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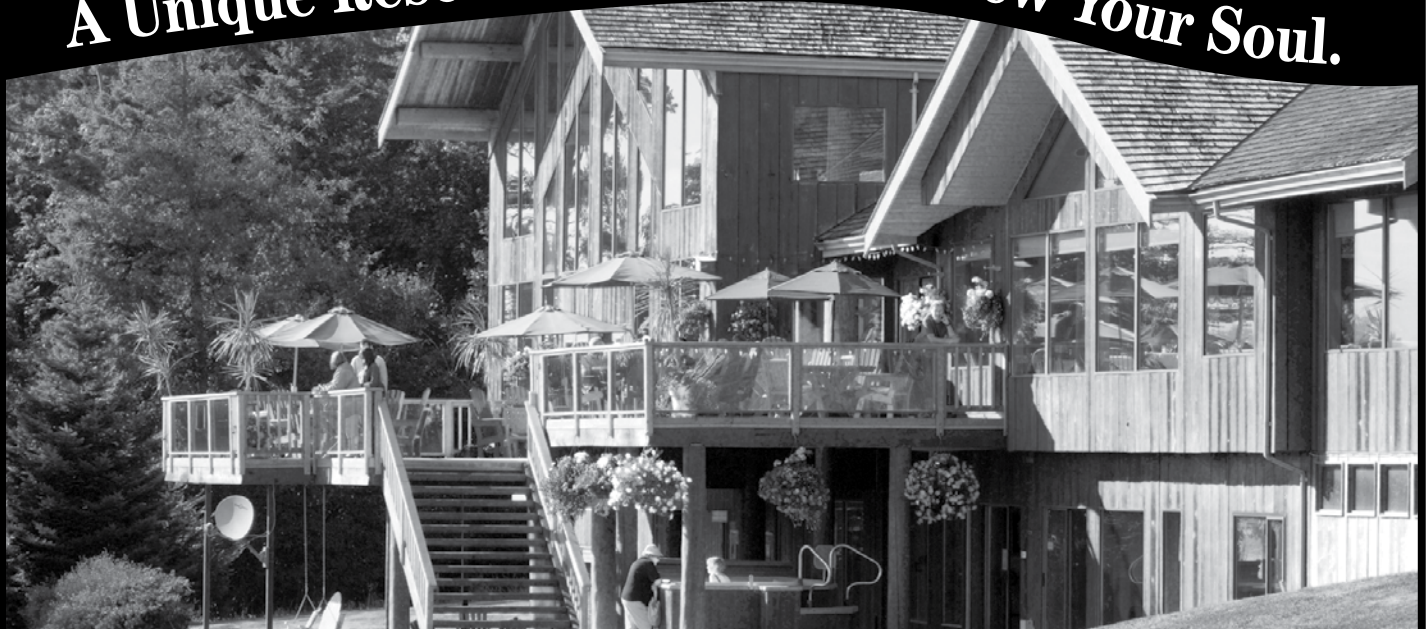
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THE REGULARS

MONDAY

- Parent & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm
- Sing for Pure Joy! Room 3, QCC, 3 - 4:30 pm, All welcome.
- Weight Watchers, QCC, 6 pm - 7 pm
- Alcoholics Anonymous 7-8 pm Childrens' Centre **Men Only**
- 1st Monday - Quadra writers group, 7 - 9 pm 285-3656

TUESDAY

- Zumba with Pam-QCC NEW TIME 6:20- 7:20 pm
- Al-Anon Meeting, Quadra Children's Centre, 7:00 pm
- Folkdancing, QCC, 7:30 to 9:30, Sept 18-Apr 30

WEDNESDAY

- Parent and Babes 11 am QCC
- UofQ - HiYa education from your neighbours. HBI pub 7:00 pm
- Hand-drum Circle, Upper Realm, 7:45 - 9:15 pm
- 1st & 3rd Wednesday Food Bank, QCC 1 - 2 pm

THURSDAY

- Parents & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm
- Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7 pm
- Drop in games and wing night, Legion, 7:00 pm.
- Quadra Singers community choir 6:45 p.m., Quadra Community Centre (Sept. 13 through Dec. 12: Concert Dec. 15) Info: 250-285-2739

FRIDAY

- Unplugged Guitar/Singing Jam 7:45 p.m. Upper Realm
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 pm Quadra Children's Centre
- Live bands in the HBI Pub 9:00 pm

SATURDAY

- Winter Farmers Market & Bazaar 10 am to 2 pm QCC
- "Fun Ride" Easy to Moderate bike ride 10:30 am Aroma Cafe
- Quadra Legion Meat Draw 5 pm
- Open mic with Mo. 9:00 pm HBI pub

SUNDAY

- Family Service, Quadra Island Bible Church, 10:30 am
- United Church service 11 am. Occasionally at noon, if advertised. 285-3163
- Quadra Sunday Painters, 11 am - 2 pm, 285-3390
- Buddhist meditation, Upper Realm, 10 am.

Island Calendar is a list of on island events. Please submit separately for the **Island Calendar** and **News & Events** or indicate in your submission if you would like your event placed in both. **Following the text order exactly as above for email submissions is appreciated** (month, date, day, title, place and time), use the title as your email subject. Current advertisers welcome to submit events but not-for-profit items will be given priority. Thank you for understanding.

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DAY TO DAY

Friday, October 12

- Friday Flicks - Le Havre - doors open 7:30 pm Show 7:45 pm QCC
- Earthlings - HBI Pub no cover, music starts at 9 pm

Sunday, October 14

- Fung-Chiu Piano Duo: four hands one piano QCC, 2:30 pm

Monday, October 15

- Garden Club presents the CR Bonsai Club 7pm QCC

Friday, October 19

- The Spooked Word celebrate Halloween - QCC 7 pm details page 15
- Ray Bennett Band, HBI Pub, music starts at 9 pm

Saturday, October 20

- Sierra Quadra presents 'Surviving Progress' QCC doors 7pm, show 7:30 pm

Sunday, October 21

- Dinner Jazz with Noelle Maffin & Steve Smith - Herons at the HBI 6-8 pm

Anyday, in October

- An event on Cortes Island, could be happening - who would know??

Monday, October 22

- Next deadline for the Discovery Islander - new material by 7 pm please

Friday, October 26

- Halloween Dance with Duffy Live, HBI Pub music starts at 9 pm

Wednesday, October 31

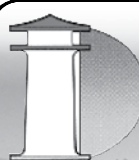
- Halloween Fun Night at the Quadra Community Centre

Saturday, November 3

- Quadra Children's Centre Goods & Services Auction 7pm QCC

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NEXT DEADLINE
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

ISLAND FORUM

Is it just me...?

Is it just me or is there something especially nauseating about the increasing promotion of Justin Trudeau as heir apparent to the 'crown' of Canada? I mean, what the hell has he ever done?

I suppose I am biased. He is handsome, rich and his wife is pretty. Plus, of course, his last name is Trudeau. Does a prime minister need anything more? Wouldn't seem to. Harper doesn't even have that!

I suppose I was 'turned off' young Trudeau by his eulogy for his father. Falling on the coffin and crying "I love you, Dad!", on national TV just seemed a bit theatrical and rehearsed to me. Made me cringe. But, again, it could be me. I am not 'big' on such made-for-TV things.

But, honestly.....doesn't it seem desperate if not just a bit manipulative by the Liberals to promote a man who, for the most part, has just lived a privileged and wealthy life before being 'handed' a political appointment for the sake of 'grooming-to-be-leader'? Justin has only been an MP since 2008. And he has been in the decimated Liberal no-longer-even-the-official-opposition party at that. Shouldn't leaders actually have a track record of leading? Or, at the very least, having accomplished something? Do we really have to pick leaders who are just good looking followers? Pretty boys and girls who do as the party tells them?

In America they say that every child has a chance to be president. 'Course the odds are greater than 320 million to one. Much greater, actually. So what are the odds of a man becoming president and then, a few years later, his son becoming president too? Pretty lucky

family, eh? Doesn't it look like the lottery was fixed? I mean, how could anyone believe that, in the span of 20 or so years, the best leadership the US had to offer was GH Bush and GW Bush?

And are we not being fed that same kind of deceit? Are we not being sold on a man who has nothing special but pedigree? Is this not like the divine rule of kings where the leaders were chosen by their king who was also their own father? Have we not rid ourselves of this kind of nepotistic corruption?

I have voted, it seems, for every party at one time or another. I usually vote for the person with the most integrity. Finding any is usually a challenge in itself. But I work at trying to find that out. I try to ignore the 'flag' they carry. But I can feel it already - I would not be voting for Justin Trudeau even if he lived here. I don't like being manipulated. I don't like insincerity and I really don't think he has proven himself worthy of the job he is being so obviously groomed for.

But I may not be physically capable of voting at all. If I see much more of this Justin Bieber Trudeau celebrity promotion thing, I may just lapse into long term involuntary vomiting.

J. David Cox

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Thank You Quadra!!!



Morgan James Stewart-Webb, Noah, Amanda and Lyra would like to thank our friends, family and community for your love, prayers, service and support. I hope this reaches everyone of you as the web of who to thank grows bigger every day.

Firstly to the B.C Ambulance and Fire Department for doing such an amazing job. Dr Lund at emergency in Campbell River and the nurses and doctors in Victoria NICU. Our friends in Victoria who brought us food and offered and shared with us their homes, cars and gave us support.

What amazing surprises awaited us when we came home to find the farm, garden and our home so well taken care of and so much hard work done for us. And for all the amazing meals that have been brought to our home.

We are so grateful to be a part of this loving community. Morgan is a healthy growing baby boy and he has already taught us many things in his first six weeks on earth. Thank you for being part of our miracle.

Amanada & Noah
Stewart-Webb

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REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Area C

by Jim Abram

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone! We have so much to be thankful for. The sunny weather for one and the starry nights for another. I just might actually get my fall / winter prep. done in time for winter, for once! Maybe!

I will try to pick up where I left off last report. It has been a very eventful two weeks and has flown by!

Smart Meters

In my last report I spoke of the failed motion at our Board table regarding opposition to Smart Meters. Unfortunately our SRD board did not see fit to fight it, but that does not mean that there is no hope. Other groups around the Province are still opposing them. For all things related to BC Hydro, please contact the head Community Relations manager, Ted Olnyk, ((250) 755-7180; (250) 618-6267 (cell)).

Q. Cove Sewer "issues"

I am going to repeat part of my last report just to let you know what is happening with the sewer issues.

I met with our planners about the issues that are still outstanding regarding the sewer service in the Cove. What I can tell you right now is, the water study for the entire Cove area has been started and will be done by a consultant with grant funding (not on your taxes!). The outfall is being repaired on October 7th and 8th. The

anchors need to be replaced. And last of all is that a report will be coming forward to the October committee meeting outlining all options for dealing with the expansion of the service (which will lower the annual operating cost to all users of the service).

Since that time, I met with about a dozen of the people within the sewer area that are still displeased with the sewer rates to try and answer any questions that I could. They will be meeting with the senior staff to have everything clarified and then making decisions on what they might do. I agree that the rates are way too high and as I have said numerous times, we need more properties on the sewer to be able to pay into it and make it more affordable for all.

To this end, staff was directed (as I mentioned in my last report) to come back to our meeting this Wednesday (the 10th) with a complete set of options and possibilities for fixing this unacceptable situation that we inherited when we took on the sewer. There are many steps that will need to be taken in order to make this all work. I hope to be able to report to you after our meetings that we will be proceeding with a solution.

Outer Islands

As I mentioned in my last report, I will be bringing the two top officials from the Ministry of Highways along with the manager of Emcon services over to Read on Oct. 12th to discuss the needs

for their roads on the island. We will also be meeting that same day at the Surge Narrows road end to discuss improvements for that part of the road, which leads to our wharf at Hoskyn Landing. That day is approaching and all arrangements have been made with staff and with outer islanders. We are really hoping for some positive outcomes. The officials whom we are meeting with are very reasonable and easy to communicate with. That is a good thing! In my experience we don't always get such good people to deal with in ministries, etc.

Advisory group

I have a number of people in mind for this group to help represent various points of view and will be talking with them shortly to form this group. I will keep you informed and announce their names when I know more.

Last, but by far, not least.. UBCM!

This was the most intense and productive five days of meetings that I have attended in a long time (seven with travel!). The days started at 5:30am and ended at about 10pm, with back to back meetings or sessions with Ministers, MLA's and senior officials each day and networking events each evening.

On Monday, our group of 14 chairs of all of the Regional Districts and the Islands

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Oct 12 **Earthlings**

Oct 19 **the Ray Bennett Band**

Oct 21 **Dinner Jazz** Noelle Maffin & Steve Smith

Oct 26 **Halloween with Duffy Live**

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Trust met with the Ferry Commissioner about all of our issues and about the impending "consultations" that are supposed to take place regarding service changes. It was quite a shock to hear that he would go ahead and make recommendations to the government by his deadline of Sept. 30th, when he did not have all of the information he needed to make an informed decision with the service issues factored in. He was not happy about that either, but did it anyway, as you may have heard with a 12% increase over the next three years. UBCM has passed a resolution saying that UBCM must "lobby the provincial government to recognize our coastal ferry services as essential extensions of our provincial public highway system...". As a group we agreed, and I delivered the following recommendation to the Commissioner: "It is the

strong recommendation of the Coastal RD Chairs group that the provincial government should immediately stop any ferry fare increases until the promised public consultation process is completed and there is a long term vision for the ferry system". The Islands Trust Chair also delivered the following: (there is) "... growing acknowledgment that the coastal ferries are the marine highway within the larger provincial highway system." Keep in mind that the 12% price cap does not have to be implemented if the government were to step in and follow our recommendations. This group that I am part of represents 70% of the population of BC (yes, you read that right, seventy percent!). So let's see what comes out of this as we approach an election!

Our group also met for an hour and a half before and after the meeting with the commissioner

to discuss our strategy into the future and for our upcoming meeting with the Premier and the Minister of Transport on Wednesday the 26th. More on that to follow. Those meetings took up the entire day.

Tuesday started with our annual session of all of the Electoral Area Directors to talk about shared issues and to hear from government what updates they could give us on many of the issues that have carried on for far too long. This was a good opportunity to discuss issues of mutual concern and ensure that UBCM knows how rural areas feel about them.

I met with the Area Manager of Telus for an update on our promised cell and internet provision and upgrades. We are still in the "build" plan for our upgrades to our cell service which will be 4G - LTE service and should cover most of the Island and some outlying areas. This will provide superior cell service and internet by cell and is now planned to happen in the first part of 2013, rather than the last part of 2012.

We are also in their fiber optic expansion program which should be in place by the end of 2013, but he said he will still need confirmation concerning the timing and will have that in the next couple of months. He still seems very optimistic about the provision of services.

Since I returned home I had to deal with him regarding the poor quality "service" to Granite Bay, which is supplied by 50 year old buried cable that has been cut and repaired more times than anyone can remember. After a few failed attempts by CR technicians to fix it, I had a personal conversation with the Area Manager and he took it very seriously. Hopefully the line will be above ground on the new hydro poles as soon as possible.

Right after meeting with the Area Manager at UBCM I had to run to the Legislature where I was joined by our CAO, Brian Reardon, to meet with Minister Ben Stewart, Responsible for Connectivity, along with his Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister and the Executive Lead of Network BC (Office of the Chief Information Officer). It was an incredible meeting, having all of these people in the same place to give them our pitch for high speed internet and "applying" some pressure on Telus to make this happen sooner rather than later. They were very receptive. So, here's hoping! I will be following up with them soon.

The opening reception took place on Tuesday night and was a fantastic opportunity to meet face to face with numerous Ministers and MLA's (from both Government and the Opposition). In many ways these personal meetings were more valuable than the formal meetings. At any rate, the lobbying was hot and heavy for Area C!

On Wednesday our Coastal Chairs group were scheduled to meet with the Premier and the new Minister of Transportation at 9am in the Legislature. Unfortunately, at the last minute, the Premier cancelled, giving no reason. We were still able to meet with the new Minister, Mary Polak, (mary.polak.mla@leg.bc.ca) (just in case you want to add your voice to the debate over ferries issues). She listened to our points that we had discussed in our strategy meeting on Monday and we delivered the same message: Treat us the same as terrestrial highways; drastically reduce our fares; do not mess with our services!

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Men do it too!!!

The open house was a huge success!!! 16 people signed up with the fastest growing and losing group on Quadra.

Great success stories were shared and we even had before and after pictures to show the transformation of many of our members...many have lost 30-40-50 AND -67.4 pounds!!!

We had one husband and wife team sign up to learn how easy it works!

Men do it too....come on you big boys....your Buddha belly is no longer sexy to rub.... come lose it the easy way. Did you know?...men lose weight faster than woman!

Christmas is coming....stop in to any meeting for free to see how you can drop some of those pounds by Christmas.

QCC Mondays(not holidays) from 6-7pm

Become a "loser" on Quadra.... ya know ya wanna!!!

Halloween Fun Night Needs Volunteers

Hey parents and grandparents: The Halloween Fun Night organizing meeting is Wed Oct 10 at 7:00 at QCC. We need the weird and the wild to run games and create something spooky in room 1. If no one shows, it will be only fireworks on Blenkin Field for Oct 31. Good enough for your kids? Phone 285-3243 for more info.

Approaches to Healing

North Island Survivors' Healing Society - Counselling Centre for Adults Affected by Abuse presents "Approaches to Healing", a 6-session skills-based group for women. Facilitated by a clinical counsellor + guest facilitators teaching healing approaches such as Art, Reiki, Qi Gong, Acupressure, Emotional Freedom Technique, Mindfulness, & more. Mondays, Oct. 15-Nov. 26, 4:30- 6:30, Subsidized Cost-\$95, Registration: 287-3325.

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Zumba with Pam

It's a fun, exhilarating and invigorating workout with zesty Latin music. It's easy to follow and can be modified for everyone. \$5 Tuesdays starting Sept 11 @ QCC. PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME FOR THIS GREAT CLASS...6:20 - 7:20

Mothers & Daughters Yoga

Mothers and Daughters: come to this restorative, nourishing and fun filled yoga weekend and get in touch with your bodies, minds, spirits and each other's!

During the sessions you will learn basic yoga postures, how to calm and relax the nervous system, meditation and breathing techniques and, some partner postures that you can practice together.

Get cozy and prepare for winter by learning the 'art' of making traditional chai, a delicious and comforting Indian spiced tea. Nov. 23 and 24 Friday evening 6-8 pm and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Required: yoga mat and a pillow or cushion. Cost: \$89/ mother-daughter pair. Includes a delicious vegetarian lunch on Saturday and a special gift!

Local Remembrance Day Service

Our annual Remembrance Day Service will be at the Quadra Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion on Sunday November 11th, 2012. Everyone is welcome and families with children are encouraged to attend. Please be seated by 10:45am sharp. The Legion Ladies Auxiliary will host the luncheon following the morning service. The evening festivities begin with membership initiations to be conducted at 4:30pm. The social hour starts at 5:00pm with dinner for members and spouse/guest at 6:00pm. Honours & Awards and live entertainment with the Thieving Brothers will follow dinner. RSVP for dinner to Gillian or Mark Green 285-3739. See you at the Legion!

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What lovely weather.' It is great for working in the yard, or going for a drive.

Ruth Amiabel was a Delegate to the Council of Senior Citizens Conference ("The Joys & Tears of Living longer"), which was held in Richmond B.C. There were 400 delegates representing Seniors from all over. There were many Workshops discussing Income, Pharmacy issues on drugs, Seniors living longer and are "NOT" putting the country into debt, or making it very difficult for the upcoming seniors. Seniors are an asset not a liability.

Other workshops were "Seniors Abuse & Neglect," "Seniors right to Medical Care". The speakers at the Conference, were very educated Doctors ie-- Dr. Victor Marshall (Dept of Sociology, U.N.C. Institute on Aging, University of Calgary, Dr. Martha Donnelly Director of the Division of Community Geriatrics Van Gen. Hosp., Professor Alan Cassels, in Pharmacare, who stated 30 Billion is spent per year on drugs, and grows by 2 Billion per year, and that many Seniors are over drugged.

It has been proven by experts that in Age friendly communities Exercise & Walking, (self paced group walks & stretching exercises, have been found to reduce pain, & increase balance. Proper Diet & Cycling if possible is an absolute asset to keeping fit. The main objective

is to keep Seniors in their own homes, with Homecare & Community care, which has been cut back in recent years, warehousing Seniors is definitely not the answer. Professor, Tine Rostgaard stated that Denmark is the most livable city in the world, for an Aging Society. And most Scandinavian countries look after their Seniors very well. The Conference was very educating. Ruth will provide more info or go to, www.coscobc.ca where you will find the entire events and speakers that were at the three day Conference.

By the time you read this article our Quadra Island Senior General meeting will have been held on Oct. 10th, with a luncheon at Tsa Kwa Luten lodge, & a speaker from the Quadra Island Fire Dept. On Wed. Oct. 17th/12 @ 11:00 am, our North Island Regional meeting will be held in Fanny Bay Community Hall, they will have a Western Theme, & lunch will be \$5.00, contact Chris Dyson @ 2207 if you wish to attend, or Ruth if you need transportation for all our events. On Wed. Oct. 24th/12, we will continue our weekly Armchair aerobics @ 10:00 am, with Ann Lawrence, and our Carpet Bowling @ 11:15 am with Christine Dyson--bring a bag lunch or snacks to have with coffee or Tea.

Memberships are now available for 2013 call Christine Dyson @ 2207

Emergency Radio Project

Amateur (Ham) radio is a new focus of attention for disaster planning agencies. The communications breakdowns during 9/11, Katrina and lesser events have led to an increased interest in ham radio due to its inherent reliability.

Ham operators registered with the Provincial Emergency Program are teaming up with other volunteers in Search & Rescue and Emergency Support Services to ensure emergency communications when normal means are overloaded or knocked out by earthquake, wildfire, flood or man-made disasters.

Amateur radio has kept up with new digital technology with many avenues to explore. Offshore sailors use High Frequency (HF) radio to link to email anywhere in the world. Pairing ham radio with GPS gives real-time position plotting of mobile stations on a computer screen or digital read out; a tool used in the extensive wildfires in the Okanagan.

During a search for a missing motorist in north Vancouver Island it was found that the chain of amateur radio repeaters which runs the length of the island could enable mobile units to communicate in areas which were out of range of cell phones or direct radio links.

The Strathcona Regional District Emergency Program,

in which the Quadra Emergency Program is lively partner is working with local hams to develop an emergency communication network, which it is hoped will eventually reach out to stations in remote communities.

More ham operators are needed, both to operate from their homes and to help staff the Emergency Operation Centre(s). An amateur radio license is good for life but requires training in radio theory and operation since qualified hams have widespread privileges in terms of the power and frequencies they may use. Morse code is no longer required.

A course for the Basic License will start on Quadra Island on Monday Oct. 22 and run for five Monday evenings, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, resuming on Monday January 7 for a further eight weeks. The fee is \$55 for the complete course; including a manual and a subscription to hamtestonline.com for homework.

The course is split into two sessions because there is not enough time in Spring to cover all the material. The session before Christmas will focus on technical theory so that if any cannot attend all the Spring sessions they have the background to study with hamtestonline.com when it is convenient for them.

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Winter Market And Bazaar

Next one - Saturday, October 20th at the Community Centre.

Our first market was fantastic! We had 21 vendors with many new faces.

We had a great selection of framed art perfect for gift giving or one for yourself!

There was some beautiful jewellery and lovely Czech beads, yummy baking and Chocolate!!!

Carla and her Lime Soda Photography was taking great photos at great prices.

Many accessories to spiff you up, too numerous to mention here..

You'll just have to come and check it out for yourself!

The lunch menu for the 20th is:

Salmon cakes with zesty tomato sauce, side of Citrus quinoa salad & oven roasted veggies or Chinese beef & broccoli stir fry over noodles

Soups: Curried pumpkin soup or Vegetarian minestrone.

Desserts: Quinoa chocolate cake topped with dark chocolate ganache or Lemon, lemon, lemon cake Yum!

We hope to have Dave Blinzinger playing for us so drop on by and enjoy.

The market operates on a first come basis. Set up starts at 8 am.

Tables are \$10.00 each. There is room for more too! Think flea market tables.

The Market hours are 10am - 2pm

Bring your friends and family. It is a great place to relax or catch up on the latest. Spend your Saturday surrounded by friends and handmade items. Come on out, much more to see!

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The cost is \$60 for 8 weeks for ages 6 and older. Chess for All Ages will run from 4:00 - 5:00 on Mondays and is for intermediate to advanced players.

There is a limit of 10 participants, so register soon at 285-3243 and become the player you know you really can be. Both children and adults are very welcome!

RCMP Safety Tips Transporting Firewood

Heading out to collect some firewood for the winter this weekend? Fall is always a good time to watch for pickup trucks with pyramids of firewood in the back on our roads. When checked they are often illegal and unsafe, in three ways: unsecured load, overweight and a danger to vehicle occupants if the pickup was involved in a collision.

There is a lot of sweat invested in a pickup load of split firewood. Why would you hazard the loss of some of that hard work by not thoroughly tying or tarping it down? Imagine the consequences if a piece of it fell off the back of truck at 90 km/h. It would strike another vehicle with the force of a small bomb.

When a pickup found filled like this is weighed, it is often overweight on the rear axle. This means that your options are to call someone to bring their pickup and transfer part of the load, or leave some of the load behind on the ground and hope that it would still be there when you returned after emptying what you were allowed to carry home.

How strong do you think that rear glass is in the cab of your pickup? Chances are excellent that in a collision part of that load of firewood is going to come through the back of the cab like the glass wasn't even there. This would definitely not be good news for the back of your head!

Free Money

Free Money comes back in November. Distribution happens in the small Seminar Room, downstairs at the Quadra Community Centre on the first Wednesday of every month. So from 11:30 a.m. to Noon on **Wednesday November 7, December 5 and January 2**, Free Money is available.

Ten dollars for a single person and twenty dollars for a family are placed inside a free book of your choice.

Free Dog and Cat food is also available for your pets.

Generous Quadra Islanders have been supporting this program for many years by donating money to the Free Money Association Account at our local Coastal Credit Union.

Please consider doing so because the program is now threatened by lack of funds due to the current economic recession. It is truly amazing that after four years of big banker caused recession that the Free Money program still exists. It says a lot about our many caring, compassionate donors. Christmas is coming; please give. Any questions, phone Steve Moore at 285-3323.

Seniors Days at the Centre

Every second Friday of the month, Quadra Circle (the sub committee of the Quadra Island Recreation Society devoted to Seniors' issues) will meet and host an international lunch featuring the cuisine of another country. On October 12th it will be a Japanese meal. There will also be an opportunity to discuss issues of importance to Seniors and to the community. We hope to arrange visiting speakers and entertainment and look forward to feed back as to what people want. A monthly "Seniors' Drop in Centre" format has been proposed. Now the Quathiaski Cove Village Plan has been officially accepted maybe it is time to talk about the next step in developing facilities for Seniors.

Please come and give us your ideas or call Mary at 285 3084. If you do not usually come to the lunches but plan to come to the Japanese meal it would be preferable if you let us know ahead so we have an idea of how much food to prepare.

Garden Club Goes Bonsai

The Campbell River Bonsai Club will join Quadra's Garden Club on **Monday October 15th, 7pm at the Community Centre**. Enjoy an evening of discussion and display: detailing how to grow miniature trees and other plants in an artistic way. The Campbell River Club was formed in 2008, with the core group of members practising this art form for several decades. They are knowledgeable, and offer excellent guidance, inspiration, and training techniques. Each year, on the long weekend in July, the Club shows their Bonsai at Sybil Andrews' Cottage.

Bonsai (Bone sigh) translates to a low sided tray or pot holding a planting. The art transforms or mimics the shape and style of mature full sized trees into miniature form. There are, in Japan, Bonsai over 500 years in age. Used as a tool for contemplation, the art of Bonsai has been practised for a thousand years. This presentation will cover, a description of the basic styles, pot choices, soils, sourcing plants, using native species, cultivation, care, training, and the history of Bonsai. The evening will be a meeting of gardening friends from across Discovery Passage.

It is a week after Thanksgiving, a celebration when many of us eat heartily from our gardens, a time for sharing with our family and friends. For the show and tell table bring something from your garden that you would like to share with the Club. It has been a long warm and beautiful autumn with much to celebrate. Global warming or not, we have all enjoyed the extended season of fine weather. Now we expect the rainy season to refresh vegetation and replenish our wells. Annual membership is \$10, \$15 for family. Drop Ins \$2.

Sierra Quadra Launches New Season

- 'Surviving Progress'

Sierra Quadra begins another year of bringing leading edge films, speakers, and events to our island. Join us on October 20 at the Community Centre at 7:30pm for the film premiere of **Surviving Progress**.

Surviving Progress presents the story of human advancement as awe-inspiring and double-edged. It reveals the grave risk of running the 21st century's software — how we do what we do — on the ancient hardware of a primate brain that hasn't seen an upgrade in 50,000 years. Rich in sound and imagery, this offering from Mathieu Roy and Harold Crooks shows us the journey of our evolution from cave-dwellers to space explorers.

Based on Richard Wright's bestseller 'A Short History of Progress', the film reveals how civilizations are routinely destroyed by a series of 'progress traps' — seductive technologies that serve immediate needs but seem to ransom the future while doing so.

Surviving Progress brings us thinkers from all sides of the debate. Some reiterate Richard's Wright's urgent warning; others claim that the logical outcome of progress is that it will once again save our species. From cosmologist Stephen Hawking to genome biologist Craig Venter to primatologist Jane Goodall and author Margaret Atwood, the film presents multiple viewing points as our collective future rushes to meet us.

Ultimately **Surviving Progress** begs the question: was making the apes smarter a great idea or an evolutionary dead-end? Come to Sierra Quadra's first film event of the year and decide for yourself!

Admission is by donation, and the usual sumptuous food and drink will be available. Doors open at 7 and the film starts at 7:30.

Friday Flicks Tonight - Oct. 12

Le Havre (Finland 2011)

QCC Door 7:30 - Showtime 7:45

Adm: \$5 stu/snr \$4

No other contemporary filmmaker manages to blend deadpan, ironic humour with social commentary in quite the same manner as Finnish master Aki Kaurismäki.

In *Le Havre*, the moody, retro ambiance of the film's titular Norman port city enhances a tidy plot that blends film noir elements with gentle humanism. Atmospheric, quiet and completely assured, Kaurismäki employs these diverse elements to tell a highly contemporary story about illegal refugees, a subject of profound relevance in today's Europe.

The film circles around Marcel Marx, a warm, aging bohemian artist who has retreated to the French port city of Le Havre and taken up work as a shoeshine man. His profession has a limited future, as everyone seems to be wearing running shoes. He is married to a woman with a heart of gold and, despite their poverty and limited means, he finds joy in their local neighbours, all of whom seem as if they have been transported from a 1930s movie.

One day Marcel befriends Idrissa, a young African immigrant hoping to make his way to England in a shipping container with other illegals. Marcel is determined to extend a helping hand to the wide-eyed boy, but the law, in the form of Inspector Monet, is equally determined to stand in his way. An intricate dance of hide-and-seek ensues, Marcel using all his ingenuity to hide Idrissa while the nefarious Monet dogs their trail.

"A note-perfect neo-realist, comic fairy tale" — Liam Lacey *The Globe and Mail*

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Return to Wasilika

The nearly identical twins are back.

Come help Quadra author Michael Redican, celebrate the launch of his new children's fantasy novel, Return to Wasilika, on Saturday, October 13 from 3:00-4:00 at the Quadra Community Centre.

Like the much loved Wasilika, Return to Wasilika features characters that are partially based on various Quadra kids. The cast not only includes the dragons, tyrants, giants and fairies from the first book but also an off-key wandering minstrel, a determined mouse and a swashbuckling raccoon. It is these three who team up with the finders on what should be a straightforward quest to rescue Queen Jaweesh from the ogres, but Wasilika has changed drastically. Novenka and Fontana are faced with a host of questions that must be answered before they can save Wasilika. Why are Wasilikans so miserable? What's happened to the True Companions? Is the queen as nasty as everyone says? And where the heck are the ogres?

Intrigued? Come to the book launch.

There will be readings (and singings) of short excerpts from the book. There will be draws for free books. The order of the riddle will be revealed. Feast on free nibbles and drinks. Pick up copies of the novel, signed not only by the author, but many of the characters as well.

And remember, if you come in costume you will receive a special Wasilikan cookie baked by the author.

Rod Clark Memorial Golf Tournament Thanks

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Quadra Drummers

The hand-drum jam sessions are still happening at the Upper Realm at Q. Cove at 7:45 p.m. every Wednesday Night. Ignore the "closed" sign downstairs. We are closed for business, but not for the jam.

Beginners are welcome. We have extra drums if you don't have a drum.

We totally relax into a drum jam meditation and receive what's called a refreshing "Drummer's High."

We performed five times this Summer and Fall: Twice at Saturday's markets, at Cortes Music Fest, at Quadrapalooza and at the Fall Fair. But now that the performance season is over, we can just have fun, learn some new beats and invite some new people, like you, the reader to join in. See you Wednesday night, 7:45 pm at the Upper Realm, Q. Cove. There is a five dollar drop-in fee but first time attenders are free.

For more info call Steve Moore at 285-3323

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New Season of Cultural Events Kicks off with Fung-Chiu Duo

Ah, the end of summer and we have to come indoors again, but it won't be difficult with some great entertainment coming your way from the 2012/13 season of Quadra's Cultural Committee. The first concert will see vibrant youth and exceptional musicality in the form of piano four-hands with the talented Fung-Chiu Duo. These two soloists, Janelle Fung and Philip Chiu, have become one of Canada's premiere piano duos to challenge the traditional boundaries of their genre. Hear their lively performance on **Sunday, October 14th at 2:30 PM at the Quadra Community Centre.**



Formed in 2007, under the auspices of Jeunesses Musicales Canada, the Fung-Chiu Duo has toured the country to many Canadian cities and given gala performances at such venues as the Casino de Montréal and the Orford Arts Centre. "They fairly romped through the program, showing considerable flair for the virtuosic side of piano playing...Many moments in their playing, especially in the Debussy and the Ravel, showed the poetic side of their musicality." Stephen Pedersen of the Chronicle Herald.

Janelle Fung began her piano studies at the age of four in Vancouver. She received degrees from the Eastman School of Music and The Julliard School of New York and her doctorate from Université de Montréal. At age 14, Ms Fung made her professional debut with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and has concertized throughout

Canada, the US, Europe, South Korea, Japan and Argentina.

Philip Chiu was born in Hong Kong and raised in Canada. He received his Piano Performance Diploma from The Glenn Gould School in Montréal. Winning The Glenn Gould School Concert Competition, Philip went on to solo throughout Canada, playing his orchestral debut in 2005 with Maestra Tania Miller of the Victoria Symphony. One of Canada's most sought-after collaborative pianists, he has performed with such artists as Stefan Dohr, principal horn of the Berlin Philharmonic, Larry Combs and Craig Morris (clarinet and trumpet) of the Chicago Symphony.

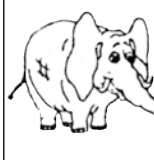
The Fung-Chiu Duo has committed themselves to expanding the repertoire for piano four-hands by writing original transcriptions of such pieces as Stravinsky's Firebird, Bernstein's Westside Story, and Berlioz' Symphonie Fantastique.

According to the extremely communicative Chiu, "Working together on four-hand piano is the most fun, almost a stress relief from solo piano work." "Honestly," adds Fung, "it's pure joy!" For the listener, the results are stunning! "Indeed, Chiu and Fung perform a magnificent arrangement {of the Firebird} that is so significant that I believe it could go down in history." Roger E. Cormier of L'Acadie Nouvelle.

Hear the Fung-Chiu Duo on Sunday, October 14th at 2:30 PM at Quadra Community Centre. Advance tickets are \$17 available at the Music Plant in Campbell River and on Quadra at Hummingbird Office and Art Supply in the Cove and at Works of H'Art in Heriot Bay. Tickets at the door are \$20. Students accompanied by an adult are admitted free. For more information, please call 250-285-2580 or visit www.fungchiuduo.com

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Yoga Class

Come join the new yoga class at Spirit Books in the Upper Realm in Q. Cove on Mondays from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Spiritual exercise is good for the body & soul. Trinity, who led the yoga class at Quadrapalooza, is the teacher. A donation of 5 to 10 dollars is much appreciated, depending on what you can afford. For more information, call Trinity at 250-203-4529.

Acting Class

The Quadra Island Actor's Studio is offering an Acting Course for beginning theatre performers or anyone interested the art of Acting.

The course includes actor's workouts, exercises, role-playing and just plain fun. If you have a role in an up-and-coming Quadra play, like "Sleeping Beauty," this could be a course that might be helpful.

The course is taught by Neil Maffin, a professional actor, who has performed from Broadway in New York City to soap operas, to Vancouver's Bard-on-the-Beach Shakespeare Festival

The course starts on Thursday, October 18 in Spirit Books at the Upper Realm in Q. Cove at 7:30 p.m. Anyone 16 or over is welcome to attend. Exceptions can be made for highly motivated younger actors.

There is a drop-in fee of \$10 per session, but Neil is hopeful that the group will form a core of regular attenders. And, if the group works well together, maybe a public performance in the Spring of 2013. For more information, call Neil at 1-778-714-7887.



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Artisans Sought for CR Christmas Market

- Apply By Oct. 13

It's autumn at the Campbell River Art Gallery and that means it's time to start thinking about the annual Christmas Market.

The CR Art Gallery is seeking artisans who would like to display their work in the **annual Christmas Market, taking place this year from Nov. 8 to Dec. 24.** For six weeks, the Gallery's entire exhibition space is transformed into a gorgeous, glittering Christmas shopping extravaganza, featuring unique handmade crafts and art created by local artisans. Everything from pottery to textiles to woodwork, soap and fine jewellery is featured. The pieces sell on a consignment basis and the Christmas Market, sponsored by Chan, Nowosad Boates, Chartered Accountants, is a major fundraiser for Gallery exhibitions and programs.

All displays, inventory control, sales and promotion are taken care of by Gallery staff and volunteers in order to provide an uncomplicated, easy opportunity for artisans to sell their work. Artist demonstrations, which are an excellent way to promote an artisan's work, are also scheduled for those who would like to demonstrate their craft.

Entry into the Market is juried and entry forms are available at the Gallery, which is open Tuesday to Saturday from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. **The deadline for submission is Oct. 13.** Phone 250-287-2261, email admin@crartgallery.ca or visit www.crartgallery.ca for more information.

Wake Up!

How we respond to life's challenges can make the difference between enthusiastic anticipation or dread and anxiety.

"Awareness" by author Anthony de Mello, entreats us to wake up to the realities of life, and clearly explains how we, so often, set ourselves up for disappointment instead of peace, contentment and growth.

Although seemingly simplistic and sometimes repetitive, you can't hear this kind of wisdom too often.

Join us over a cup of tea to read, discuss and benefit from this book. Monday evenings starting 15th October 7:30 - 9 pm at Spirit Books, Upper Realm Q-Cove.

Due to limited space please reserve by leaving a message at 250-285-2958. Admission by donation.

Guitar and Singing Jam

Bring any string and/or acoustic instrument to this every Friday night jam. Sometimes, we sing and all you need is to bring your voice.

Sometimes a mellow piano (Dave) or a bass guitar (Maureen) or a drummer comes (Ken or Daniel).

Folk tunes, Rock tunes, self-written tunes (Elsa or Tim or Pat) are all in the mix.

Unexpected things can happen when you met new musical friends. For instance, a new band can come together like "Flies in the Kitchen" that performed at the "Fall Fair." Or just come and relax and have fun.

Things start around 8 p.m. at Spirit Books in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove every Friday Night. The suggested drop-in fee is only \$5. First timers are free. Call Pat at 285-2807 for more information.



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New ferry fare hikes: Beyond the tipping point

Representatives of coastal ferry users say new ferry fare hikes announced Monday raise questions about the effectiveness of government response to the ferry affordability gap.

The Ferry Advisory Committee Chairs (FACC) are concerned that fare hikes are double the inflation rate. "Fares will continue to grow much faster than people's incomes unless government faces the causes of the affordability crisis," says Tony Law of Hornby-Denman FAC.

In January, a BC Ferry Commission study found that ferry fares were then at the tipping point of affordability, and causing hardship in coastal communities. Since then:

- Current fares are at the tipping point + 4.15 percent;
- Next year those fares will have another 4.1 percent increase;
- The following two years will see two more increases, 4.0 and 3.9 percent;
- Existing fuel surcharges continue on top of that, and will change with future fuel prices.

The ferry commission calculates fare increases based on numbers from BC Ferries and government. Key numbers come from government's response to the commission affordability report:

- \$33 million in new government contribution to BC Ferries over the next three years;
- \$74 million in cuts over the next three years - \$30 million in service cuts, \$15 million in new BC Ferries efficiencies, and \$29 million remaining of previously agreed-upon efficiencies of \$9.8 million per year.

The new money aims to help BC Ferries maintain a good bond rating and reduce upward pressure on fares. Without it, fare hikes would have been a few percentage points higher.

The effect of the cuts on future fares and traffic is harder to assess. The FACC are concerned that service cuts - unless they're done very carefully and with ideas

from communities - could aggravate the downward spiral in traffic and upward spiral in fares.

"Both spirals are the kiss of death to dozens of coastal communities," says Brian Hollingshead of Southern Gulf Islands FAC. "More than anything, we need a public policy approach that aims to sustain our communities, stem the damage from high fares, and grow our potential."

The heart of such policy is sound public infrastructure, recognizing that ferry service is part of BC's core infrastructure. The FACC believes this requires government to bear a greater share of the escalating costs that are causing escalating fares:

- fuel prices;
- revenue shortfalls from falling traffic;
- overdue and urgent need to replace very old ships and docks.

Public infrastructure costs money, and ferries are public infrastructure. They're public access to the whole coast, serving dozens of communities, hundreds of kilometres of coastline, close to 9 million vehicles and more than 20 million passengers a year, from all over BC and beyond.

Consider all that, and compare it to the costs of other public projects, which increasingly approach or exceed billions of dollars. It quickly becomes clear that ferry service, as essential public infrastructure, is a bargain at the current cost, around \$150 million a year.

And it's still a bargain if government shoulders more of the costs to make it affordable.

BC Ferry Commission ruling: <http://www.bcferrycommission.com/reports-press/whats-new/final-price-cap-decision-released/>

Quadra is Paradise

Here's another ten reasons why Quadra Island is Paradise:

31. Art of Perrin Sparks
32. Music at the Saturday Market
33. Nugedzi Lake
34. Food Bank
35. Mountain Bike Trails
36. Flowers in the Community Garden
37. Tsa Kua Lutten Lodge & Trails
38. Granite Bay
39. Seymour Narrows (Maude Island)
40. Quadra Cat Rescue

Next Issue of the D.I. will bring it up to 50 reasons why Quadra is a paradise island. Any more reasons, phone Steve at 285-3323

Find Out More About KidStart Mentoring!

Come and meet Quadra representatives of the KidStart Vounteer Mentoring Program at the **Winter Market and Bazaar on Saturday, October 20 from 10 am - 2 pm at the Quadra Community Centre.**

Thinking about becoming a volunteer mentor for a child in the community? Find out what it's all about from a Quadra mentor. Know a child or youth between the ages of 6-18 who might benefit from KidStart? Ask questions to learn more about the positive impacts of mentoring.

Want to support the program but don't have time to volunteer? Make a donation to KidStart!

Need more information? Contact Tara Jordan, Campbell River and Quadra KidStart Coordinator: 250-286-0611 ext. 113 or tara@jhsni.bc.ca Visit The John Howard Society of North Island's website www.jhsni.bc.ca and click on the KidStart Champion link (top right).

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The Spoken Word

Do you know where your pumpkin is? The RCMP are bringing in officers from as far away as Cortes and Read Islands to handle the traffic as the mass migration of pumpkins from their patches to the Quadra Community Centre begins. There's nothing a pumpkin enjoys more than a good spooky story or song and both will be in abundance at the Community Centre as some of Quadra's favourite bands and writers celebrate Halloween on October the 19th, at 7 pm.

As an example, and I stress example because the people that wrote these are all dead now, I give you three famous pieces of writing that were first heard at their respective Spoken Word venues. This is why you need to be at the Spoken Word....just so you can say, "Yeah, I was there when..."

This is an ode Keats wrote when his son and his girl friend started carving a pumpkin:

Season of mists and mellow
orangenness!

Fat bottomed friend of my
maturing son;

Conspiring with him how to
carve and bless

With fruit the vines that round
the thatch-eaves run.

This is what Dickens wrote
when he mixed up marijuana
for this usual spice in is his
Halloween party feast:

It was the best of thyme, it was
the worst of thyme, we had
everything before us, we had
nothing before us, we were
all going direct to Heaven, we
were all going direct the other
way--

A song Kurt Cobain wrote
about a girl at his first
Halloween party:

Load up on buns, bring your
friends

It's fun to shmooze and to
pretend

She's underwhelmed and self-
absorbed

Oh, no, I know a spooky word

Hello, Hello, Hello, How Low

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October 31; Heriot Bay Inn ghost stories with local historian Jeanette Taylor. 7:00pm. HBI. Pub education from your neighbours, Oh ya!

Open Mic with Mo, it's an institution and a darn good time. Local and visiting musicians gather to strut their stuff, try out new material and make a fun filled night of it. Join in on the stage or in the audience. A night not to be missed at the good old Heriot Bay Inn!

Dinner Jazz at the Heriot Bay Inn with our very own Noelle Maffin and the extraordinary pianist Steve Smith. 6:00 to 8:00pm in Herons. Reservations highly recommended. 285-3322.

Thanks everyone for a very successful 2012 Mushroom Festival. The Heriot Bay Inn is proud to take part in this wonderful community event.

Hérons Dining Room will be closed at noon for a private function Saturday October 20. The pub will be open from noon until 9:00 for delicious meals and then on into the evening with open mic and Mo!

Free Chimney Sweep Report

The Free Chimney Sweep season is over. Thanks to the help of Gabe Aston, we were able to help everyone who called and asked for a free chimney sweep. From Harper Rd. to Gowland Harbour Rd, to Topcliffe Rd. to West Rd. to Thompson Rd. and beyond, the work was completed. As a result, hopefully, there will be no serious chimney fires this Winter on Quadra. Gabe Aston is still taking paying customers at 204-5228 if you put the fire out long before he arrives. Free Chimney sweeps will return in August & September, 2013.

A Gift For The Salmon Runs

Quadra Island Salmon Enhancement Society asks for help. Counters are needed throughout Quadra's November and December salmon runs. Volunteers this past year have spent hours, days, weeks, planning and building streams. The hope is to increase fish runs through the following: Hyacinthe Creek, Granite Creek, Drew Creek, Village Bay, Open Bay, and Saxon Creek.

Any time you can offer to count becomes a gift. Flexible and fixed times to volunteer are available. As well, you will be along-side happy, supportive and knowledgeable people.

Please call Vicki for more information: 285-2246. Thank you.

Buddhist Meditation

Buddhist Meditation happens every Sunday Morning at 10 a.m. in Spirit Books in the Upper Realm at Q. Cove. We meditate in silence for forty minutes, have tea, fruit and cookies and sit down to discuss a text called "Buddhism Without Beliefs." We finish by Noon. Some of us are Buddhists, some are not, but we all benefit from the silence and the sharing of spiritual wisdom in free and open democratic discussion. Come check us out. It's free or by donation. Call Steve or Danielle for more information at 285-3323.

Curator Talk with Jennifer Kramer

Join the Museum on Saturday, October 20, from 1pm to 2:30 pm, for an insightful talk on the exhibition 'Kesu': The Art and Life of Doug Cranmer" opening at the Museum on October 19. The talk, entitled 'Reflections on Exhibiting Kesu', will be given by the curator of the exhibition Jennifer Kramer and will address aspects of Cranmer's life and artwork. This will be an excellent opportunity to dig more deeply into the iconography of Cranmer's work and explore the underlying motifs contained within the art. Dr. Jennifer Kramer holds a joint position at the University of British Columbia as curator of the Pacific Northwest and associate professor in the department of Anthropology. In conjunction with this exhibition she published Kesu': The Art and Life of Doug Cranmer with Douglas & McIntyre Press (2012). She has worked with the Nuxalk Nation of Bella Coola, B.C. since 1994 and the Kwakwaka'wakw since 2004, collaborating on the care and curation of their cultural heritage in the collections at the Museum of Anthropology at UBC. The cost for the talk is \$6.00. Please call the Museum at 287-3103 to reserve a seat.

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Fair-Well 'til Next Year!!

Quadra's Fall Fair blew people away! Thanks to a field full of good-sports, Quadra's 2012 Fall Fair rocked the grounds of the Community Centre despite tumultuous gusts and threatening skies. Thank you to all who came to enjoy the fun and stayed to help make the fun.

The mission of the Fall Fair is to bring our community together in the spirit of rural fair tradition; where our combined efforts and talents might inform, entertain, delight, encourage and inspire. Fall Fair 2012: mission accomplished! We envision the Fall Fair offering the opportunity to all whose passions shine to lead an event or showcase their interest. It was great to see Horses happening at the Fair this year, as well as the Doggie Dash. (Thanks to pet owners for their considerate pet etiquette).

The Fall Fair is truly the work of hundreds: from individuals putting in a shift or two on fair day to the people who spent months organizing. It includes volunteers who knew they would be away on fair day but asked for a job to do before they left; businesses who sponsored events and loaned equipment and man-power; funding bodies (Regional District & Quadra Community Credit Union); talented performers shining; animal owners who spent time training, preparing and transporting their animals, the many who took on an area and did such a wonderful job for us all to enjoy; and the spontaneous volunteers who spotted a busy area and stepped in to help out. Quadra is an amazing community.

The term "many hands make light work" should, in this case, be "many hands make a Fair happen". There were 75 people involved in the entertainment (behind the scenes and performing). Approximately 30 people made sure we had animals, feed and fencing in the livestock tent and the petting



farm. About 36 people were involved in the Demonstration areas. The Registration, Admissions and Info Booth teams had 40 people volunteering. Twenty people worked cooking and serving food in the FF Barbeque and Tea Nook areas. The games and pet events had 32 volunteers. There were 110 people involved in the Main Exhibit Hall including set-up, displaying, judging, tallying, ribboning and take-down. The Make-it-Take-it Tent and Facepainting had 24 volunteers. About 50 people set up, decorated and took down the fairgrounds. As well, there were volunteers who took on gaming licenses, fundraising, bookkeeping, writing press releases, co-ordinating volunteers, updating Facebook, designing the grounds, preparing signs, baking cakes, building a new Zucchini Grand Prix track, designing the artwork and t-shirts, stuffing candy bags, manning the Fall Fair table at the Saturday Market and a multitude of other jobs both large and small.

A huge and heartfelt Thank You to each and every participant in this years' Fall Fair. Without our vibrant, engaged community it would not happen.

Sincerely,

Sioux Hartle, Leslie Smith
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More Island Forum

Dear Editor,

I've heard rumours that there was controversy this year at the Farmers' Market.

From off-island vendors to great disrespect for basic market regulations. [sic]

No vendors should be setting up before 8:00 in the morning yet every Saturday when I run to the ferry at 7:45 there are already at least 3 or 4 tables set up.

One morning all the traffic lanes were filled with vendors causing a traffic jam and I missed my ferry.

Not only was there not an apology from them, but there has not been any explanation.

Life does go on and on, but where is the community spirit and what does that even mean?

Hedda Hopper's Ghost

Wow- what a pleasure it was to partake in Quadrapalooza this the first year.

Every summer brings an influx of fresh, young energy. How magical is it that they chose to share it with all of us.

I've been waiting for this for over thirty years.

Thank you and see you all next year.

Louise Lavalée

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Treasure Hunt at Rebecca Spit

An Easter-like treasure hunt exists at Quadra Island's Rebecca Spit. Loonies & Toonies are hidden in holes in trees. The trees may be upright or laying on the ground. Go to the last big parking lot and take the path to your left of right. (Although at last count, there was more money on the left). Then walk around the spit hunting for treasures in the holes of trees. (Note: the holes in the trees usually face the path) This treasure hunt is for children 14 years of age or younger. Therefore, no treasure is more than five feet from the ground. Of course, it is perfectly fine to accompany a younger child on the treasure hunt with the clear understanding that the child retains control of the money and may or may not, share it with you. This treasure hunt is designed to focus more attention on the natural world and to encourage children to spend more time with their families walking in nature. Less screen time, more Green time, more face to face time with family & friends & trees. A final word for adults: It's safer in the present economic climate to invest in holes in trees and our children than in the stock market. Please feel free to put your money in trees. It's fun!

Great BC Shakeout

The countdown is on
for 2012!
October 18th

At 10:18 a.m. British Columbians will do the "drop, cover, and hold on" drill. The Great British Columbia ShakeOut, now an annual earthquake drill event in all of BC and many parts of the world such as New Zealand, Alaska, California and Puerto Rico. The Province's first drill in 2010 had more than 470,000 BC participants and raised earthquake and emergency preparedness awareness throughout British Columbia. In 2011 BC reached 530,000 and Strathcona region obtained over 10,000 participants. Let's reach 12,000!

Throughout the regional district including within the City of Campbell River, emergency support services volunteers have been busy organizing events to support the Shakeout goals of encouraging personal and business preparedness. Check in with your local emergency services to see what they have planned.

To register or find out more information, head to the BC ShakeOut web site at: www.shakeoutbc.ca or check out the Strathcona Regional District website under Protective Services or by calling 250-830-6700

NOTICE TO REMOVE PRIVATE LAND FROM WOODLOT LICENCE W0025

Please be advised that Alex Hartford is proposing to remove 65 hectares of private land from Woodlot Licence W0025 located in the vicinity of Mine Lake on Quadra Island.

Inquiries or comments must be submitted to PO Box 411, Heriot Bay, BC, V0P 1H0 or email to jmarlow@gicable.com by **November 13, 2012**. All inquiries both written and verbal will be responded to.

Information about this proposal can be obtained by contacting Alex Hartford at 250 285-3148 or John Marlow at 250 285-2544.

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Regional Director's Report

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We gave it our best shot and emphasized how important this essential service is to the existence of our coastal communities and how everyone will be watching in the upcoming months. (without mentioning the word "election").

That evening another opportunity was offered to mingle with Ministers, MLA's and senior officials along with all of our local government colleagues. I cannot stress enough how valuable these networking events can be. Issues are discussed, business cards are exchanged and contacts are made. Follow up then becomes so much easier and calls and emails are replied to faster.

On Thursday, in addition to all of the sessions and meetings, I had the pleasure of having coffee with Mary Griffin of CHEK - TV, whom I have dealt with for many, many years but have never met. We were able to discuss many of our issues and as a result I had a TV interview regarding ferry fare increases on Monday, right after I got home. Then they wanted me to do another interview on Federal cuts to DFO. So, that was a valuable cup of coffee!

On Friday, I met with Minister Pat Bell (Jobs, Tourism and Innovation), informally, and he was able to share some information about the conflict that has been going on with some of our larger kayak tourism outfits and Timber-West over logging in their immediate view shed. I had previously met with him in CR on this and other issues and convinced him to come to Quadra at a later date to discuss it further with the operators and myself. He did come to Quadra and made some commitments at that meeting and my meeting

in Victoria was to inform me that he had followed up on both of his commitments and was sending written confirmation to the operators. So hopefully what he puts in writing will be satisfactory to resolve the dispute for our eco-tourism industry.

Also on Friday I met with Leader of the Opposition, Adrian Dix, and most of the NDP caucus at a 6:45 am to 8 am breakfast meeting. I had the opportunity to reinforce our pitch about ferries: put them into highways; reduce the fares; leave the service alone. Our MLA, Claire Trevena, was there and is also very supportive of this position and will make sure that her caucus is well aware of that support.

Later that morning, I met with Minister Margaret MacDiarmid, Minister of Health, to discuss issues of concern to us as islanders: seniors care, keeping our seniors on the island in their later years, etc. It was a very good meeting and she is a very personable woman to deal with. I have met with her before so we have a very good relationship. Now we will see if she can find funding to help us out when we get going on our Q. Cove plan with regard to seniors care. More to follow.

Well, that is about it for now. If you need to contact me, feel free to call me between the hours of 8:30 am and 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday (please, not on weekends, folks!) at 285-3355, or you can fax me at 285-3533 or you can email me anytime at jimabram@xplornet.ca or by mail at Box 278 in the Cove, V0P 1N0... Lots of choices.

Please do not use my residential phone number for SRD calls. All business calls should be on 285-3355. Many thanks!


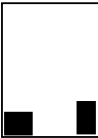


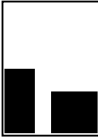

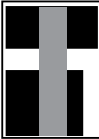




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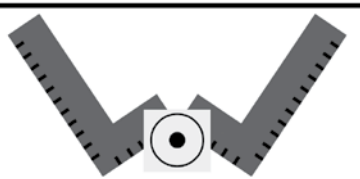
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