closing time.
The content of Tenders will not generally be made public,
except at the discretion of the school district.

The school district reserves the right to reject any or all
tenders received.

Contact: Rod Scotvold, Secretary Treasurer
School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands)
112 Rainbow Road
Salt Spring Island, B.C. V8K 2K3
Telephone: (250) 537-5548, ext. 205
Facsimile: (250) 537-4200

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

INFORMATION



**salt spring
island FOUNDATION**
Connecting your giving with island needs

Your gift today will help islanders now and in the
future. The Foundation gives approximately \$100,000
to our island's charitable organizations every year.

Donations may be made through the website, by phoning
250 537 8305, or by mail to SSIF, Box 244, Ganges PO, SSI, BC, V8K 2V2.

www.saltspringislandfoundation.org

Secondary Suites?



Host Islands Trust Staff for an informal discussion
- in your neighbourhood!

Get a personal update and share your thoughts.

Contact the Islands Trust at 250-537-9144,
email ssinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca,
or drop by our Salt Spring Island office
at #1-500 Lower Ganges Road



**Run it 'til
it sells. \$24.99**
**Run your classified ad in
The Driftwood 'til it sells!**

All ads appear on-line at:
gulfislandsdriftwood.com and bcclassified.com

Your private party (merchandise only) classified ad will run in our
next 3 insertions • If you need to modify the ad or run it
again, just call us and we'll run it again for another
3 insertions • Extra lines at \$0.92 •
Please, no more than 3 items, call
to remove an item.

COMING EVENTS

COMING EVENTS

**ONE DAY
SCRATCH N' DINT SALE**

up to
90% off

**Saturday August 6
10am-5pm**



PEGASUS GALLERY FRAMING
#2-111 Robinson Rd. 250-931-2122

DRIFTWOOD CLASSIFIEDS

BCjobnetwork

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

LANDSCAPING/PROPERTY Maintenance Business for sale. Over 12 years established on Salt Spring Island. \$35,000. Excellent opportunity. For details please contact rbelanger@telus.net

EDUCATION/TRADE SCHOOLS

MEDICAL OFFICE Trainees needed! Hospitals & Dr.'s need medical office & medical admin staff. No experience? Need training? Career training & job placement available. 1-888-748-4126.

ONLINE, COLLEGE Accredited, web design training, administered by the Canadian Society for Social Development. Learn web design from the comfort of your home! Visit: www.tbde.ca Apply today!

TRAIN To be an Apartment/Condominium Manager at home! We have jobs across Canada. Thousands of graduates working. 31 years of success! Government certified. www.RMTI.ca or 1-800-665-8339, 604-681-5456.

HELP WANTED

Full-time & Occasional Homemakers required at Heritage Place for Seniors

Specific Requirements for this position include:

- Cooking & Cleaning
- Current Food Safe certification
- TB test
- Criminal Record Check
- Current First Aid Certification preferred

Pay scale:

- Training Rate: \$15.00/hr
- Probation Rate: \$16.00/hr

Submit hand-written cover letter & professional resume to: Heritage Place for Seniors

Hiring Committee
Fax: 537-8346
Mail: 120 Crofton Road, SSI, BC V8K 2Y4

HELP WANTED

ECOTRUST CANADA is seeking a highly-motivated PROGRAM MANAGER, with proven experience in FISHERIES monitoring and program management, for the Area A Crab Monitoring Program in Prince Rupert, BC. Full Time 1 year (with possible renewal); competitive rates; healthy benefits package. DETAILS: www.ecotrust.ca/about/jobs APPLY BY: August 20, 2011

Holbrook Dyson Logging Ltd. Has vacancies in the following jobs: 1) Heavy Duty Mechanic. 2) Processor Operator. Fax resumes to 250-287-9259

HELP WANTED

We are still hiring - Dozer & excavator operators required by a busy Alberta oilfield construction company. We require operators that are experienced and preference will be given to operators that have constructed oilfield roads and drilling locations. You will be provided with motels and restaurant meals. Competitive wages, bonus and transportation daily to and from job sites. Our work is in the vicinity of Edson, Alberta. Call 780-723-5051.

HELP WANTED



LEMARE GROUP EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Lemare Group is currently seeking an Executive Administrative Assistant for their Port McNeill Office, which is located on the western Vancouver Island.

- Responsibilities:**
- Managing Calendars
 - Coordinating Travel Arrangements
 - Process correspondence, reports and other documents
 - Maintain confidential records and office files
- Qualifications:**
- Previous executive/administrative experience
 - Excellent oral & written skills
 - Microsoft Office fluency is mandatory
- This position is a full time permanent position with a competitive compensation package based on experience. Lemare will accept resumes by email or fax. Please fax your response to: 250-568-4888 or to: office@lemare.ca.

MARKET PLACE Cafe is accepting resumes for experienced cooks and servers. Apply between 2-4pm, Tues.-Sat.

PARTS COUNTER PERSON

Experienced parts counter person required for North Island Ford Store. We pay competitive wages and offer benefits package. Email resume to: dlsales@telus.net

Stuck On Designs is seeking a full time designer to work in our shop in Prince Rupert. Proficiency in Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign is a must. Progressive shop with lots of opportunity. stuckon@citytel.net or fax 250-624-6160. Please - no freelancers.

OFFICE SUPPORT CLERK

AN executive/administrative assistant is urgently needed for our CEO. Send applications to tsen@live.com

PERSONAL SERVICES

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Cut Your Debt by up to 70%

DEBT FORGIVENESS PROGRAM
Award Winning, Proven, Credible, Safe, Much Lower Payments at 0% interest. We work for YOU, not your creditors.
-Call Correll-
1-866-756-9239

correll@p4.com
www.p4.com
A P4 CONSULTING GROUP

DENIED CANADA Pension plan disability benefits? The Disability Claims Advocacy Clinic can help. Call Allison Schmidt at 1-877-793-3222. www.dcac.ca

GET BACK ON TRACK! Bad credit? Bikes? Unemployed? Need Money? We Lend! If you own your own home - you qualify. Pioneer Acceptance Corp. Member BBB. 1-877-987-1420. www.pioneerwest.com

IF YOU own a home or real estate, Alpine Credits will lend you money. It's That Simple. Your credit/age/income is not an issue. 1-800-587-2161.

MoneyProvider.com \$500 loan and + No Credit Refused. Fast + Easy. 100% Secure. 1-877-776-1660.

HOME/BUSINESS SERVICES

BUSINESS SERVICES

NEED A WEBSITE, leaflet, brochure, newsletter, catalogue? Fast and economical. No job too big or too small. Call 537-4741.

CLEANING SERVICES

"RHINA'S CLEANING" Commercial/Residential (250) 886-0564, rhinae@shaw.ca

COMPUTER SERVICES

CALL BOB'S Computer Service for troubleshooting, software & networking support. We do house calls. 250-537-2827 or cell. 250-538-7017. Please go & back-up your important data now!

HOME/BUSINESS SERVICES

DRAFTING & DESIGN

LET'S GET STARTED

Bring your sketches & ideas and together we'll design (or upgrade) your dream home, through the use of computer-aided drafting, we'll quickly produce the working drawings you'll take to your contractor.

HELSET DESIGN

250.537.1037
Ask for Jim

GARDENING

250-216-9476 From the Ground Up

- Lawn & Garden
- Seasonal & year round maintenance
- Accepting New clients
- Specializing in Low maintenance Landscapes

HAULING AND SALVAGE

STRONG WOMAN HAULING

Non-discriminating waste removal, contractors & managers. I will sort, load and haul away Construction waste, debris, trees, stumps, household garbage, brush, pool waste. More available off road and a gravel pit up & delivery up to 10 tons. Look for the new PG 15-15. www.strongwomanhauling.com 250-538-0845 I Love Hauling

PETS

PETS

FREE! TWO well behaved black kitty cats need a good home. Friendly, healthy, 4 yrs old, neutered/spayed. Ricky is a great hunter & sister Ruby is shy. Prefer home together. 250-931-2455.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

PGS 14-15

MERCHANDISE FOR SALE -

New To You

Merchandise ads with items totalling less than \$200 receive a **50% discount** with your Residents Card

AUCTIONS

AUCTION - Source Glacier Beverage Co. Bottling line, office, restaurant equipment. Complete 750ml bottling line, SS tanks, forklift and more. View photos at: doddsauction.com

BUILDING SUPPLIES

SEE US FOR A FAST QUOTE ON ALL YOUR BUILDING REQUIREMENTS!

- Flooring
- Heating
- Eaves
- Plumbing
- Roofing

For all your building requirements, large or small!

GLEGG LUMBER LTD.
804 Fulford-Ganges Rd.
537-4978

FUEL/FIREWOOD

FIREWOOD CUT, SPLIT & DELIVERED

Standing timber & logs wanted
MARCO 250.537.6170 or 250.538.0022

SEASONED FIREWOOD

Vancouver Island's largest firewood producer offers firewood legally obtained during forest restoration, large cords, fast delivery. Help restore your forest. Burndrywood.com or 1-877-902-WOOD.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE BY OWNER

HOMES For Sale By Owner. No Commission, just low cost advertising. Helping FSBO for over 12 years! Advertise on MLS for over \$399! www.bcislndhomes.com 1-866-630-SOLD (7653)

HOUSES FOR SALE

GREATER VICTORIA area character 3 bdrm updated home, lrg flat yrd, bsmt suite, on dead end tree lined street. Could be excellent income property. Multi-family zoned. \$675,000. 1-604-505-4957. No realtors please.

HOMES WANTED

WE BUY HOMES

Damaged House? Pretty House? Moving? Divorcing? Estate? We will Buy Your House Quick Cash & Private. Mortgage Too High and House won't sell? Can't make payments? We will Lease Your House, Make your Payments and Buy it Later!

Call: 1-250-616-9053
www.webuyhomesbc.com

LOTS

VICTORIA CITY level lot, 50'x120', multi-family zoned on nice tree lined dead end street. \$550,000. 1-604-505-4957. No Realtors please.

MOBILE HOMES & PARKS

Canadian CSA Modular, Manufactured, and Park Model Homes @ US factory direct wholesale prices. Starting @ \$3,824 better features + more options = best value. The Home Boys 877-976-3737 or 509-481-9830 www.hbmodular.com We will beat anyone's price. Guaranteed!

MORTGAGES

Mortgage Help! Beat bank rates for purchases and refinances, immediate debt consolidation, foreclosure relief, and equity loans. Free, fast, friendly, private consultations. Call 1888-685-6181 www.mountaincitymortgage.ca

REAL ESTATE

HOMES FOR RENT

ROYAL

Property Management Ltd.

3 BEDROOM, 3 BATHROOM, NORTH END LOCATION, AVAILABLE AUGUST 15.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATHS, 2 FIREPLACES, REC ROOM, 2 CAR GARPORT, BEACH ACCESS, \$1400 PER MONTH AVAILABLE SEPT 1.

BEAUTIFUL GANGES HARBOUR VIEW, 3 BDRM, 2 BATH, 2100 SQFT FURNISHED TOWNHOUSE. \$1,975/MO PLUS UTILITIES. AVAIL. SEPT. 1

SPACIOUS 2 STOREY, 2 BEDROOM PLUS DEN WITH SHARED GARAGE NEAR CENTRAL. AVAILABLE LONG TERM. \$1,300/MO.

Call 250.537.5577
Residential Management

HOMES FOR RENT

HOMES FOR RENT

ISLAND EXPLORER

Property Management Ltd. & Real Estate Services

2 Bedroom Oceanview

Northend home, 2 bathroom, W/D, N/S, N/P, wood/electric heat, long term, avail immediately\$1250

3 Bedroom Oceanview Home

Electric/wood heat. Available Sept 1 '11. Short term lease\$1350

2 Bedroom Oceanfront Highend Home

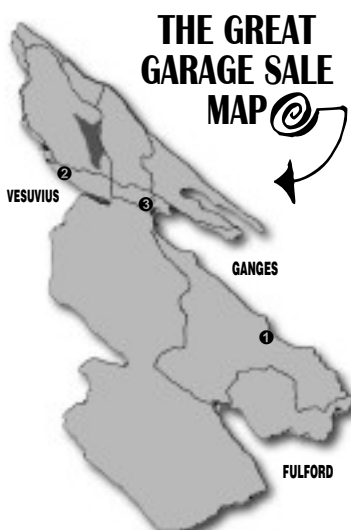
Walk to Fulford Ferry, bright and sunny, long term, avail immediately\$1550



250-537-4722
1-800-800-9492

Island Explorer is a fully licensed, bonded management company under the laws of the B.C. Govt.

Deadline 10 am
Tuesday for
Wednesday paper,
4 pm Wed. for
Friday paper



THE GREAT GARAGE SALE MAP

DRIFTWOOD GARAGE SALE KITS

Everything you need for your Yard Sale!

Includes posters, price stickers & your classified ad published in the Driftwood on Wednesday and online at www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

ONLY \$15.95!
Call today 250-537-9933
www.gulfislandsdriftwood.com

Driftwood
THE COMMUNITY'S FAVORITE CLASSIFIEDS

GARAGE SALES

BIG GARAGE SALE!! Beddis Beach area. Sat. 6 Aug. Watch Community List for details.

EVERYTHING MUST GO! Free stuff and cheap prices. 8am - 1pm. No early birds. 210 Elizabeth Drive. Saturday, Aug. 6.

bcclassified.com

GARAGE SALES

LIONS GARAGE SALE now closed for the summer. We would like to thank our customers for their generous support. We look forward to seeing you Sept. 3. (No drop off's please during our closed months).

MOVING SALE, 114 Pines in Brinkworthy. Paintings, frames, garden & household items, collectibles. Sat. Aug. 6, 9am to 1pm. No early birds.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

A FREE Telephone service - Get your first month free, bad credit ok. No credit checks. Call Freedom Phone Lines today Toll-Free 1-866-884-7464.

DO-IT-YOURSELF steel buildings priced to clear - Make an offer! Ask about free delivery, most areas! Call for quick quote and free brochure - 1-800-668-5111 ext. 170.

"HOME PHONE Reconnect" Call 1-866-287-1348, Prepaid Long Distance Specialists! Feature Package Specials! Referral Program! Don't live with a home phone! Call to Connect! 1-866-287-1348

HOT TUB (SPA) COVERS. Best price. Best quality. All shapes & colours available. 1-866-652-6837 www.thecoverguy.com/news-paper

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

SAWMILLS FROM only \$3997 - Make money & save money with your own bandmill - Cut lumber any dimension. In stock ready to ship. Free Info & DVD: www.NorwoodSawmills.com/40007. 1-800-566-6899 Ext.40007.

STEEL BUILDING Sale... Specials from \$5 to \$12/sq. ft. Great pricing on absolutely every model, width and length. Example: 30'W x 50'L x 16'H. Now \$11,900. End walls included, doors optional. Pioneer Steel Manufacturers 1-800-668-5422.

Who reads us?

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

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Run it 'til it sells. \$24.99
Run your classified ad in The Driftwood 'til it sells!

All ads appear on-line at: gulfislandsdriftwood.com and bcclassified.com
Your private party (merchandise only) classified ad will run in our next 3 insertions • If you need to modify the ad or run it again, just call us and we'll run it again for another 3 insertions • Extra lines at \$0.92 • Please, no more than 3 items, call to remove an item.

DRIFTWOOD CLASSIFIEDS

DEADLINES
TUESDAY 10 AM
classified@gulfislands.net
REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGES

PRIVATE MORTGAGE Lender. Funding smaller 2nd, 3rd, & also short term mortgages. No fees! Please call George 604-736-6914 (Anytime) or gpracific@telus.net. Courtesy to agents.

RECREATIONAL PROPERTY

RARE OPPORTUNITY: waterfront property on beautiful Jim Lake, 0.83-acre with 360 sq ft insulated cabin, located near Green Lake/Watch Lake. Rare privacy, only three lots on the lake, good fishing for rainbows to 10 lbs, nice swimming, surrounded by crown land. Great trails for hiking, ATV and snowmobile. Seasonal 10-km back road access in 4x4 or pick-up. FSO. \$230,000. 250-395-0599. (Please see bchomesforsale.com/70mile/frank.)

RENTALS
ACREAGE

82.8 ACRES, 300' lakefront, S. Cariboo. Beautiful, pastoral, private, rural setting. Borders crown land. Adjacent 80+ acre parcel available.

www.bchomesforsale.com/view/forebutter/ann/

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

2000 SF INDUSTRIAL metal building for lease close to downtown Ganges. 250-537-4457.

OCEAN VIEW office space available overlooking Ganges harbour, 800 square feet. Would suit professional or artist. \$850/month plus taxes, hydro & common costs. Please email fisher@cmwlaw.ca

UPPER GANGES CENTRE, small 2nd floor office available now. 272 sq. ft. Ample parking, chair lift. Call Mary Lou 250-537-5528.

DUPLEXES/4PLEXES

SUN, TREES, decks, views. Large, 2 bdrm Vesuvius apt. avail. soon. \$1,320. Util. incl. Lease, suit 2 persons. 250-537-2808.

HOMES FOR RENT

2 BEDROOM oceanfront highland home. Walk to Fulford Ferry, bright & sunny, long term, avail. immed. \$1550. Contact Island Explorer Property Management 250-537-4722.

2 BEDROOM oceanview North end home. 2 baths, WD, NS, NP, wood/electric heat, long term, avail. immed. \$1250. Contact Island Explorer Property Management 250-537-4722.

2 BEDROOM spectacular ocean view, main floor of home in peaceful neighborhood near beach and hiking trails. Wood floors, wood stove, fridge, stove, WD, fenced garden. Sept 1 for long term lease to quiet tenant with references. NS, NP \$1080 plus utilities. 250-537-0628 or email marika.mayer@telus.net

3 BDRM, 2 bath, Channel Ridge home on 1 acre, water view. 5 appliances, sunny, quiet location, NS, NP length of lease negotiable, \$1600. Avail. Sept 1. 250-537-6558.

3 BDRM, 2 baths, waterfront, sunny, view home. Newly ren. and painted, new appl., 2 decks, garage. Ref req'd, no pets, NS, \$1450/mo. Phone after 6pm. 250-537-9240.

RENTALS
HOMES FOR RENT

3 BEDROOM Oceanview Home Electric/wood heat. Available Sept 1, 2011. Short term lease, \$1350. Contact Island Explorer Property Management 250-537-4722.

BRIGHT, SPACIOUS, 2 bdrm suite. Walk out to garden, large sunny deck. Many closets, lots of storage. 5 appl. in open concept kitchen/dining. Heated tile floor & hardwood. Full bath, utility room with WD, \$1200 hydro incl. 250-538-1617.

FULLY RENOVATED 1260 sq ft 2 bedroom, den, 1-4pc bathroom semi detached home, with sunny private backyard within a short walk of hospital, stores & restaurants. This bright sunny one level home features lots of storage space, an office and hot tub - only minutes to town. NS, pets negotiable. \$1200 per mo. Currently vacant. For more info: 250-827-6246.

PEACEFUL FOREST setting, 2-bdrm house, 1.5 bath, large south deck, skylights, wood stove, gardens, trails, WD, NS, cat ok. \$1200, Sept. 1. 250-537-1530.

WATERFRONT 3 bdrm 2 baths house, furnished, deck, decks, woodstove. Up to 2 year lease, \$1800/mo. Avail mid Sept. Go to: www.saltspringoceanfronthome.com or 416-483-8175.

STORAGE

STORAGE

- HEATED
- HUMIDITY CONTROLLED
- 9' CEILINGS
- 24 HR. ACCESS

Salt Spring's newest storage facility, located at 1429 Fulford-Ganges Rd. Three sizes: 4'x8', 6'x8' and 8'x8', all with 9 foot ceilings for maximum storage. The facility is operated by Island Explorer Property Management Ltd.

MID ISLAND STORAGE
250-537-4722

SUITES, LOWER

MODERN, 1 bdrm. self contained suite in Vesuvius. \$725/mo. plus util. NS, NP, 604-751-1168.

TRANSPORTATION
AUTO FINANCING

FREE CASH Back with \$0 down at Auto Credit Fast. New vehicle? Good or Bad credit call Stephanie 1-877-792-0599 DLN 30309. Free delivery www.autocreditfast.ca

WANT A Vehicle but stressed about your credit? Last week 22 out of 26 applications approved! We fund your future not your past. Any Credit. Receive a \$500 Gift Card. 1-888-593-6095.

MOTORCYCLES

MOTORCYCLE, HONDA, 1980, 650 custom. Great bike in great condition. \$1400 oco phone 250-537-2713.

TRANSPORTATION
MOTORCYCLES

SCOOTERS

Gas & Electric.
Island's Largest Selection.
Vespas & Yamaha & Honda

3700 Hillside Ave., Victoria
250-382-8291
www.sgpower.com
marc@sgpower.com

RECREATIONAL VEHICLES FOR SALE

1988 TRAVELAIRE 5th wheel, 29 ft, \$4000 oco. Penthouse layout. Solid, cozy, comfortable. New fridge. Used mostly as stationary unit. Great vacation cottage or place to stay while you build. Contact Patrick 250-538-1997 or Mike 250-507-2204. Can be viewed Sat. July 30 at 270 Mobrae Ave.

1990, 34' Bounder Class A, 85,000km, rear queen bed, with separate exit & full bath, FS + more. New awning, \$6,000, as is. (250)203-2018, before 8pm.

1994 SPORTMASTER 5th wheel, 27ft, \$6000 oco. Good shape. Used mostly as stationary unit. Gas/electric hot water, furnace, air conditioning, 12 ft. slide. Cottage get-away or temporary residence. Call Patrick 250-538-1997 or Mike 250-507-2204. Can be viewed Sat. July 30 at 270 Mobrae Ave.

2009 JAYCO 5th wheel, 34ft, excellent condition. 4-slides, 12 gal. gas water heater, two 15000 btu a/c's, memory foam mattress, kitchen w/island, sound system, bbq, rear picture window & so much more! \$63,000 oco. Call for info & photos. 250-339-6601 (Comox).

MARINE
BOATS

16' DOUBLE EAGLE boat w/ trailer + 2 Honda outboard engines (60 & 5hp). Little hours, very clean and ready to go. Only \$7000. 250-538-0101.

2001 NOVURANIA, 5 seat inflatable with 50 HP Yamaha 4 stroke. Excellent condition. \$12,995. 2 red Necky, Eliza, (used once) kayaks with gear, \$3500. 250-653-9251.

Hand Made

Cedar stripped canoe
Greenland style kayak

\$900 each

250-537-5156

OUTBOARDS

Yamaha • Suzuki
Honda

from 2 HP to 350 HP

Four strokes

New & Used

Great Selection

Great Prices

Over 40 years in Victoria

3700 Hillside Ave., Victoria

250-382-8291

www.sgpower.com jay@sgpower.com

This Week's Horoscope by Michael O'Connor

Tip of the Week:

From the perspective of Earth, Mars, Uranus and Pluto are forming close angular relationships. Of greatest concern is the fact that Mars will form an exact Opposition (180 degrees) to Pluto and both planets will Square (90 degrees) Uranus. This "aspect pattern" is called a T-Square. Such angular relationships between planets have proven to produce 'synchronistic effects' here on Earth. This aspect pattern is a very powerful indicator of major events. Since Uranus is the 'receiving' planet from both Mars and Pluto and with Uranus positioned in Aries, there is an indication of sudden assertions, and violent shifts, be they geophysical, social/political or otherwise. The manifestation could also be positive, but it is the negative that usually 'gets all the press'. How such energy patterns will manifest depends on the subjects that will be influenced according to their 'nature', like chemistry. Such a configuration is 'destined' because it is a simple mathematical fact that according to the respective orbital speeds of the planets, when they will enter into powerful configurations is predictable - the Astronomy of Astrology. In the big picture, these events are themselves preludes to larger forces set to be released in 2012... (I elaborate on these in my free New Moon Newsletter - send me an email to receive it.)

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
Amidst an otherwise playful and/or romantic mood, you feel inspired to blaze new trails. An urge for freedom vies with a deepening sense of responsibility. People or situations that block the expression of your individuality may be challenged with abrupt intensity. Reactive behaviour could produce shock and upset.

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Amidst an otherwise playful and/or romantic mood, you feel inspired to blaze new trails. An urge for freedom vies with a deepening sense of responsibility. People or situations that block the expression of your individuality may be challenged with abrupt intensity. Reactive behaviour could produce shock and upset.

Taurus (Apr 20 - May 21)

Home is where your heart is, especially lately. Letting go of attachments to what once was, to where or how home used to be may not be so easy, however. Generally, you feel optimistic and confident about things. You may feel like you are still in the learning stages, in certain respects.

Gemini (May 21 - Jun 21)

A deep regenerative process is underway for you. This includes activations of your higher mind. The processes of this awakening may present some weighty challenges. These may be financial or physical and in any case centers on issues of power. This healing process is touching upon all your important relationships.

Cancer (Jun 21 - Jul 22)

Sobering encounters with some real power players are a central theme. Whether these are actual people or circumstances in general, you may well have your work cut out for you. Exercising courage and accessing the riches, resources and/or reserves hidden within are important. Since everything is changing, cooperate by changing everything.

Leo (Jul 22 - Aug 23)

Focusing to improve your skills, lifestyle habits and your self in general is a core theme these days. Rather than focus on the habits and attitudes of others, take a harder look at yourself. There is little reward in trying to be right when it comes to the weaknesses of people. With the Sun in your sign, take the initiative to create a healthier momentum.

Virgo (Aug 23 - Sep 22)

What constitutes your creative power? This is an extra important question for you to ask yourself these days. There is no big rush but the sooner you ask the sooner you will get answers that you can apply. Allowing yourself to 'do what you love so you love what you do' will bring rewards. Bringing attention to your creative offspring may be works of art or literally your children.

Libra (Sep 22 - Oct 22)

Nurturing your personal power is a central theme these days. This includes exercising power and authority in your home environment. Since true power is able and willing to truly 'empower', it may be easy to assess if you are lapsing into control. Nurture your strengths and those of others and you will feel the power and it will be peaceful.

Scorpio (Oct 22 - Nov 21)

As your perceptions deepen, so too are your insights. Developing these so you can share them with others will prove satisfying. What is required is that you identify your own habitual perceptions and be willing to see people and situations from more angles. Let old roles and postures dissolve now and allow new self-concepts and expressions to gestate.

Sagittarius (Nov 21 - Dec 21)

Your ambitions are on the rise. These will be focused upon new foundations, modes and methods. Coming to new assessments of the possibilities, especially where money and other mediums of power are concerned is likely. How else can you be of service? The rewards of good answers will be spiritual as well as material.

Capricorn (Dec 21 - Jan 19)

With your will power steadily on the rise, your main challenge is deciphering how to best direct it. Having ascended to social peaks, the challenge includes how to remain there. Part of the answer includes accessing the creative resources of others. Nurturing relations now is also very important. Share the glory now to secure support and other returns later.

Aquarius (Jan 19 - Feb 19)

You are in a process of cleaning house in more ways than one. Clearing the clutter both within and without is necessary. The more you can consciously tune-in to doing both, the better. Clearing the urge to control may be the main task. Surrender to a higher power and deeper flow to break free of lower mind questions and conflicts. 'One for all....'

Pisces (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

Reform all your associations and friendships is underway. It is time, according to the deeper reaches of your destiny, to open yourself to new visions. Avoid demonizing others or blaming yourself, just accept how you feel. As you do, your soul will be able to work with and through you for new purposes.

Don't Miss An Issue!

Purchase or renew your subscription to
The Driftwood today.
(Use your Residents Card and Save \$5)

250.537.9933

driftwood@gulfislands.net

Driftwood
GULF ISLANDS
YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER SINCE 1960



Arvid Chalmers Ltd.
Real Estate

arvid@saltspring.com

537-7148

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY

BUDDHISM

Path to enlightenment illuminated with Phakyab Rinpoche visit

Events on Salt Spring from Aug. 18 to 21

Salt Spring Islanders and visitors have access to teachings from a Tibetan Buddhist lama with four days of special events on the island later this month.

On Thursday, Aug. 18, Phakyab Rinpoche will give a free public talk called The Power of Aspiration Prayers in Challenging Times, beginning at 7:45 p.m. at the Salt Spring Centre of Yoga.

Phakyab Rinpoche is a Tibetan Buddhist lama in the Gelugpa order, described on the illuminations.org website as "a powerful exemplar of the potential we all have to cultivate the life of the bodhisattva or spiritual hero.

"A steadfast advocate of the non-violent resolution of conflict, Rinpoche brings humility, cheer and boundless compassion to his teaching. His personal story of self-healing from several severe medical conditions vividly demonstrates our inherent potential to heal ourselves physically, mentally and emotionally. His radical healing has astonished his doctors, friends and students alike and serves as a vivid reminder that we all have the ability to transform obstacles into resources for spiritual awakening."

From Friday, Aug. 19 to Sunday, Aug. 21, events move to



Phakyab Rinpoche, left, with the Dalai Lama.

Ganges Yoga Studio on Kings Lane.

Friday night sees Phakyab Rinpoche lead a White Dzambhala Initiation and Empowerment talk from 5 to

7 p.m.

White Dzambhala is described in press material as "a manifestation of Arya Avalokiteshvara, holder of the limitless treasury of merit that arises from his non-dual kindness and compassion. In the absence of merit, we are subject to every type of difficulty and misery. Through the practice of White Dzambhala, our merit will greatly increase. This leads to wealth and prosperity, freedom from sickness and demons, general happiness, and a path to liberation and enlightenment."

On Saturday, an exploration of the Medicine Buddha will begin with an initiation and empowerment session from 2 to 6 p.m.

Medicine Buddha practice will take place on Aug. 21 from noon to 2 p.m., following by a tsog and blessing ceremony from 2 to 5 p.m.

Suggested donation for the Friday evening is \$20, with \$35 for the Saturday and Sunday sessions.

For more information, contact Barbara at barbara@illuminations.org, or Alarra at alarrak@aol.com.

People can register at www.illuminations.org or at the door.

Phakyab Rinpoche comes to Salt Spring with support from the Helen Graham Park Foundation.

Prisoner of circumstances: Mike Danton returns to the pros

The most notorious man in hockey is back in the pros and after five years spent behind bars and a post-secondary reawakening, Mike Danton is finally ready to move on from his infamous past — but whether that desire will come to fruition is a different matter entirely.

Last Friday it was announced the 30-year-old had signed a one-year contract with the Swedish IFK Ore club, a team playing in the third division of the Swedish league. Danton's signing came after spending the last two seasons with the St. Mary's Huskies in the CIS hockey league where he was also able to maintain a 3.9 GPA overall and become an Academic All-Canadian as a result.

Yet Danton's biggest claim to fame, for lack of a better term, originates from his days in the NHL as a member of the St. Louis Blues in 2004. The Brampton native was arrested and charged with conspiracy to commit murder and subsequently pled guilty to attempting to hire a hitman to kill his then-agent David Frost.

Sounds a lot like an Elmore Leonard novel, doesn't it?

Danton was then sentenced to seven-and-a-half years in prison and served five in a correctional institution in Minnesota before being transferred to Ontario where, under Canadian law, he was eligible for and granted parole on Sept. 11, 2009 after 63 months in jail.

The story received a



Patrick Cwiklinski

LET'S TALK SPORTS

massive amount of media attention, particularly in hockey circles, since such a scandalous plot had never occurred in what most people believed to be a rather tame sport — in comparison to baseball, basketball and football — behind the scenes.

But Danton's story goes beyond simply employing a hitman in a fit of rage to deal with his agent. That's because Frost himself is a

very bad man.

Though Danton has denied Frost was the target of the hit, their history would perhaps suggest otherwise.

Frost was Danton's junior hockey coach and it was later revealed he used manipulation tactics to lure him away from his parents and allegedly abused his younger brother with a group of players in an attempt to "initiate" him into their clan.

A taped phone call between the two, a week after Danton's arrest, also suggested a relationship of a sexual nature, with Frost instructing the hockey player to plead guilty and then telling him to say "I love you," which Danton repeats.

In a separate case in 2006, Frost was charged with 12 counts of sexual exploitation for alleged crimes stemming from his time as coach of the Quinte Hawks junior hockey team and included acts on females and males between the ages of 14 and 16.

Frost was found not guilty on those charges on Nov. 29, 2008.

Though it's never excusable to take someone's life in matters that don't pertain to self-defence, this was a man who controlled, and perhaps still in some distant way controls, Danton in ways that we are unable to even fathom.

Danton has served his time as ordered by law and while it is true that he is an ex-convict, the angst Dan-

ton went through under Frost was punishment enough and he should be able to, at the very least, play out the few years of his hockey career in peace.

This is a completely unique and equally horrific situation. Danton isn't Michael Vick or the recently released Plaxico Burres, NFL players and famed felons who are active in the league today, making big money no less.

Danton is not spoiled by the riches of his former league. In fact, who knows if the NHL would even take a second shot at him?

Mike Danton may never be a role model for his prison time, but a criminal? Perhaps it's best to let people decide that for themselves.

to your

HEALTH

TO ADVERTISE CALL KIM OR ERIN 250.537.9933

MEET YOUR WEST COAST
HEALTH PROVIDERS

SALT SPRING FOOTPRINTS

ORTHOTICS - Custom made on island
perfectly fitted to your feet

Complimentary Consultation / Free Housecalls
Electronic Gait Analysis / Shoe Modification

NEW! CUSTOM MADE COMFORT SANDALS

Markus & Barbara Poerschke
Orthotist & Orthopedic Shoe Technicians Since 1987
1 - 266 Lower Ganges Rd 250-537-1720

SSI Medical Equipment
Teams up with MEDichair Victoria!!!

MEDichair has been serving southern Vancouver Island and Gulf Islands for over 24 years with exceptional product and service in the medical equipment field.

This relationship enables SSI Medical Equipment to provide the full range of products offered by MEDichair, including:

- Overhead Lifts • Curved Stair Glides
- Scooters • Lift chairs • Wheelchairs
- and all the other helpful products to keep you moving forward.

MEDichair
the home medical equipment specialists

Salt Spring Island Phone Patrick Cassidy
250.537.1990 for
FREE TRIALS

**In the Health field?
Advertise here!**

Call Erin at The Driftwood
250-537-9933
ejory@gulfislands.net

July 11-Aug 31, 2011

Summer Sizzler Special
ALL CLASSES
\$8

gangesyogastudio.com 250 537 2444

GANGES YOGA STUDIO
154 Kings Lane

STILL POINT YOGA STUDIO
121 Upper Ganges Road

GANGES MASSAGE THERAPY REFLEXOLOGY and REIKI

Stewart Katz, RMT
Julie Howard

Massage, Reflexology, Reiki
Adult Swim Instruction/Coaching
Open Six Days A Week
128 Hereford Ave.
250-538-7478

Sunrise Yoga with Jenny @ Elements Studio

A Joyous, energetic, All Levels Practice
7:00-8:30 a.m. Tues., Thurs. Sat.

Drop-in only \$5-\$10
250.931.0092
jcollver@shaw.ca

Sports & Recreation

AIKIDO

Taking hold of new aikido classes

Club deemed a perfect fit for Salt Spring

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

Instructor Alan Wardroper said a good turnout for the island's inaugural aikido class recently bodes well for the martial art's future on the island.

Less than a month after the call went out to start Salt Spring's very own aikido club, Wardroper and at least a dozen prospective students began their first official practices mid-July.

"Aikido is a dynamic, non-aggressive Japanese martial art suitable for all. It is not about fighting, winning or losing," Wardroper writes on the Salt Spring Aikikai Facebook site. "We don't break bricks (or each other)."

The discipline's ability to combine self-defence, fitness and a dash of ancient spirituality make it the perfect fit for Salt Spring, Wardroper said.

About 70 years ago, Aikido founder Morihei Ueshiba's healthy curiosity led him to develop a martial art that combined elements of Japanese religion, political ideology and ancient fighting styles.

"He wasn't afraid to try new things," Wardroper said. "He would have really liked living on Salt Spring. That's partly why I feel Salt Spring is the ideal place for aikido."

Practices for people of all abilities and experience levels take place at Wardroper's home on Monday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:30 and on Wednesday evenings between 6:30 and 8:30.

Course fees will be \$8 per class, \$40 per month or \$100 for a three-month membership. Students and low-income



Brian Smallshaw, left, and instructor Alan Wardroper loosen up before practice at Salt Spring Aikikai, the island's newly formed aikido club.

participants will be eligible for a 50 per cent discount.

Wardroper's extensive martial arts experience is complemented with knowledge from other club members and special visits by sensei Garry Blaine from Sidney's Still Waters Aikikai.

Participants are asked to wear light, loose clothing; leave off jewellery and

scents; and make sure nails are clean and short to avoid injuring others.

For more information about the club, contact Wardroper at info@saltspringaikikai.com, saltspringaikido@gmail.com or 250-538-5549. More info and registration forms are also available through the club's website at www.saltspringaikikai.com.

Imagine Salt Spring Island as a municipality incorporated with the *Preserve and Protect* mandate of the Islands Trust....we CAN have both
www.islandgov.org

TIERNEY'S WHOLESALE LTD.

"PAPER & PACKAGING
PRODUCTS"

Supplying your business needs for: bakery, café, cleaning, food service, grocery, hotel, institutional, retail, restroom, shipping & more!
Custom print & biodegradable products.

www.tierneyswholesale.com

Locally owned & operated

250-538-0111

Salt Spring Island Community Services

268 Fulford-Ganges Rd.
250-537-9971
www.saltspringcommunityservices.ca
COUNSELLING SERVICES ARE FREE

- * **Counselling Services:** Short-term counselling for adults, youth and families.
- * **Alcohol and Drug Program:** Prevention and treatment service is free and confidential.
- * **Family Place:** Rug Huggers Baby & Parent Drop-In: Mon. 11-2, Dad 'n Me: Sat. 8:30-10
- * **Let's Do Brunch:** Tuesday, 9:30am - 12:30pm
- * **Food Bank:** Open Tuesday, 11am - 4pm
- * **The Wall:** Indoor Rock Climbing Gym, open Thurs. & Sun. 6:30-9:30 pm. Information: ahasenfratz@gmail.com or 250-537-8970
- * **Recycle Depot:** Open Tuesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm, 349 Rainbow Rd., 250-537-1200.
- * **Seniors Wellness Programs:** Call Sharon Glover at 250-537-4607.
- * **Emergency Mental Health Services:** Available 4 pm to midnight at Lady Minto Hospital. Call 250-538-4840
- * **24-hr. Crisis Line:** Toll free: 1-866-396-6323. Caller is connected with the Need Crisis Centre in Victoria.

SWIMMING

Salt Spring proves popular spot for swim meet

Lake and pool used

Salt Spring Stingrays hosted a huge crowd on the July 22-24 weekend for both its open water and invitational swim meet.

According to Stingrays president Doug Fraser, some 90 swimmers descended on Joel and Tracey Shaver's St. Mary Lake property for the open water swim part of the event.

The fastest male participant was Byron Trajan from Nanaimo, completing the one-kilometre course in 13 minutes and 46 seconds. Not far behind was the fastest female swimmer, Megan Rousseau of Courtenay, finishing in 14 minutes and 39 seconds.

Saturday and Sunday saw 249 swimmers racing in both individual and relay events at the Rainbow Road Pool.

"It was the first meet for some of our own Stingrays rookies and they made our team proud as they competed with determination and smiles," said Fraser.

A parent relay on Sunday afternoon saw 18 teams of parents showing "their grit and endurance in a rousing series of races accompanied by roof-raising cheers from their onlooking kids."

"I love my new prescription sun glasses! Thank you Wendy for helping me select them and for the quick delivery."



**GULF ISLANDS
OPTICAL**

250-537-2648 Lancer Building

SAVE!...on accessories for your FURRY FRIENDS
Show us your Residents Card and get
15% OFF PET ACCESSORIES
During the Month of August.
(EXCLUDES PET FOOD)

Home Owners
helping
Homeowners™

SHOP 7 DAYS A WEEK • 250.537.5551



**MOUAT'S
Home
hardware**

SPORTS & RECREATION

BASEBALL

Islanders make history with win at provincials

Boys grow from Surrey tourney experience

Salt Spring's AA Mosquito-league baseball team returned from the provincial championships in Surrey over the weekend having achieved a first in island baseball history.

The eight- to 11-year-old Salt Spring Islanders all-stars earned their first victory at the B.C. championship level, beating their arch rival, the Ladysmith Cannons, by a decisive 14-4 score.

After a successful season of play on and off the island, the Islanders earned a spot at the championships as one of the top 10 teams in the province.

According to parent reporter Dominica Sweet, the final game of the tournament, played against the Newton Red Sox, "kept all of us nervous parents on the edge of our seats." By the end of the fourth inning, the teams were tied at eight runs apiece.

"Again, the boys couldn't have played better, but a hard-fought game ended in a loss by the end of the open inning."

Team members also got their feet wet with a 10-4 loss to the Vancouver Yankees and an 8-7 loss to Tsawwassen. In that game, said Sweet, time constraints kept them from playing the open inning, which denied Salt Spring the possibility of a comeback win.

Coach Don Nemeth said the coaches were thrilled by the poise and sportsmanship shown by all of the boys, noting they were "a real class act."

On behalf of the parents, Sweet expressed thanks to "the four dedicated, caring coaches who have tirelessly shared their time and experience with this exceptional group of boys." Assisting Nemeth during the successful season were Blaine Johnson, Jordon Godlonton and Pete Schure.

Sweet also acknowledged support from "Country Grocer, TJ Beans and the rest of this wonderful community for supporting us in our efforts. We know how fortunate we are."

GOLF

Pink rules the day at Golf Fore the Cure

Breast cancer research gets \$6,000 from Salt Spring women

BY SUSAN RUSSELL
DRIFTWOOD CONTRIBUTOR

You really had to love pink to play golf with the ladies last Tuesday. There were pink balloons, pink tees for the mulligans, pink ball caps, pink wigs and all manner of pink clothing.

There was even a golf cart completely decorated in pink flowers, by Elaine Shaw and Jehanne Kirwin, who won the prize for being "the pinkest persons" at the event.

The occasion was the annual Golf Fore the Cure tournament to raise money for breast cancer research.

More than \$6,000 was raised thanks to the generous golfers and the very generous sponsors and donors.

The golfers paid to play, paid to have lunch, paid for mulligans and paid for gimmes.

There were raffles, door prizes and a bottle drive. There was a putting contest won by Judy Nurse, a safest drive won by Denise Heaton and a KP conquered by Joan Winstanley.

A field of over 60 ladies enjoyed the complimentary



Elaine Shaw and Jehanne Kirwin won "the pinkest person" prize at the Golf Fore the Cure event.

breakfast goodies supplied by Christine Godlonton, and a very able committee headed by Karen Davies made sure that everyone had a good time.

An especially good time was had by the Babes of the Beach — Joan White and Elizabeth Hengstler — they looked great in their tiaras after hitting the bunkers with regularity.

The skill prize, low net, was won by ringer Sara Simpson, who was partnered with yours

truly, the most surprised golfer of the day.

New this year was the exciting prospect of a hole-in-one prize on Hole #6, with \$10,000 going to the winner. Some came close, but missed the cup. Donated by Mafalda Hoogerdijk of Salt Spring Insurance Services, this contest proved to be very popular with the golfers, and Mafalda presented the committee with a new perpetual trophy, as she plans to present this competi-

tion and prize annually.

"I'm so pleased to be able to support Golf Fore the Cure, and especially for such a worthy cause. I look forward to next year."

Mafalda is just one of the many individuals and businesses to support this annual event.

The most support was offered by the terrific team of women who volunteered their time to put it all together. We can't wait for next year.

Salt Spring Island's
best kept secret. 🌿

The HOSPITALITY SUITE
at Heritage Place for Seniors

Available for short-term stays from 3 nights to 3 months, for islanders & visitors aged 65+

**Extraordinary Food
Extraordinary People
Extraordinary Experience**

Home-cooked evening meal, telephone, cable, laundry facilities, housekeeping & Lifeline emergency call system included.

**Senior living for the young at heart...
Come get to know us!**

Contact: Teron Wolf, General Manager
250.537.8340
www.HeritagePlace.info

Retirement Sale...

FROM NOW UNTIL THE END OF OCTOBER

After 14 years, we will be retiring come the end of October. As a thank you to all of our loyal customers we begin marking things down in preparation.

COME IN AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SAVINGS...

20-50% OFF

EVERYTHING IS ON SALE!

GRACE POINT SQUARE
250-537-8999

Are you interested in the legalization of secondary suites on Salt Spring?

Islands Trust wants to hear from you!

Islands Trust staff are looking for volunteers to host kitchen meetings and garden sessions in your neighbourhood.

That's right! We want to come to YOU to hear your thoughts, suggestions, or concerns about allowing secondary suites on Salt Spring. If you, or one of your neighbours, would like to host a planner from the Islands Trust for an informal home meeting, please call the Islands Trust office at 250-537-9144 or email ssinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca.

For more information visit:
www.islandstrust.bc.ca/ltr/ss/lubproject2010suites.cfm

A salute to the members and support staff of the
Salt Spring Island detachment of the RCMP

BE PREPARED...FOR

You will always have power with a
STANDBY GENERATOR!




ON ISLAND SALES & SERVICE
by Factory-Trained
Technicians

We have sold more Briggs &
Stratton Standby Generators
on Salt Spring than any other brand.

RENTAL STOP
Tools & Equipment

#1-327 Rainbow Rd.
www.rentalstop.ca

250-538-0388

Don't forget your medicine!



Live well with
PHARMASAVE


DOWNTOWN 250-537-5534
104 Lower Ganges Rd.
UPTOWN LOCATION 250-538-0323
372 Lower Ganges Rd.
OPEN MON.-SAT. 9-6 / SUN & HOLIDAY MON. 11-5

Just like your home, your



How sta


Ph: 2
Sidney
Oak Ba




SGT. GEORGE JENKINS
DETACHMENT COMMANDER
Service: 19 years
Service on Salt Spring: 6 months
Interests: boating, fishing, hiking



CPL. MARTIN BEARDSMORE
Service: 16 years
On Salt Spring: 7 years, 2 postings
Interests: travel, outdoors,
spending time with family




CST. KENT EMERY
Service: 7 years
On Salt Spring: 3 years
Interests: mountain biking, geocaching,
kayaking, spending time with family



CST. ANGIE BERGUNDER
Service: 15 yrs
On Salt Spring: 1 year
Interests: boating,
outdoor activities



CST. BRENT FRIESEN
Service: 3.5 yrs
On Salt Spring: 3.5 yrs
Interests: boating, bowling,
spending time with family



CST. BRANDI
Service:
On Salt Spring:
Interests: fishi
hiking and hangi

Laurie's
RECYCLING & WASTE
Services Inc.



SUPPORTS OUR COMMUNITY
& RCMP MEMBERS

250-653-9279

COMMERCIAL – CONSTRUCTION
– RESIDENTIAL –

Pick Up & Drop Off / Clean Ups
Containers / Free Scrap Metal Recycling

Drop Off: Monday to Saturday 8am - 5pm
Next to Country Grocer

An Island Family Since 1861

DON'T BE LEFT IN THE DARK

Be Prepared with a
Honda Generator

- 1000-7000 watts
- Powered by Honda
- Four Stroke
- Easy Starts, Every Time
- Environmentally Responsible
- Automatic Voltage Regulation
- Inverter Circuitry



starting at **\$999.**

EU1000ic EU2000ic

EU3000ic EM5000isc EM6500SXKC



WATER PUMPS \$399.
starting at

Many other models also in stock

HARBOURS END MARINE & EQUIPMENT
122 Upper Ganges Road
Fax: 250-537-4029

Mon.-Fri. 8:30am - 5pm
Saturdays 9 - 3pm

250-537-4202

Local RCMP detach
rooted in com

BY SEAN MCINTYRE
DRIFTWOOD STAFF

When the level of drug trafficking, petty theft, public drunkenness and mischief in and around Centennial Park left Ganges' business owners few alternatives but to take action several years ago, officers at the island's RCMP detachment couldn't help but take notice.

The result was more foot patrols, increased communication with neighbours and an effort to restore the downtown core.

Although police and business owners still monitor the area closely, prioritizing the area at that time led to a renewal of Centennial Park as a safe and vibrant community space.

According to Cpl. Martin Beardsmore, that success was a result of the force's ability to listen to the community and target the detachment's resources on a given area.

The specific process, which can be found in any RCMP detachment across the country, is called the annual performance plan.

It may sound like a beast perfectly suited to a bureaucracy-bound organization but it's a process that's essential to determine what gets done on Salt Spring and in any other communities where the RCMP operates in Canada.

"Every year we try to create areas of attention," Beardsmore said. "It helps to be focused on things so you aren't just running in opposite directions at all times."

While statistics and trends help determine what areas warrant extra attention from police, Beardsmore said, community concerns like those raised by Ganges-area business owners are always a vital part of the mix.

Every spring, the detachment heads gather to discuss and implement strategies and priorities for the coming operational year.

Now that Centennial Park issues have subsided, reports indicate some of that behaviour has migrated to nearby Grace Point and Moutat Park.

"The commun
much more
in calling and
interested in sta

CPL. MARTIN BEARDSMORE
SALT SPRING DETACHMENT



GULF COAST MATERIALS
250-537-2611

Root Cellar Storage?
Think Concrete!



CLEAN WARMTH SERVICES
WARMING PEOPLE NOT THE PLANET



PELLET STOVES AND MORE
Shaun & Sue Farrell, 4 - 8377 Chemainus Rd. at Crofton Rd.
250-246-4346 cleanwarmth@gmail.com

ANY EMERGENCY

A salute to the members and support staff of the Salt Spring Island detachment of the RCMP

Insurance coverage needs a strong foundation. Is yours? Need a review... Call us today.



SEAFIRST INSURANCE BROKERS
Suite 1103 • 115 Fulford-Ganges Rd., SSI, BC V8K 2T9
250-537-5527 • Fax: 250-537-9700 • Email: seafirstinsurance.com
Toll free: 1-866-656-9866 • Brentwood Bay toll free: 1-877-655-1141
250-592-5544 • Saanichton-Anchor Insurance: 1-800-663-0877

PACIFIC COAST Generators Ltd

"Your One Stop Power Solution"

The industry leader in automatic standby generators...

- ✓ Sales
- ✓ Service
- ✓ Installation
- ✓ Warranty

LOWEST ON ISLAND PRICES!!

• RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL

24/7
AUTOMATIC
POWER PROTECTION

Authorized Dealer
GENERAC

info@pcgenerators.com
www.pcgenerators.com



250.538.9006

Available Here!
...for only
\$59.99



The Canadian Red Cross Emergency Preparedness BACKPACK!!!

Contains:

- Dust Masks • Work Gloves
- Emergency Rescue Blanket
- SOS Sign • Duct Tape
- Collapsible Water Container
- Flashlight Radio
- 50 Hour Candle
- Waterproof Matches
- First Aid Kit
- Biohazard Waste Bags
- Water Purification Tablets
- Glow Stick • Whistle
- Multi-function Knife
- Emergency Plastic Sheeting



MOUAT'S Home hardware

250-537-5551 • SHOP 7 DAYS A WEEK Home Owners helping Homeowners™



DON SMITH
Service: 19 months
On Salt Spring: 19 months
Interests: fishing, exercising, out with family



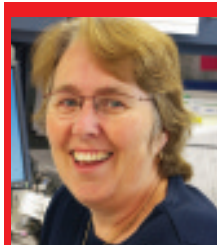
CST. TERRY TIGANIS
Service: 20 months
On Salt Spring: 20 months
Interests: family, playing with his dog Chico, watching movies, computer gaming



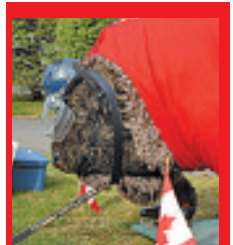
CHUCK PERSSON
Service: 4 years
On Salt Spring: Five months
Interests: spending time with family, boating and fishing



GWEN DENLUCK
DETACHMENT SERVICES ASSISTANT
Service: 30 years
On Salt Spring: 23 years
Interests: Quilting, sailing, family time



LORETTA RITHALER,
DETACHMENT SERVICES ASSISTANT
Service: 11.5 yrs
On Salt Spring: 11.5 yrs
Interests: family time, gardening



CST. BUDOLPH LINK, MASCOT
KATIE WATTERS, (not pictured)
VICTIM SERVICES COORDINATOR
Service: 2 months / On Salt Spring: 2 months

hment's priorities community input

ity has been
e proactive
they are very
aying proactive."

BEARDSMORE
ING RCMP



"We're only a bad week away from that happening again," Beardsmore said.

While restoring and preserving law and order in the downtown core is paramount, the Salt Spring detachment's second priority is traffic safety.

Anyone who travels regularly through any of the island's school and playground zones, for example, has certainly noticed an increase in the number of speed traps over the past several months.

With the detachment set to receive speed-detection units, Beardsmore said, drivers can expect to see more monitoring on island roads.

Beardsmore said routine traffic stops are beneficial not only as a way to crack down on "aggressive drivers," but to also make sure uninsured, unlicensed and impaired drivers are taken off the road.

The detachment-crafted priorities list, Beardsmore said, is even more important on an island with limited person power and back-up that's at least boat ride away.

All it takes, he said, is one or two officers out on leave or injury to spread the force thin and make it difficult to "project a presence" on the community.

That's why, he added, it's still crucial for residents, like the business owners of the Ganges core, to play an active role in the community by sharing their thoughts and suggestions to support the local detachment's ever-evolving priority list.

"The community has been much more proactive in calling and they are very interested in staying proactive," he said.

For more information about the Salt Spring RCMP's annual performance plan, contact the local detachment at 250-537-5555 or drop by the station during regular business hours.

Looking to upgrade your DOOR SECURITY?

SHOP WINDSOR FOR TRUSTED NAMES:



SMART KEY
&
KEY PAD
DEADBOLTS

Windsor Plywood

FINISHING... And
BUILDING SUPPLIES

166 Rainbow Road, Ph: 250-537-5564 / Fax: 250-537-1207
Mon-Fri 7 am - 5:30 pm / Sat 8 am - 5:30 pm / Closed Sundays

Emergency Kit Grocery List

Be able to produce a **week** of meals for your family, anywhere, with minimal equipment, heat source and water. Select foods you like to eat which also meet any special dietary needs.

- | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bottled Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet Paper | <input type="checkbox"/> Candles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Juice | <input type="checkbox"/> Tooth Brush | <input type="checkbox"/> Can Opener |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Milk | <input type="checkbox"/> Tooth Paste | <input type="checkbox"/> Matches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Beans | <input type="checkbox"/> Soap | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Foods |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Corn | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Soup | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Dried Fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tea | <input type="checkbox"/> Protein Drinks | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jam | <input type="checkbox"/> Granola Bars | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Pasta | <input type="checkbox"/> Dried Cereal | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crackers | <input type="checkbox"/> Nuts | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Tuna | <input type="checkbox"/> Cookies | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Salmon | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby Food | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Chicken | <input type="checkbox"/> Batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Check your kit periodically
and replace outdated items.

THRIFTY FOODS™

SALTSPRING

114 Purvis Lane Ganges, Mouat's Centre
Customer Service 250 537 1522 | Winter Store Hours: 7:30am to 8pm
Summer Store Hours: 7:30am to 9pm

Heritage Place for Seniors would like to thank SSI Emergency Responders for their continued dedication and service.

You truly are our heroes!

Heritage Place
BCSLA Approved
www.HeritagePlace.info



DID YOU KNOW?

We keep in stock at all times:

- wood stove pellets
- bio flame eco-fir briquets
- salt for deicing

For when you need it!



250-653-4871 1429 Fulford Ganges Road