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Canadian Navy training tenders HMCS Moose & HMCS Cougar tying up at the Heriot Bay dock this past week.

Save the Heart of Quadra Parks A Reprieve

**All is not lost. Thankfully there is cause
for at least a small celebration.**

Just before 3 pm on August first, the Province was able to make a new offer to purchase the land that lies between Small Inlet and Octopus Islands Marine Parks. This was a deadline set by Merrill and Ring, after which they would look at any offers made by other parties while the property has been on the market.

Thanks to the determination and perseverance of the staff at BC Parks Acquisition Branch, a new partner has been found to join with us in this complex multi-party deal. They have been as committed as we have been to making the park acquisition happen.

Claire Trevena, Sarah Cox of Sierra BC and George Clark of BC Marine Parks

Forever Society all had meetings with Minister Mary Polak during July and Jim Abram had conversations with Deputy Ministers. Then, on July 29, Stephen Hume published a terrific article in the Vancouver Sun (<http://www.vancouversun.com/touch/story.html?id=8723348>) which ignited a lot of other press interest. Our park had three days of coverage on All Points West, 2 articles in the Times Colonist and a radio interview on Victoria CFAX.

<http://www.timescolonist.com/province-has-until-thursday-to-buy-quadra-island-park-land-with-community-raised-funds-1.565557>

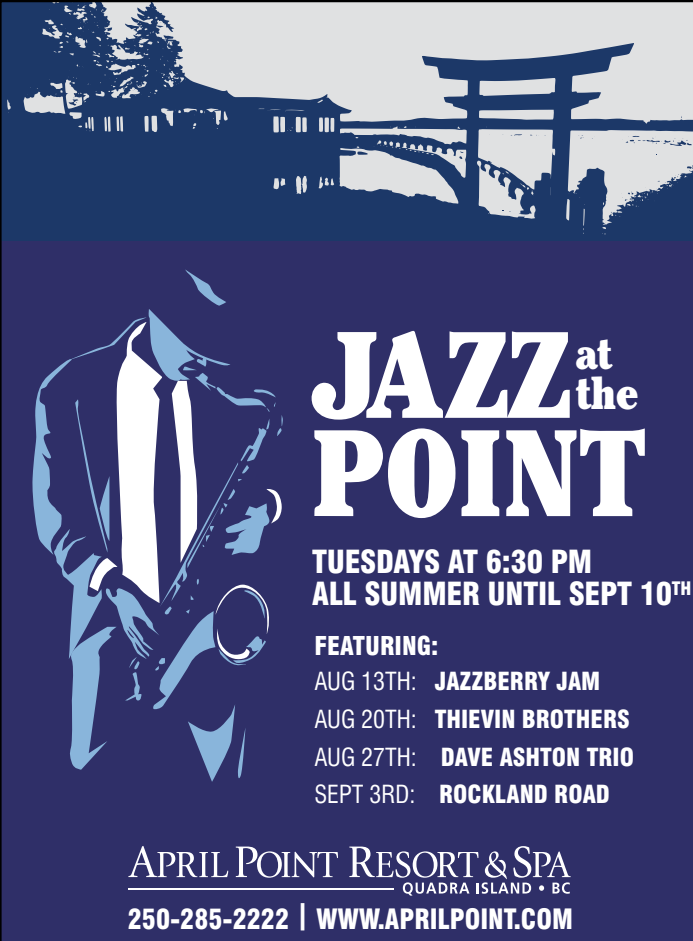
<http://www.timescolonist.com/b-c-government-makes-last-minute-bid-for-provincial-park-on-quadra-island-1.567923>

It's clear that all the political pressure that was brought to bear on the government through the letters written and the last few days of media coverage played a big part in expediting the last minute offer. Thanks goes to all who wrote letters or added their names and comments to the Sierra BC website action and to all of those who contacted the government in other ways. At last count the letters totaled close to 600.

The new offer from the Province will go forward with any other offers Merrill and Ring have received and will be considered by their board over the next few weeks to a month. It's likely there will be further negotiations. We are left waiting again with baited breath and crossed fingers and the hope that Judy Leicester's legacy will become a reality.

Susan Westren

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- Parent & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm
- Weight Watchers, QCC, 6 pm - 7 pm
- 1st Monday - Quadra writers group, 7 - 9 pm 285-3656

TUESDAY

- Al-Anon Meeting, Quadra Children's Centre, 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

- Parent and Babies 11 am QCC
- UofQ - HiYa education from your neighbours. HBI pub 7:00 pm
- Regular texas hold'em poker night 7:30pm at the Legion
- Hand-drum Circle, Upper Realm, 7:45 - 9:15 pm
- 1st & 3rd Wednesday Food Bank, QCC 1 - 2 pm

THURSDAY

- Parents & Tots, QCC, 10:00 am - 12 pm
- Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7 pm

FRIDAY

- Unplugged Guitar/Singing Jam 7:45 pm Upper Realm
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 pm Quadra United Church
- Live bands in the HBI Pub 9:00 pm

SATURDAY

- Farmers Market & Bazaar 10 am to 2 pm by Credit Union
- 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
- Quadra Sunday Painters, 11 am - 2 pm, 285-3390
- Buddhist meditation, Upper Realm, 10 am.

DAY TO DAY

Friday, August 9

- Live music with Iron Pyrites - HBI Pub music at 9 pm no cover

Saturday, August 10

- Susy Stevenson's 60th - dance with Duffy Live Quadra Legion 8 pm

Friday, August 16

- Quadra Doubles Tennis Tournament - info 250-285-2580 or 3678

Saturday, August 17

- BBQ Fundraiser, Nuyumbalees Cultural Centre, 4pm \$25 - 250-285-3733

Sunday, August 18

- Hike to Mt. Seymour; qioutdoorclub.org
- Grand Opening Quadra Ambulance Station 840 Heriot Bay Rd 2-4 pm
- Town Hall re: Heriot Ridge Public Service Tower application Q.C.C. 7pm

Monday - Tuesday, August 19 & 20

- Auditions for 'GREASE' Quadra Legion 6 pm

Wednesday, August 21

- Paddling Mine/Main Lakes; qioutdoorclub.org

Friday-Monday, August 24-26

- Backpacking to Landslide Lake; qioutdoorclub.org

Saturday, August 24

- Live music with Ten Times Bigger party band, Quadra Legion 9 pm \$10

Monday, August 26

- Next Deadline for the Discovery Islander

NEXT DEADLINE: MONDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 2013

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ISLAND FORUM



Home Calls Doctor to Quadra

Dear Quadra Islanders:

Over the past eleven years since I've been coming to Quadra Island I've met many of you as neighbors, community members and in my role as a locum physician at the Quadra Island Medical Clinic. Now I am planning to begin a fulltime medical practice on Quadra. This is to introduce myself to those of you whom I haven't yet met.

I was born and raised on Long Island, New York, but did my Family Medicine training in northern California and practiced there from 1989 until recently. I first came to Quadra from California in August 2002 on a family sea kayaking vacation with my partner, Rachel Tolmachoff, and our two sons.

Rachel and I were awestruck by the beauty of this place and quite taken by the friendliness of all the people we met here. On that trip, I learned that the doctors then on Quadra, Dr. Francis and Dr. Burns, were leaving practice and there would be a need for new GP's to practice here.

Amazingly, my path toward practicing on Quadra began to take shape. Rachel, a dual U.S.-Canadian citizen who was raised in the U.S., had always dreamed of living in Canada. When our vacation came to an end we were sad to leave and had thoughts of maybe, someday, retiring here. But, on the ferry to Campbell River, I noticed a poster for a beautiful home for sale on Heriot Bay Road. I mentioned it to

Rachel, who was intrigued and immediately called the number on the poster. Once we had arrived in Victoria on our way home, she received a call from the sellers and decided to drive back to look at the property. By an incredible stroke of luck, she happened to meet Dr. Erika Kellerhals on the ferry to Quadra.

That very morning, Dr. Kellerhals had made a decision to open a practice on Quadra and was hoping to find a partner to practice with here. Rachel immediately offered me up as, at least, a temporary practice helper! It is still amazing to recall the surprising synchronicity of all those events. The short story is that we bought the house and I began regular, summer, working-vacations on Quadra.

Since 2003 I have done locums for Dr. Kellerhals and, later, for both Dr. Kellerhals and Dr. Graham when he joined her practice. I have deeply enjoyed working at Quadra Island Medical Clinic (QIMC). I've found both doctors skilled clinicians, the clinic staff warm and caring people, and the patients interesting folks who were very open to having me serve their medical needs.

The work environment for doctors in the U.S. is stressful. We struggle with the fact that many people are uninsured and, for those that are insured, there are many insurance companies who impose regulations on the care doctors can provide. It is costly to bill insurers to be paid for the work we do. We end up serving many people in emergency departments when

the primary care that would have prevented an emergency has been withheld from the patient due to cost. I have always been delighted that we can serve almost all comers at QIMC. Canadians had the wisdom years ago to develop a single payer, universal health care system that we still haven't matched in the U.S. The MSP system here is not at all perfect, but it works pretty well for almost everyone and that is an incredible gift you all give each other as Canadians.

So, when Dr. Kellerhals asked me a year ago if I might want to move to Quadra and take over the clinic here, I was very tempted. At that time, unfortunately, I was unable to make a full time move here. My younger son, at age 18, was not quite ready to be fully independent and I was committed to a practice in California. I thought long and hard about my decision, but had to tell Dr. Kellerhals that it just wasn't going to work for me last year.

But, thoughts of Quadra lingered. Over the next several months, it became clear that my practice in the California Bay Area was unsustainable. I was working 14 hour days and had no time to practice the healthy lifestyle of regular exercise, meditation and mindfulness I was preaching to my patients. When I thought about the ideal practice environment I'd like to work in, my thoughts would come back to Quadra. Finally, last January, Rachel and I decided it was time to make the move. I called Dr. Kellerhals, anxious to

know if her offer to work at Quadra Island Medical Clinic still stood.

In fact, Dr. Kellerhals had been working for months with Vancouver Island Health Authority to recruit another physician and she was very happy to have me fill that spot. She was also working with VIHA to have a Nurse Practitioner placed on Quadra and I was very interested in working at a multi-clinician center. Around that time, in late January, Dr. Graham made a decision to begin an independent practice here, so I'll miss the opportunity to work in a joint practice with him and Dr. Kellerhals. But, Quadra Island has now been awarded the Nurse Practitioner position and I look forward to the broader perspective she (or he) will bring to our medical community.

It's a big move to pull up our California and U.S. roots and settle fulltime on Quadra. Rachel and I are leaving both of our adult sons, many friends and connections behind. Because of that, we've decided to make this a trial year to see how things work out for us here. We want this move to be a success and are both interested in integrating more fully into Quadra life.

Some of my thoughts about health care on Quadra include welcoming an integrated network of providers at our clinic, working with public health nurses to offer all islanders fully updated immunizations, starting group visits to tackle common chronic problems like hypertension and diabetes, and incorporating healthy lifestyle habits into my life along with my patients. There's a program in B.C. called "Walk with the Doc" that I'd like to get going here. I'm also planning an outreach clinic on Read Island and perhaps a bit farther afield. I am anxious to start meeting many of you at QIMC. I will be doing 3 weeks of locum work for Dr. Kellerhals over the summer and starting my practice at QIMC on August 19. I am open to new patients and definitely open to all of your ideas about promoting better health for all of us on Quadra.

Sincerely,
Mary Boegel, M.D.

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A Tower Not Soon Enough

Dear Editor

I hope the cell tower goes in so we can get reception in Heriot Bay and north [Quadra] island.

A few years ago my son and his friends were camping up north and an accident occurred. They left quickly as one of their friends were bleeding heavily.

They received a little reception up high to get instructions from 911 but not enough. It took a very long time for the ambulance to come and he almost died. A lot of young people don't have home phones either and find it difficult to rent if there is no reception.

I hope reception comes soon.

Suzanne Chickite

Forest Fire on Main Lake

On July 27th a forest fire was spotted on the north end of Main Lake by cabin owners.

Due to their quick response, they were able to get a water pump and hose to the area and douse the flames. Before long approximately twenty-five people from Village Bay Lake arrived with four more pumps to stop the fire from spreading.

If not for these efforts the fire would have quickly spread up the hill. The fire was believed to have been started by a poor location and attention to a campfire!

When the Forestry Officials arrived they deemed that the fire was out and that they would monitor the area to ensure it was safe. A good job was done by all!

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Thanks,
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Nuyumbalees Cultural Centre will host a BBQ Fundraiser on **Saturday, August 17th at 4pm.**

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To purchase your tickets and support Nuyumbalees, call 250-285-3733.

Location: 34 Weway Rd, Quadra Island.
For more info, call 250-285-3733 or email info@nuyumbalees.com

Golf Course

The Quadra Island Golf Course is open daily 8am to 8pm and is offering a MID-WEEK SPECIAL from 8am to 11am, Monday to Thursday, Two for One 18 holes of Golf AND Large Bucket of Balls for the Price of Small, some restrictions apply.

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Wanted: Local Needlearts

The Needlearts Section of the Quadra Island Fall Fair is once again looking forward to putting on a fabulous display of handmade items for your visual enjoyment.

Look forward to viewing colourful quilts, stunning handknit sweaters, and finely wrought embroidery. There will be felting, spinning and weaving from various fibres, and items of clothing and home decor lovingly stitched. There might even be a whimsical cloth sculpture, or wearable art, or fancy personal accessory to WOW you, and give you inspiration.

All of this to marvel at during our 3rd ever Fall Fair on Sunday, September 8, 2013.

Help to make it a stellar display by entering your works of needleart. Adult entries are just 50c each. Check the catalogue for a full list of categories. <http://www.quadraisland.ca/fall-fair/quadra-fall-fair-catalogue.pdf>
If you have any questions about eligibility, please call Terry Phillips: 285-3040.

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QuadraNews

Mini Art Camp!

AUGUST 12-16 at the Quadra Community Centre

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Register your child today! (285-3243)

Now Booking Fall/Winter Workshops

Are you interested in running a class, workshop or club in the fall/winter at the Community Centre? If so, please phone 285-3243 now to book the space.

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Rod Clark Memorial Golf Tournament

The 2nd Annual Rod Clark Memorial Golf Tournament is on Saturday August 24, 2013 at the QI Golf Club. Registration is now OPEN for QI Golf Club members, QI residents and guests! It's a limited entry of 72 people so don't be disappointed, book early! There is a \$25,000 Cash Prize for a "Hole in One" on 150 Yard Hole #4 Sponsored by QI Golf Club and a \$5,000 Cash Prize for "Hole in One" on 154 Yard Hole #9 Sponsored by the Canadian Western Bank.

The 2013 Entry Fee is \$50.00 per Person and Includes Sandwich Lunch, Dinner and Prizes. Entry fee Does Not Include Greens Fees and/or Power/Pull Cart.

Presentations & Meal Only is \$25.00 per Person. Payment is due at time of registration. Donations of prizes for this event will be gratefully accepted.

To register call 250-285-2811.

Views Of Drew

At the Heriot Bay Inn

An artistic response to Drew Harbour

Drew Harbour is a focal point of life on Quadra Island - we see it as we drive on Heriot Bay Road, we walk beside it while on Rebecca Spit and we venture out on the water in various types of watercraft. During August, painters Kathryn Manry and Teresa Reimer will be showing paintings that were inspired by the changing moods of Drew Harbour. Their work reflects the changing light, the influence of weather, and the personal responses of these two artist to this body of water enclosed as it is by the shores and trees of Rebecca Spit and framed by the mountains.

The show at the Heriot Bay Inn will run until September 3, 2013.

At The Legion

On Saturday August 24th it's Ten Times Bigger Vancouver Island's Premier Party Band! \$10.00 at the door. We are missing some folding tables so If you have borrowed them we would love to have them returned, Thanks!

Tower Town Hall

Town Hall Meeting to discuss the Public Safety Tower on Heriot Ridge.

August 18th, Sunday at 7pm at teh Quadra Community Centre.

Quadra Tennis Tournament

16th of August 2013

All levels welcome, you can sign up with or without a partner. Teams will be picked 5 days before the tournament.

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Quadra Island Library A Hit

NANAIMO, BC— The new Quadra Island library branch, which opened its doors at Quathiaski Cove just over a year ago, raised a few eyebrows when its first year activity report was reviewed by Rosemary Bonanno, executive director of Vancouver Island Regional Library.

"Quadra's library usage is almost off the charts," said Bonanno. "The new branch is a phenomenal hit!"

"Figures show that the number of library visitors has almost doubled, membership has risen 24%, participation rates in programs have close to tripled, and computers have seen a 175% increase in use," she added.

Brenda Leigh, vice-chair of the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board and trustee for Strathcona, said that performance of the new library is a lot better than anticipated.

"The community of Quadra Island obviously loves their new library. The performance statistics speak for themselves," said Leigh.

"I've been so impressed with how our Vancouver Island Regional Library Board has identified in their facilities plan the need for improved library facilities. Our board made a plan and our management staff has been working very hard to make these wonderfully refreshed, modernized libraries and services available to both urban and rural communities in our very large regional library system," she said.

Jim Abram, regional director for Area C, which includes Quadra Island, expressed his gratitude to the Vancouver Island Regional Library Board for the new library branch.

"We love our new library, and we really appreciate the work of our library representative Brenda Leigh who, I know, has been working hard to see that both rural and urban libraries are upgraded. Quadra really appreciates what our library board has provided for us," said Abram.

The new 3,009 sq. ft. library branch is more than three times the size of the old branch at Heriot Bay and features a welcoming, airy and bright, fully accessible community space with large windows and room for more books, CDs, DVDs, newspapers, magazines, and computers. There is also a small space to display local art.

Free Sweeps

Free chimney sweeps for low income Quadra residents using wood stoves become available in the Summer months starting June 1. Several times a chimney fire has destroyed house on Quadra, so it is important that everyone, regardless of income, have their chimney cleaned at least once a year.

Gabe Aston, our local chimney sweep man, has kindly agreed to help low-income residents at a much reduced rate. The Free Firewood Association has agreed to make the sweeps free. If you can't afford a chimney sweep this year, just call Steve Moore at 250-285-3323 to get on the list for a free chimney sweep.

Last year we did about a dozen sweeps because of the generous donations made by Quadra Residents to the Free Firewood Association account at our local Quadra Coastal Credit Union. Next time you're in the Credit Union, please consider putting some money in the account. It keeps everyone warm & safe.

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Fall Fair Update

The Quadra Island Fall Fair would like to thank Jim Abram and the Regional District for helping to secure an Economic Development Grant to help with the operating costs.

Thank you also to the many volunteers who have made the past and upcoming fairs possible.

The fair is entirely volunteer driven and is entirely non-profit. After last year's fair we were able to donate \$1,500.00 to Quadra Recreation, \$1,000.00 to the Quadra Island Food Bank and \$1,000.00 to the Outdoor Stage Project.

If you would like to volunteer visit us at the Farmer's Market, or check us out online at <http://quadraisland.ca/fall-fair/> we're even on facebook! We think we are terribly fun to work with, and we keep the meetings to a minimum!

Mark your calendars for this year's fair. Expect some fabulous family fun on Sunday September 8th at Blenkin Park. There will be over 30 different events to take in, plus 12 musical acts on two different stages – amazing value for \$5.00 per adult, children ages 6 – 17 are \$3.00 and children under 5 are free.

Summer is a great time to get your kids crafting, growing, writing and creating so they can enter exhibits! Look for the youth categories in the catalogue!

Looking forward to seeing you all at the fair!

Quadra Seniors

Our branch has been on this Island for 50 years, next June 2014, which was then called the B.C. Old Age Pensioners.

The Charter members & founding members. were August Schnarr, , Florence Piper, Mr. & Mrs. Macklin, Reginald & Jean Richards, Emily, Constance Breitenbach-(Pres.) Edward Johnston, Grace Grafton, Kathleen Stienland (Sec. Treas) Ethel Stephens, Ellen Caroline Fielding, T A Stilt.

The Seniors felt there was an absolute need to organize a senior protection group for many reasons

- (1) to protect the Old Age Pension
- (2) good health benefits
- (3) Senior Housing
- (4) decent transportation costs.

Our organization today continues to follow the same goals. We also encourage recreation, which includes carpet bowling, exercise and social events. We also work in the tourist info center, from May to Sept, To join our group contact Christine Dyson @ 2207 for transportation call Ruth Amiabel @ 3801

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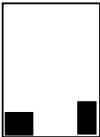
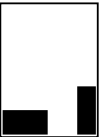

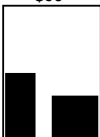






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Each child in KidStart has experiences that indicate their need for support. The loss of a family member, challenges at school, or stresses at home are all reasons that a child will be identified as needing a supportive adult friend.

Here on Quadra, as well as in Campbell River and the Comox Valley, The John Howard Society of North Island's KidStart program gives children and youth the opportunity to make better choices and have wider experiences. JHSNI has been providing KidStart to vulnerable kids for the past seven years.

KidStart is funded solely by donations, fundraising, and gaming funds. Each year the agency struggles to find enough funding to support the program. JHSNI would like to invite islanders to participate in its KidStart Champions

fundraising initiative. KidStart Champions support local children to participate in KidStart.

Research shows that young people involved in mentoring programs like KidStart report better attendance and attitude toward school, less drug and alcohol use, improved social attitudes and relationships, more trusting relationships and better communication with parents, and an increased chance of going on to higher education.

Quadra Mentors and Mentees are currently having fun exploring the great recreational opportunities on the island. They've been hiking, visiting artist studios, building forts at the Spit, swimming, roasting hot dogs over campfires, and enjoying hanging out in the fantastic summer weather.

Becoming a KidStart Champion is simple—choose from three levels of monthly sponsorship (Gold = \$100/month, Silver = \$50, Bronze = \$25). Gold covers the cost of a child's participation in KidStart. Champions can be

individuals or groups such as workplaces, families, or clubs who pool small monthly donations. Donations are tax deductible. KidStart also welcomes one-time donations.

Quadra Island currently has four KidStart Champions who are happy to know that their contributions are helping to change the lives of local kids.

Quadra resident Karen Lakberg is a KidStart Mentor and Champion. She believes strongly in the positive benefits of KidStart. "As a Mentor I can assure you from personal experience that this program works and works exceptionally well. Please support this program in every way possible as there are still many young people who need this valuable opportunity."

To find out more about KidStart, contact Quadra and Campbell River KidStart Coordinator Leanne McIntee at 250-286-0611 or leanne@jhsni.bc.ca. Visit JHSNI on the web at www.jhsni.bc.ca/kidstartchampion.html

Strathcona Regional District Board Names Russell Hotsenpiller As New Chief Administrative Officer

CAMPBELL RIVER, BC
-- The Strathcona Regional District today announced that Russell Hotsenpiller has been appointed Chief Administrative Officer.

Hotsenpiller will take over the position effective August 1, 2013, from his current role as Community Services Manager for the Strathcona Regional District.

"We are very pleased as a Board to welcome Russ to the role of CAO," said Ted Lewis, Chair of the Strathcona Regional District and Mayor of Zeballos. "He brings to this position a deep knowledge of issues facing the RD, a strong track record of success in local government, and an innovative fresh leadership style that will greatly benefit the organization."

The position of Chief Administrative Officer is responsible for the management of the overall operations of the Regional District and overseeing the successful implementation of Board policies and direction. Hotsenpiller will focus on service delivery, team building and advancement of the strategic priorities of the Regional Board.

Hotsenpiller has over 14 years of experience in local government including four years with the Strathcona Regional District. In addition to his background in local government, Hotsenpiller has spent several years in farming and also worked on the paper crew at the Fletcher Challenge mill in Campbell River. His education includes degrees in Political Science and Environmental Science from

Carleton University and Royal Roads, and studies in Land Use Economics from UBC. He lives with his family in Merville, BC.

The Strathcona Regional District is a federation of four electoral areas and five municipalities providing nearly 43,000 residents with a range of services including water and sewerage systems, fire protection, land use planning, parks, recreation and emergency response. The Strathcona RD extends from the Oyster River in the south to Gold River, Sayward, Tahsis, Zeballos and Kyuquot-Nootka in the north and west, and east to Cortes, Quadra and the Discovery Islands and a portion of adjacent mainland north of Powell River. The Strathcona Regional District was established February 15, 2008, making it one of the newest regional districts in BC.

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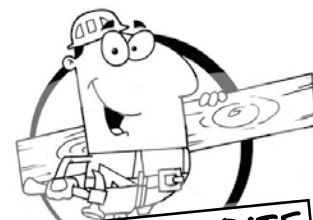
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As a fundraiser for Cortes Island's not-for-profit, volunteer-run museum, the Cortes Museum & Archives Society sponsors an annual series of summer cruises aboard the motor sailor MISTY ISLES. While the ship has sailed six Museum-sponsored trips since early June 2013, three trips—each of which takes place in August—still remain.

On Friday, August 9th, MISTY ISLES will complete a circumnavigation of Maurelle Island. Skipper/naturalist Mike Moore has timed this journey to coincide with the tides necessary to marvel at the tidal rapids, whirlpools, currents, and eddies that surround this Discovery Island located to the northwest of Cortes. Eagles, seals, and sea lions are often seen fishing in these fast waters, where the tidal currents can be upwards of 10 knots at maximum flow! As on each MISTY ISLES adventure, Moore will share a wealth of information about the natural and social history of the areas through which MISTY travels. MISTY ISLES departs Whaletown at 10:00am on the 9th, and returns at approximately 5:30pm, in time for the final ferry off of Cortes.

On Wednesday, August 14th, MISTY ISLES will cruise to Cassel Lake Waterfall in Teakerne Arm. En route to the lake and waterfall, participants will pass the spot where Captain George Vancouver anchored his ship DISCOVERY in 1792. After viewing Cassel Waterfall—often called Captain Vancouver's "spa"—from aboard MISTY ISLES, participants will then take a short hike to picturesque Cassel Lake on West Redonda Island. Along the short trail to this swimmable lake (don't forget your swimsuit!), Moore will point out artifacts from the logging days. MISTY ISLES departs Squirrel Cove at 10:30am

Summer Sailing in Support of Cortes Museum



on the 14th, and returns at approximately 5:00pm.

The final Museum-sponsored cruise of summer 2013 is a trip to Desolation Sound on Saturday, August 24th. Desolation Sound is a favourite destination for boaters from all over the Pacific Northwest. Its many inlets, islets, coves, and bays support a wild variety of wildlife, and comprise the Desolation Sound Provincial Marine Park. This deep-water sound is also well-known for its spectacular fjords and dramatic mountains, as well as for its history as the anchorage for British and Spanish explorers of the late 1700s. Thanks to Moore, participants aboard this

cruise will hear stories about First Nations people and the Age of Exploration, as well as gain knowledge about the marine and topographic features of this beautiful sound. MISTY ISLES departs Cortes Bay at 10:30am on the 24th, and returns at approximately 5:00pm. A similar Museum-sponsored trip to Desolation Sound in July (aboard MISTY ISLES) filled up quickly, so be sure to reserve your seat as soon as possible!

The fee for each of these three remaining trips is \$120, including tax. Off-island participants should catch the 8:30am ferry from Campbell River to Quadra Island on the morning of their selected trip. Participants can then leave their car on Quadra and walk on the 9:05am ferry to Cortes Island—the day's first sailing to Cortes. Walking on will ensure that participants do not miss the Cortes ferry, or the MISTY ISLES departure from Cortes. Transportation from the Cortes ferry dock to the departure point on Cortes (as well as back to the 5:50pm ferry off of the island, if necessary) is available for each of these trips at no extra cost.

For more information—or to reserve a spot on one of these exciting trips—please contact the Cortes Museum (250-935-6340; cimas@twincomm.ca), or visit the Museum's website at cortesmuseum.ca.



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Discovery Islands Gallery Anniversary Exhibition

The first year anniversary of the Discovery Islands Gallery at Cove Centre - will be celebrated with "Abstracts to Love," an exhibition of new and historical two and three dimensional works by Ed Drahanchuk. Drahanchuk's new abstract paintings are something he has worked and reworked for three years.

Ed Drahanchuk began his illustrious arts career in 1959. His formal training came from the Alberta College of Art and Design, where he received numerous scholarships and awards. As a student, he was provided his own room at ACAD to create his pottery. "I set up some shelves, and turned that room into a store," he explains. "Other students, staff and faculty began buying my work." He graduated from ACAD in 1963, and quickly became one of Canada's most celebrated artists.

Mr. Drahanchuk's work also included commissions to design and execute large murals for public and private buildings across Canada. With his wife Ethel, (also an ACAD graduate), in the 1960's they moved from Calgary south to Bragg Creek to build a home that incorporated studio space so they would have easier access to their increasingly busy careers. The 5600 square foot house was declared one of Canada's ten best designed buildings for the decade (1960-70). Drahanchuk's work was displayed at Expo '67, and the result was that his work quickly became internationally popular.

He began working with the Canadian Government Exhibition Commission in 1961, touring Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Europe, France, United Kingdom, Germany, Netherlands and Canada. The Canadian Department of External Affairs permanent exhibition in Europe was established, and many of his works were purchased for the offices of Canadian Embassies around the world. Other sponsors and exhibitors included the Government of Britain, the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Salon of Fine Arts, the Canadian Guild of Potters, and Laurentian University. He received the Allied Arts Medal from the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, the Excellence of Art Achievement Award from the government of Alberta, two Design of Excellence of Awards and the Canadian Design of Merit Citation from the National Design Council of Canada. His work is in the permanent collections of the Alberta Arts Foundation, Alberta House in London England, Confederation Art Gallery and Museum, Charlottetown, PEI. In 2002, Ed was awarded the first ever Alumni Award of Excellence and named as one of ACAD's founders.

During "Abstracts to Love," exhibition, the "Quadra Fibres" group will display their finely handcrafted items at the DIG Annex. There will be demonstrations of spinning and weaving each Saturday.

Both the Ed Drahanchuk and the Quadra Fibres shows open on August 3, and will run until August 23.



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MLA REPORT

by Claire Trevena MLA



We have come to the end of a rare summer session of the Legislature, made more remarkable by the fact that the Premier did not even once take her seat during the five weeks we were in session. She made a brief appearance in the audience - before her by-election victory - during the Speech from the Throne and the Budget. And since then she has not been in the Legislature.

The focus of the five weeks was the budget. We did not actually need to return to Victoria in July to pass the budget as we had passed an "interim supply" bill back in March that allowed the government to continue operating until September. However the BC Liberals rush to get it passed, when many people are not really paying much attention because it is holiday time, strongly suggests we won't be having a fall session.

While the BC Liberals campaigned on eliminating the debt, the public accounts released this week, shows there is in fact a massive hidden debt - \$100 billion in contractual agreements -- and a continued deficit. Despite election rhetoric, debt rose faster than before and climbed to \$5.6 billion. The deficit came in at \$178 million higher than expected, which puts the BC Liberals on track for a fifth consecutive deficit budget.

We challenged the government on these and other issues through Question Period over the weeks. We spent some time unraveling the so-called Quick Wins strategy in which public money was used to gather information for the BC Liberal election campaign. The latest information

shows various BC Liberals were involved in offering inducements to a woman who was involved in the scheme to ensure she did not tell anyone anything about the strategy, which might damage the Premier ahead of the election.

We also raised questions about the BC Liberal government's introduction of wheelchair charges for seniors in public care homes, about foreign workers, lack of apprenticeships and health issues.

As we debated the budget we were able to ask ministers specific questions on areas that impact our constituencies. I had the opportunity to take up some health care concerns for the North Island, asking about the possibility of extra beds for the new hospital, looking at the need for youth mental health beds in our community, addressing the lack of support our hospice gets compared to those in other communities and asking for more flexibility in the payment systems for doctors to ensure that some of our problems in recruitment can be addressed.

Earlier, I raised concerns about funding availability for North Island College, the reduction in conservation officer staff across the North Island and the BC Liberals' commitment to ecotourism in resource communities.

As the Official Opposition Transportation Critic I had some time to question the new Minister, who is from Kamloops, about BC Ferries. He is determined to reduce services as a way of reducing costs and he would not consider looking at the near tripling of management as a way of dealing with the issue.

And the BC Liberals have said that they won't guarantee that the three new ferries which will be built in the coming years will be constructed in BC. In fact, despite the continual spin about their Jobs Plan, when I asked the Minister of Jobs whether they have done any analysis on the economic benefits to our province of building the ferries here she admitted none had been done. That despite multiple studies commissioned by this same government on the still pipe dream of the economic nirvana which will be brought with liquefied natural gas.

We highlighted how much the BC Liberals are ignoring our coastal communities and our economy in a question period about BC Ferries. We didn't just highlight economic issues but also the fact that there's massive secrecy around their safety protocol - a freedom of information request on the evacuation plans of the individual BC ferries has come back with page upon page of information blanked out.

Being in the Legislature does allow me to highlight local events and I had two opportunities this session: one to talk about the annual Miners' Memorial and the fight for union rights and a second to talk about the new second stage housing for women in Campbell River at Rose Harbour.

As I mentioned, it is highly unlikely that the Legislature will be called back into session this fall, despite the BC Liberals introducing a fixed calendar for sessions. If that's the case we won't return until February. So I will obviously be travelling

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the constituency as well as addressing issues in my critic portfolio.

This coming week sees me back in Campbell River for a couple of days, and then I have critic meetings with truckers and road builders in Vancouver. Although my Campbell River office will remain closed the first week of August (the week of the August long weekend), I will be up island for various meetings and I'll be at the Musical Ride at Storries Beach.

I will be taking a bit of time off during August and expect to see people at some of our wonderful campsites, lakes and trails around the North Island.

I can always be reached at claire.trevena.mla@leg.bc.ca, by phone at 250 287 5100 in Campbell River or 250 949 9473 in Port Hardy, or friend me on Facebook or follow me on Twitter @clairerevena.

Best regards,

Claire

'Works' Taking Requests

The sunny (but not lazy...for sure) days of summer remind us how busy our little island can become! A warm welcome to all visitors, relatives and roving rogues!!! Welcome back, Bob...we all knew you couldn't stay away too long! Nice to see your smile again!

Congrats to Carol and Michael on their 30th anniversary....meditation (or is that mediation! Ha ha!) goes a long way!!!

I am going to my annual "buy for winter" trade show so encourage anyone with special requests...ie..tablecloths (size & color), placemats, specialty kids items...any ideas...please give me a "head's up" so I can be on the look-out!

Local art work has been very much appreciated, enjoyed and bought this summer...no surprise! I will have a week near the end of August when unframed originals and prints will be on display and available for purchase...please check in with me as we near August 23rd weekend! In fact, just check in with us anytime...we all love to see you and stay in touch.... (250)285-2834...

Beekeeping Workshop: Preparing Your Hives for Winter

Frank Sheran will be giving a presentation on how to get your bees successfully through the winter season. The coastal climate has some unique challenges for winter beekeeping and an early start to prepare for that part of the beekeeping year is important. You do not have to have bees to attend – everyone is welcome.

We will be opening and looking through some hives. If you have a veil, etc you may want to bring it. Extra gear will be available to borrow at the workshop. A folding lawn chair may be useful.

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Some of the great things you may find: fresh local produce, yummy baked goods, chocolates, toffee, plants, local art, artisan works, soaps and body products, art cards, books, knitted treasures, jewelry, music and much more! Steve Moore is once again scheduling our live music. Huge thanks Steve! 285-3323

The market gate is open at 8am for vendor set up and operates

on a first come basis. Market hours are 10am - 2pm. The table fee for vendors is still an incredibly great deal of \$5.00 and \$1.00 for children (they must sell their own stuff). Charitable organizations are free.

For reasons of public health, we discourage dogs at the market. If you **MUST** bring your dog, they are either to be carried or on leash **AND** please clean up after your pet, people and children play here!

Need more info? Call Stella 285-3184 or Michele 285-3747 OR quadramarket@gmail.com

Quadra Island Farmers Market and Bazaar is on Facebook too! www.facebook.com/quadramarket

You never know what you'll find or who you'll meet! See you there!

Recycling Reminders

It has been some time since a recycling column has appeared. Now that we are in the peak summer season, some gentle reminders are in order.

Cardboard boxes need to be opened up so that they can be put in the bins flat. Stomping them does not work. Stomped boxes just expand once they have been stuffed into the bins. The cardboard bins are picked up twice a week and yet still manage to overflow. There are simply too many people unwilling to take the time to properly flatten their boxes and their haste makes work for those who try to keep recycling tidy. Please remember that waxed or coated cardboard is garbage. This includes milk cartons and fish boxes – in particular.

The recycling depot is not a compost heap, nor is it a place to leave bread or fruit which has spoiled. Dumping edible material simply attracts rats and other critters. It is also terribly bad manners to dump litter boxes and dog poop there. If one would not want something dumped in one's front yard, one should not leave it at the recycling depot. Pet poop stinks and is unsanitary and it makes the depot unsafe for families with small children who wish to use the depot. It also makes the experience unpleasant for everyone else who goes there.

During the summer, far too many unacceptable items are left in the recycling bins. Some of this may be because people from away are used to more complete recycling programs. Some is due to laziness and yet more is due to misuse of the depot as a handy place to clean out the car or camper on the way off the island. We are very proud of our depot and even given the high utilization here, have an outstanding reputation for cleanliness. Please think of us if you are in a rush and find a better solution than dumping garbage at our depot.

For the most part, no plastic bags are acceptable at our depot. Plastic bags which have recycling labels are acceptable at some depots in town. Styrofoam is not acceptable, regardless of labelling.

The can bin is for cans only. Stove pipe, tinfoil and pots and pans are not acceptable here. Metal recycling is done in town. Only cans are recycled here.

Please try to put everything in the bins. This applies particularly to returnables. While it is nice to leave things out for others to take away, it is simply too unsightly and makes it difficult for the truck to load the bins.

Our recycling depot is held up as an example of what to do right when it comes to recycling. While there is always room for improvement, we should all be proud of how beautifully we have integrated recycling into our island lifestyle. Well done.

Celebrate the Grand Opening of the Quadra Island BC Ambulance Station!

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WHAT: Station Opening Celebration

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- Tour the station and ambulance
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- Refreshments & giveaways

Flowers and the Fall Fair

by Eileen Mackay

With just a few weeks until the Fall Fair, it is time to start preparing your flowers so they are at their best. The hours of daylight are decreasing and growth is slowing so it is time to give your plants a boost with some fertilizer and extra attention.

Select a fertilizer that is lower in nitrogen but higher in phosphate and potassium to encourage blooming and increase bloom size. Organic mixes are great but they do work more slowly than a chemical fertilizer. Brian Minter recommends alternating something like 20:20:20 with liquid fish fertilizer to get the benefits of both. Try to fertilize about every two weeks at a lower concentration than recommended rather than once with a concentrated fertilizer.

If you are entering the classes for large blooms (dahlia) or single blooms (hybrid tea rose, zinnia or begonia), try disbudding or removing side flower shoots so all the energy goes into the main flower. With dahlias this means removing those two small flower shoots on either side of the main bloom. With begonias, remove the two female flowers that form the wings on either side of the big bloom.

Keep dead heading all flowers so they do not set seed. A plant's ambition in life is to reproduce itself. Keep it frustrated and it will keep blooming.

Keep an eye on your planters as the rays of the sun change with the advancing season. Where they had to be protected from the hot mid-day sun before, they may now be in too much shade. We have had few entries in the planter section which is a pity as there are some beautiful ones around the island. It goes without saying that water is needed on a regular schedule.

Keep an eye open for slugs if the rains return. It has been a wonderful year for slugs, especially the black one with the orange line around its foot. The Best Slug Enhanced Leaf should have a record entry.

Keep talking to those flowers. All that hot air and extra carbon dioxide will produce a winning entry. Check the categories once more and select which ones you want to enter or you may want to enter them all. It is so lovely to walk into the main hall to be greeted with an abundance of glorious plant material.

At the HBI

Live Music Friday nights: August 16... Peel Quadra's own high energy rock! August 23... you don't want to miss the **Duffy Live** experience! Unbelievably fantastic food, exceptionally great music and extraordinarily good times in the HBI Pub. 9:00pm.

Open Mic, Saturdays - There's always a good story told (or made) on the summer deck at the Inn. Laughing good times jamming with Mo at open mic every Saturday. Local talent meets visitor talent in the HBI Pub. Come and jam or simply relax and enjoy the mix. **Music at 9:00pm** and we're cooking dinner until 10:00pm.



Singin', Swingin' Karaoke Tuesdays! The karaoke stars are coming out – take the mic and sing like no ones watching OR sing like everyone's watching! It's so much fun to participate and really entertaining to watch. Tuesdays. HBI Pub. **Starts 9:00pm.**

Friends of the Heriot Bay Inn... join our facebook and watch for upcoming events, contests, enjoy all the new event photos and the fun interactions with HBI friends! Follow us on Twitter too!

Heron's Dining Room; We are serving our own Quadra Hillcrest Farms beef, pork and turkey, and sourcing free run chicken from Rosstown farm. Fresh fabulous seafood from Outlandish Shellfish as well as west coast caught halibut and salmon.... join us for wonderful food, great service and a spectacular views cape. **Open seven days a week, 7:00am to 10:00pm for your dining pleasure. Reservations: 285-3322**

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Historic Boat Tours Head North in August

The Museum at Campbell River's summer boat tours are designed to get people out on the water and visit areas they normally may not be able to explore, while learning about local history. In August, the Museum is again offering two trips to the north – a boat cruise out of Kelsey Bay that will take passengers over to **Hardwicke Island, around Yorke Island and up to Port Neville.** The tours depart on **Sunday, August 11 and August 25 at 9:30 a.m.**

Discovery Marine Safaris' bus takes passengers by road from Campbell River to Kelsey Bay, and along the way, the Museum interpreter will discuss places of historic interest like Menzies Bay – named after Captain Vancouver's botanist, Archibald Menzies; Brown's Bay Marina and Resort, built in 1954, and Robert's Lake Resort, still operated by a member of the Duncan family of Sayward.

Turning at Sayward, known for the famous Cable Cookhouse, the bus continues to the Port of Kelsey Bay, which was once a bustling BC ferry terminal. Here, guide and passengers will board the *Tenacious III* and will begin their exploration of this section of Johnstone Strait.

First stop is Hardwicke Island, where the Bendickson Logging Company thrived for several decades, and where bunkhouses from the Yorke Island fort were floated over and used as part of the logging camp. The original jail from Yorke Island can be seen from the bay. It once housed Hardwicke Island's primary school teacher and has now been converted into a summer home.

From Hardwicke, the boat heads north, passing the east side of Yorke Island and enters into the beautiful Port Neville Inlet. Passengers can disembark at the dock there and walk up to the original historic Hansen homestead, which houses a private museum. On the return trip to Kelsey Bay, the boat will cruise past the west side of Yorke Island where the World War II Observation Post, a remnant of the Yorke Island fort, is clearly visible from the water. Cameras are a must!

To reserve call the Museum at 250-287-3103. The cost is \$130.00 per person and includes hot and cold beverages and a light picnic lunch. Please note that all itineraries are dependent upon current weather and marine conditions.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT



By Jim Abram

I hope that all of you are enjoying this beautiful, sunny summer weather! We are very fortunate. I had a very difficult time stopping my work outdoors so I could come in and spend some time filling you in on recent events / issues. There are a few things you should take note of and I will try to be brief.

Communications tower - Heriot Bay Ridge

There has been quite a bit of email traffic regarding the ad that was in the last DI regarding an application for a tower to be placed on Heriot Bay Ridge. There were mistakes made in the ad regarding the deadline for comments back to the Province (for the lease of the land), and a lot of confusion about what the tower was for.

As it stands right now, the applicant, North Island Communications, wants to hold a public information meeting with regard to the feedback that he has been getting from islanders. I have been to the site, as have others, and I am pleased that the applicant is willing to meet with the public on this topic.

The meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, August 18th, at 7 pm, at the Quadra Community Centre**. If you have concerns or are just curious to learn about the application directly from the applicant, attending this meeting is a must.

A New Chief Administrative Officer for the SRD

I am pleased to announce that the SRD Board has chosen Russ Hotsenpiller as our new Chief Administrative Officer. Russ was the General Manager of Operations for the SRD and was totally in charge of managing the Planning, Building and Parks departments. He was a former CSRD employee and moved to our SRD team after the split of the regional district by the Minister in 2008. I have worked with Russ since he was first hired 14 years ago and feel he will be a real asset to our staff.

Parks bid meets the deadline

Another milestone has been reached on our many years of work on the acquisition of the Merrill - Ring owned property that sits between Waiatt Bay Park and Small Inlet Park. The deadline for bids to be submitted has been met. This is a major accomplishment for our community and we must now wait and see if the company accepts the bid. The Province came through at the very last minute after daily pressure from us and the "big city" media. The bid, while not public at this time, is very close to the asking price. If Merrill - Ring has a heart, they will accept the bid and offer some good will to our community and the province as a whole. The completed park will span the area from Small Inlet right through the isthmus

of the island to the Waiatt Bay shoreline and around to near the Octopus Islands Marine Provincial Park.

This will be another jewel in the park system of Quadra Island and a true testament to the late Judy Leicester and the years of hard work and dedication that she put into this endeavour. All of the other volunteers who worked on this proposal are to also be thanked profusely for sticking with it. This began in the '90's for those who don't know the history of the project. I must also thank the community for its hard work and generous donations towards this purchase. And last but not least the staff at B.C. Parks who have worked tirelessly on this file through many setbacks. They stuck with us and are to be congratulated.

Now we just need to wait for the answer from Merrill - Ring, which should be forthcoming within the next month. Keep your fingers, toes, arms, legs and eye crossed!

Kanish View Drive ongoing negotiations

This topic has been around for far too long and I am hopeful that now that I have secured two meetings with the Manager for the South Coast Region for the Ministry of Transportation, we will be able to come to a solution to making the 250 meters of access road to the Kanish Estates part of the maintenance schedule on the Ministry's books. It is hard to believe that such a short piece of road could cause so

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much grief for so many years. The road joins the Granite Bay Road with the Kanish View Estates subdivision and also provides access to our SRD Regional Park at Granite Bay.

I will meet with officials on Friday, August 9th, on site, and then at a later date with those same officials and the community of Kanish View Estates.

UBCM time again!

Every September we meet as local governments at the Union of B.C. Municipalities meeting. This year the meeting is in Vancouver for the week of September 16th. I have requested meetings with a number of Ministers to deal with issue of concern to our area and am awaiting confirmation of the dates and times.

Along with the other members of the Coastal RD Chairs Group, with the Premier and the new Minister of Transportation regarding our ferry issues. We're starting from scratch once again with another Minister of Transportation, but we will do our best to bring him up to speed very quickly concerning our need to have an affordable marine highway in place to service our communities.

In addition to these meetings, I will have the opportunity to meet with Provincial ministry officials and with other local government leaders from around the province. The informal meetings are just as important as the formal ones and give us all a chance to share ideas and perspectives on how to get things done in our communities. It is always a great learning experience.

I said I was going to keep this brief, so I will stop here. 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@explornet.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!

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Abram

Director, Discovery Islands - Mainland Inlets (Area C), SRD

Quadra Market Live Music

The Saturday Quadra Market has Live Music all Summer long from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 pm. The coming line up for August is:

August 10 - Jackie McPhee performs for the first time.

August 17 - The Whole Sh'Bang, Quadra's newest youthful rock band plays.

August 24 - Banjo Joe plays banjo and sings.

August 31 - Hal Douglas returns with jazzy blues singing and guitar.

Thank you local vendors, Quadra Islanders & visitors for being so generous to Hal Douglas last week.

Please continue to support the above local musicians by placing donation in their guitar case and/or basket.

Volunteers Needed for Free Firewood

The Free Firewood program provides firewood to low income Quadra residents for free. The idea being that everyone needs to be warm regardless of income level. And, of course, the hydro rates keep increasing.

So if you can chop wood and/or have a chain-saw to help us, please phone Steve at 285-3323. It's just a work crew that lasts around 2 hours, usually on a Wednesday morning.

Many thanks to our current volunteers, but some new energy is needed to keep this 6 year old program going.

Wearable Art Show

The Campbell River Art Gallery is delighted to announce that renowned Flamenco dancer Maria Cristina Guzman will do a special performance at this year's Wearable Art Fashion Show.

The show, which features stunning art created for the human form, is set for 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10. Tickets are \$30 for CR Art Gallery members and \$35 for non-members. This includes hors d'oeuvres, a chance to win one of our fabulous door prizes generously donated by local artisans.

Coordinator Quadra Cultural Committee

Job Description

This is a volunteer position with organizational flexibility. Planning for each season begins a year in advance, with certain months (May, June, Sept.) requiring more time. There are months when little is required. This position will require a transitional year, and the new coordinator will be well supported while learning the job.

Job Responsibilities - 3 areas:

Financial

With the help of the treasurer, the coordinator oversees an annual budget of approximately \$20 000 and supervises the preparation of federal and provincial grant applications and local fundraising activities. For grant purposes, close attention must be paid to revenues and expenditures.

Artistic

The coordinator, with advice from committee members, gathers information and makes decisions for a 5 - 6 performance concert series each year. The coordinator negotiates contracts with artists or agents, signing and keeping track of them.

Volunteer Supervision and Recruitment

There is a very able volunteer committee in place, so at present, little is required.

The coordinator oversees the organization of each concert, which involves publicity, Community Centre rental, tech organization, accommodation and hospitality for artists, house set-up, and fulfilling the riders of the contracts. In the main, this work is done by experienced volunteers.

If you are a community member with a strong interest in and knowledge of the performing arts, good organizational and writing skills, good interpersonal skills, and time on your hands, you would find this a very rewarding position.

Please email your application to:

info@quadrarec.bc.ca

TIDES - HERIOT BAY

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	13:57	1.6	5.2
	20:46	4.8	15.7
10 Saturday	02:52	2.5	8.2
	08:28	4.2	13.8
	14:34	1.9	6.2
	21:14	4.8	15.7
11 Sunday	03:36	2.2	7.2
	09:24	4.1	13.5
	15:15	2.2	7.2
	21:45	4.7	15.4
12 Monday	04:22	1.9	6.2
	10:28	4.0	13.1
	15:59	2.5	8.2
	22:18	4.7	15.4
13 Tuesday	05:13	1.7	5.6
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14 Wed.	06:10	1.5	4.9
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15 Thursday	07:15	1.3	4.3
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	19:17	3.5	11.5
16 Friday	00:38	4.4	14.4
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	20:59	3.6	11.8
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18 Sunday	02:53	4.4	14.4
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	17:41	4.7	15.4
	23:14	3.3	10.8
19 Monday	03:57	4.4	14.4
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21 Wed.	00:44	2.8	9.2
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22 Thursday	01:26	2.5	8.2
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square kilometer area of Vancouver Island, Haida Gwaii (the Queen
Charlotte Islands) and the mainland Central Coast. Further information
about the Vancouver Island Regional Library is available at www.virl.bc.ca

The objective of this RFP is to locate and select a qualified General
Contractors for renovation of an alternate location of the Cortes Island
Library Branch.

A mandatory site meeting for interested General Contractors and Trades
will take place at 11:00 am (11:00:00 hrs), Local Time, Friday, August
16, 2013 at Linnaea Farms located at 1255 Seaford Road, Cortes Island,
BC. All proponents interested in responding to this RFP must attend
this site visit.

For further information please contact the Facilities Manager at
250-729-2314 before August 14th, 2013.

Request for Proposal documents are available by contacting Elisa
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