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# Island Calendar

•Every Thursday-Jam with Moe, Quadra Legion8pm • 1st Friday of every month-Open stage at the Yak Shak Coffee House, 7:30-10pm

**October 28, Sunday** -"God is at work all around us." 10:30 a.m.

**QI United Church** 

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**October 30, Tuesday** -QI Ratepayers and Residents public meeting QI Comm. Centre 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

October 31, Wednesday	
-Halloween Fun Night	QICommunityCentre
-Halloween Salmon BBQ & Spaghetti Dinne	
5-7:30 p.m.	Quadra Daycare
November 2, Friday	
-Mitlenatch Field Naturalist Society	QICommunityCentre
8:00 pm Explore Quadra Slide Show	
November 3, Saturday	
-Ken's Koffeehouse	QICommunity Centre
7:30 p.m.	
-QI Trails Clean-up & Improvement Day	QICommunity Centre
10:00 am	
November 4, Sunday	
-"Keep Walking in God's Love"	QI United Church
10:30 a.m.	•
-Mitlenatch Field Naturalists	Rebecca Spit
10:00 a.m. at the gate. A B irdwatching Walk	-
-Triple Marine Event	<b>QICommunity Centre</b>
7 pm	-

November 7, Wednesday -Quadra Seniors Meeting **QI** Legion 10:30 a.m., 12:30 nurse will be there with flu shots

November 10, Saturday -Bill Hilly Band 8:00 p.m.

November 11, Sunday -Remembrance Day Service 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Bob Stiven -Remembrance Day Service 10:45 am

November 12, Monday -Quadra Island Garden Club 7:00 p.m.

November 13, Tuesday -Quadra Quilters 9:30 a.m.

November 16, Friday -Christmas Craft Fair 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

November 17, Saturday -Christmas Craft Fair 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

November 18, Sunday -"God is creating something special" 10:30 a.m. -Pianist Francine Kay 7 p.m.

**December 1, Saturday** -Christmas Craft and Bake Sale 10 am to 2 pm www.discoveryislands.ca/news

#### **Keep In Shape**

Ouadra's Kamikaze Folkdancers invite you to join us on Tuesday evenings at the school gym, from 7:30 to 9:30 Our experienced instructor Marcy Wolter, teaches each dance we do. The cost with a Ouadra Rec membership is \$60 for the season (Sept-March) or a drop in rate of \$3 per evening.

#### **Halloween Fun** Night

Halloween Fun Night is Wednesday October 31 starting at 6:30 with games and the Haunted House in the Quadra **Community Centre. Fireworks** start at 8:30 on Blenkin Field. Everyone is welcome. It's free! [Donations to Fireworks can be made to Quadra Recreation Society, Box 10, Ouathiaski Cove, B.C.] Call Q.C.C. if you want to help! 285 3243.

## **Peace Vigil**

In view of the tragic events of last month, a dozen Quadra residents are organizing a weekly Candlelight Vigil For World Peace. The death of innocent civilians in New York, Washington and Afghanistan has made us feel helpless and despairing for the future of our planet. We want to take some kind of consistent community action as witnesses for World Peace. Come join us every Saturday at 1pm for a Candlelight Vigil For World Peace. Meet at the Quathiaski **Cove Shopping Center Parking** lot. Look for the "For World Peace" sign.

## Ken's **Koffeehouse**

Don't forget to mark November 3rd on your calendar... that's the date of Ken's Koffeehouse- a benefit fundraiser for Ken Demille. Ken is well known on Quadra for his involvement in several musical groups including Whirlwind and First Pressing, just two of the acts that will be on hand for this extravaganza of local talent. Every musical taste is sure to be satisfied as the evening progresses from classical piano and vocals to folk, jazz and rock. Some performers you can expect to enjoy are the Former Smooth Edge, Murray Garland's a capella ensemble, All Shook Up and Sack o' Hammers. Dancers of the Highland and Belly varieties will be shakin' it , Jocelyn and Lauri have stories to tell, and Sunday's drummers will punctuate the evening. All this diverse talent will be held together in a somewhat cohesive manner by guest M.C. John Frisholz.

Off stage, expect a tempting array of yummy snacks and refreshments. A Silent auction will also take place, and this will be a great way to contribute to the Ken fund while getting a chance to take home some swell stuff!!

The show gets underway at 7:30 at the community centre. Tickets are just \$10 each or \$25 for the whole familv.



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## The Bill Hilly Band

On Saturday, November 10, at 8:00 p.m., the Bill Hilly Band performs at the Quadra Island Community Centre. Formed in 1996 by a group of accomplished and successful Canadian musicians, the band is a unique combination of artistry, enthusiasm and irresistible entertainment. With a 200-plus song repertoire, including traditional and original tunes sung in French, German, Spanish and English, the musical style of the Bill Hillys ranges far and wide. This all-acoustic string band plays musical styles that draw from the formative years spent touring Europe. One of the most sought after bands at the 2001 Pacific Contact artists trade show in Vancouver, the Quadra Island Recreation Society is one of the many presenters pleased to book this band. Truly talented musicianship with a big stage presence and genuine sense of fun makes this band a true crowd pleaser.

The Bill Hillys are made up of Marc Atkinson, mandolin virtuoso, who originally hails from Quadra Island. Prior to forming the Bill Hillys, Marc played with a swing Trio, and accompanied acts including Mae Moore, and members of Cirque du Soleil. He brings his love of jazz, folk and rock to the Bill Hillys. Andrian Dolan plays piano, fiddle, and accordian, and has played with Natalie MacMaster and April Verch. Chris Frye plays guitar, Glen Manders is on bass, and Beau Klaibert completes the band on fiddle.

The Bill Hillys were a hit at this years Rootsfest in Victoria putting "on a complete show: fantastic arrangements performed by advanced musicians, coupled with a flair for humour and choreography that captivates audiences of all ages " (James Kelley, Rootsfest organizer).

Advance tickets are available at Page 11 books in Campbell River, at Explore Gallery in Quathiaski Cove, and at Quadra Crafts in Heriot Bay. Advance tickets prices are 14\$ for adults, and 8\$ for students. If there are tickets left, they will be sold at the door on the night of the show for 16\$ for adults, and 10\$ for students under 18.

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## **Open Stage**

Come and share your talents in an evening of variety entertainment for the family, songs, poetry, juggling, dance. Admission \$3.50. Students & performers \$2. 1st Friday each month, 7:30 - 10:00pm, Yak Shack Coffee House, corner of Taku Rd.. and Heriot Bay Rd.. Downtown Heriot Bay. For more info. call John at 285-2958

#### Aerobics With Marion

Started already at the Community Hall. Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:00- 7:00 PM. A great aerobics workout with floorwork some weight training and stretching. Come and feel good in your body again ! 8 sessions \$32. Drop in \$5. Students \$3 Everybody welcome

For questions call Marion at 285 2895

### Daycare Hosts Christmas Art Show

One of Quadra Daycare's most popular fundraisers is our greeting cards. These cards represent some of the art work that the children who attend out programs create.

This year for the very first time we would like to honour all the children of Quadra Island by turning their designs into Christmas cards. At the beginning of October we will be asking children to send their work in to the daycare. Once we have received all the submissions we will hold a show celebrating children's thoughts of Christmas as shown through their art work.

At this time friends and family members will have the chance to support their favourite artist's work by ordering a set of cards. The cards will be ready in time for Christmas.

All artwork must be on  $81/2 \ge 11$ , no pencil. Please submit work by November 12. All orders are to be in by November 18.

## PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS

#### NEW #1 FIRE HALL 844 HERIOT BAY ROAD QUADRA ISLAND, BC

The South Quadra Fire Protection District (SQFPD) invites general contractors to submit expressions of interest for prequalification to bid on the construction of the new #1 Fire Hall. Please submit a Qualification Statement including information on relevant project experience, length of time in business, names and qualifications of experienced staff available to supervise the work, present workload, corporate information, financial references, bonding capability and limits, liability insurance, statement of good standing with the WCB, and references on similar projects from design professionals and owners.

The new #1 Fire Hall will be a two storey building with a total floor area of approximately 7000 sq.ft., with two drive-thru apparatus bays. Construction is wood frame. The main construction contract will include work from bare site to lock-up stage with complete exterior finishing only; final interior work will be contracted separately by the SQFPD. The anticipated tender call will be in November 2001, with immediate award of the construction contract.

Criteria for evaluation of submissions will take into consideration:

- experience in successful construction of buildings of similar type and scope.
- history of completing contracts on schedule and on budget
- history of good working relationships with owners/consultants
- availability of suitable project management and supervisory staff
- existing workload and commitments

Contractors submitting information consent to its verification. A limited number of contractors may be selected at the sole discretion of the Trustees of the SQFPD. Two copies of the prequalification submission must be received by 3:00 p.m. on 2001 November 07 at the address below. Faxes will not be accepted.

South Quadra Fire Protection District c/o M.M.Johnson Ltd., Structural Engineers Mailing: Box 369, Quathiaski Cove, BC, V0P 1N0 Delivery: Unit #201, 654 Harper Road, Quadra Island, BC Phone: (250)285-2281

# QI Ratepayers and Residents Assoc.

The work of the steering committee which is developing the QIRRA structure and operating rules continues with weekly meetings. Although the task is far from being completed we have decided to begin holding general meetings on the last Tuesday of each month (except for December).

The first monthly meeting of QIRRA will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 pm October 30, at the Community Centre. Presentation by Bill Pirie who will speak to Walcan's position regarding the relocation of local fish farms 8:00 to 9:00 Presentation by Jim Evans, chairman of Quadra Island Fire Hall Trustees outlining the details of the new fire hall The QIRRA steering committee report will start with an introduction of committee members. Collectively we will try to address issues such as our vision statement, membership, structure and creation of a more permanent board, coordination amongst all community groups and creating a list of community issues for further discussions. We will be looking for feedback at the meeting, by direct communication to any board member and by drop boxes at as yet undetermined locations.

An important part of our vision statement relates to providing reflecting information diverse The community views. two informational presentations selected for this meeting are of major and immediate concern to Quadra Islanders. They are both part of larger issues and we do not expect this meeting to resolve those issues or to portray all points of view. We do hope to get accurate and current information that will help each of us to develop our opinions and enable further informed discussions.

Fish farming is still a controversial subject with strong opinions both for and against its expansion and its current operating regulations and procedures. There is presently an application by Marine Harvest before the Regional Board to relocate a local fish farm to Churchouse at the mouth of Bute Inlet. Walcan is a major employer and economic factor on our island and processing farmed fish is an important part of their business. Bill Pirie has been asked to speak to Walcan's position regarding this application and www.discoveryislands.ca/news

the relocation of two other local fish farms.

The volunteer fire department and ambulance service are extremely important organizations in our community. The dedication of their volunteers and the services they provide is surely, appreciated by all Islanders. The South Quadra Fire tax levy is the largest amount under the Local Service Taxes section of your property taxes. The Fire Hall Trustees have been asked to present the most current information regarding the financing and construction of the new fire hall and possibly an attached ambulance station. They will cover among other things

• What is current status of the new fire hall project?

■ What is the total cost of the project and how is it being financed. How secure is this total cost projection?

■ Can the project be built in two stages in order to reduce up front costs?

■ Has it been considered putting construction out to open tender?

■ What are the options for building and financing the ambulance station. Can the lease be secured for the duration of the payback period?

• Explanation of the counter petition process. What is it, why it is being used, how would it be done, who can sign it etc.

We are hoping that there will be a large turnout to help us get QIRRA organized and to participate in the two important information sessions. Time constraints will probably allow only limited discussion from the audience, however they are many ways to get your questions answered and opinions heard. You can attend the meetings of the South Ouadra Island Fire Protection District. There will be another public meeting regarding the fish farm relocation to Churchouse, time and place to be announced. Letters can be sent to the Discovery Islander. We encourage all Islanders to get more involved with the issues, attend meetings of all applicable organizations and express their views. Please also contact any OIRRA committee member to get your concerns and questions on the agenda for our monthly meetings.

## Quadra Food Bank

The Quadra Island Food Bank is a non profit organization run under the umbrella of the Quadra Recreation Society. We have been in operation for 18 months at our location in the attachment to the Community Centre near the front door. Our hours of operation are the second and third Wednesdays of the month from 1:00 to 2:30 pm.

We want to thank the many members ot the community who have contributed through the stores, school, fundraising events and private donations. This summer, the beautiful flowers,fresh produce & fish donated were greatly appreciated by the people who received it and we felt good about being able to distribute fresh food.

You can make monetary donations and receive a tax receipt through the Quadra Recreation Society with a notation that the Food Bank is the recipient. If you have any questions please contact either Anne @ 285-3457 or Teresa @ 285-3888.

#### **Triple Marine Event**

Here is a wonderful triple-bill for anyone who connects with the sea - both above it or below. Starting off this special marine evening will be Mike Richmond, long-time SCUBA diver, whose slides reveal the amazing underwater world of the Quadra area, rich in fascinating creatures. Descending to 80 feet, Mike has taken wonderful slides revealing a close-up look at the weird and wonderful wolf-eel, the awesome octopus, as well as a bright variety of deep-water fish, seaweed and sponges in colours that you don't expect to see beyond the tropics.

A special segment will be Mike's 20 minute video exploring the "Capilano", a Union Steamship which sank off Texada Island in 1914. In early times, Union Steamships serviced Quadra and other islands monthly, bringing mail, supplies and island settlers.

The second half of the evening brings an excellent hour long video, made by award winning film-makers Ed and Wendy Isenhart. In their 45 foot sailboat "Integrity", they follow in the 1792 wake of Cpt. George Vancouver's ship, the "Discovery", the first to circumnavigate the island which would eventually bear his name. It's a great tale and a great sail, covering spectacular scenery, wildlife and wild weather, historic places and boardwalk settlements. It also includes a stop at Quadra Island. (You get your admission refunded if that's YOU on the dock!) So mark your calendar now. November 4th Sunday at 7pm. Admission only \$5 adult, \$3 student and \$12 per family. Refreshments at intermission.



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#### **Visitors' Maps**

Once again I would like to extend my warm thanks to Steve Halliday and Quadra Credit Union for continuing to donate both paper and photocopying of the Quadra Visitors' Map for 2001. Thanks also to Margaret Heald for cheerfully running off quantities of the maps whenever they were needed, quite often in haste!

In addition, I would like to thank all the stores, resorts and other which readily sold the maps without any profit; their kind cooperation enabled every dollar to go toward the Community Centre Addition Project.

Although the additions are close to complete, there are still loans to be paid off and the purchase of new (and comfortable!) chairs. Again, my thanks to you all.

Hilary Stewart and Community Centre Additions Project

#### Smoke Alarm Day

This Saturday, October 27th, is the day we set back our clocks. It is also national smoke alarm day. Fire Chiefs across the country urge you to test your smoke alarms to make sure they're working properly and to replace old smoke alarms that are more than 10 years old. If you haven't changed the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in the last year, now is the time to do so.

Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms save lives. Protect your loved ones by making sure they're working properly.

For more information:

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## **Legion News**

The Poppy - The symbol of Remembrance.

Our Poppy Annual Campaign will begin Saturday, Oct. 27/01. A group of pipers from Campbell River and Courtenay will be coming to Ouadra to join us in a tour of our pubs Friday, November 2 starting at the Legion shortly after 6:30 p.m. Remember that all monies raised stay on Quadra and Cortes Islands to assist our Veterans and their dependants so please be generous.

#### We will remember them.

November 11th is Remembrance Day, a time to pay tribute to those who laid down their lives in defence of freedom, democracy and all those values we hold dear today. Quadra's service will be held at the Quadra Legion, Sunday, November 11th. The Legion will be open at 10:00 a.m. Please be seated by 10:45 a.m. The service will be followed by lunch. This year we will be ioined by a contingent of 20 members of the Canadian Forces Base in Comox. All are welcome, especially the children. We will round out the day with a Pot Luck Supper at the Legion. Cocktails at 5:30 p.m. Supper at 7:00 p.m. Music will be provided by "All Shook Up". So dig out your favourite recipe and join your friends.

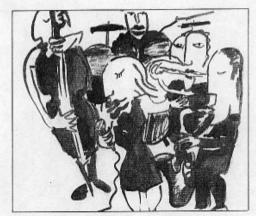
## **Bake Sale**

Quadra Legion Br#154 Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a Christmas Craft and Bake Sale on Saturday, December 1st, 2001 10 am to 2 pm at the Legion Hall.

Table rental is \$10 each and may be booked by calling Chris at 285-2207 or Joyce at 285-3971.

Santa arrives at 11 am and pictures with Santa available from 11 am to 1 pm. Everyone welcome.

# Ken's Koffeehouse



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#### Turkey Shoot for Quadra Island Seniors Housing

Thanks to Bill and Edith Nutting and an enthusiatic group of volunteers a potato-shoot Sept. 29th. at Nuttings farm raised \$1147.75 for the Quadra Island Seniors Housing Society. Although the weather was not ideal, a good turnout enjoyed hot dogs hamburgers, moose chili and drinks. Participants in the shoot included youth, men and women, many who were novices.

We wish to give special thanks to the following donators- Fermentations, Isle Tech Auto, Explore, Cove Gallery, Village Hair, Tim Campbell, Hummingbird and Angus Acres Farm. The Nuttings wish to also thank Dar Richards, Joyce Hargreaves, Bob Brown, Wayne Piears, Clinton Palmer, Laurel O'Connor, Maria Strom quist, and Karen Summer.

Winners: B.S. Bingo-Joan Fersh and Glen Nutting.

Chicken Bingo-Ellen Nutting and Glen Stephens.

Spud Gun Trophy-Clinton Palmer.

Prize for travelling the farthest-visitor from England.

Turkeys-Bob Brown, George Noel, Bill Nutting,Terry Hooper,

Bob Lasby,Sam Simpson,Cal Clendening, Larry Stevens and Tom Hughs.

Free Range Turkey-Dick Ironmonger.

Youth(cash in lieu of turkey) Andy Stevens.

Raffle Winners-Tom Hughs, Joyce Grey,Bill Dubois(Sr.), Penny Dowler, Marie Sutherland,Theresa Burke Gaffney.

The members of the Seniors Housing Society appreciate the spontaneous contribution of the Quadra Island Community to assist in furthering this project. Our heartfelt thanks go out to everyone who contributed to the event.

Ken Duncan.

### Attention Clothing Designers

Rumour has it that Bossanova Design Studio of Quadra Island will be having another fashion show extravaganza to liven up the dreary month of March . The show is scheduled for Saturday, March 16 and will once again be held at the fabulous Quadra Community Centre. Past shows have featured a number of local designers from Comox, Courtenay, Campbell River and Quadra Island. Items shown have ranged from hand-dyed clothing to silk screened t-shirts to full collections by designers featuring items from bikinis to evening gowns and everything in between.

If you are interested in showing your collection of original designs at this show in March, please contact Kami at Bossanova Design Studio before November 15th for more information. The studio is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday 11 am - 5pm or call 285-2003.

#### Softball News Volunteers Needed

Our season has ended and what a season it was! We're having our AGM. and elections Thursday Nov. 15th 7 P.M. New south entrance at Community Centre. We are offering a draw for a free softball registration for the 2002 season. Come on out!

130 Quadra children rely on the efforts of our volunteers. It is such a small committment, the rewards are huge. We offer mentorship for new volunteers. If you can't make the meeting but want to volunteer send a brief note stating area in which you can help to **Quadra Island Minor Softball** c/o Box 426 Q.Cove B.C. VOP INO before Nov. 15th. Volunteers are the life blood of our community without you there is no way. **Be A Volunteer**! Thursday Nov. 15th 7 P.M. Community Centre. For more info please call Michele Sjoholm 285-3747 THANKS!

## Quadra Island RCMP

#### **Stolen Boat Recovered**

On October 21st, 2001, the Campbell River RCMP received a report that a red 16' Harbourcraft aluminium boat with a black 25 hp Yamaha outboard motor had been stolen from the 1900 blk of 19th Street Campbell River. The boat has since been recovered by the Quadra Island RCMP at the Cape Mudge Reserve on Quadra Island.

Anyone with information on this theft is asked to call the Quadra Island RCMP @ 285-3631 or Crimestoppers @287-8477

#### Found Bicycle

A black men's 15 speed mountain bicycle has been recovered in the bush behind the Petro-Canada Gas Station on Heriot Bay Rd. If you beleive that you own this bicycle, please contact the Quadra Island RCMP @ 285-3631

#### Marijuana & Gun Seized

On August 25th, 2001, the Quadra Island RCMP and the North Vancouver Island Emergency Response Team executed 2 search warrants on a residence on Sutil Point Road, Cortes Island B.C A large amount of marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia and a restricted weapon were seized.

Charged with Unlawfully Produce a Controlled Substance and Unlawfully Posses a Controlled Substance for the Purpose of Trafficking is 54 year old Charles Bertrand Summers and 54 year old Victoria Margurite Summer of Cortes Island.

Charles Bertrand Summers is also charged with Possession of a Restricted Weapon.



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# Blenkin Park Playing Fields

Bids are now being sought for the development and installation of a water supply/irrigation system. All interested parties please contact Ross McPhee at **285-3472** 

#### **Explore Quadra** Slideshow

Take a tour of Quadra Island's fascinating heritages sites and hiking trails with local writers Ian Douglas and Jeanette Taylor. Mitlenatch Field Naturalists will host a slide show and talk by Douglas and Taylor, based upon their new book "Exploring Quadra Island, Heritage Sites and Hiking Trails", on November 2 at 8:00 p.m.at the Quadra Island Community Centre.

"Exploring Quadra Island," was released last summer as a fund raiser for the island's Community Centre. It was an immediate success, with over 600 copies sold to date. The book is both an entertaining mix of tales and facts describing the people, birds, plants and animals of the island. It's also an authoritative guide to 22 special places to explore.

Taylor and Douglas will use slides of historic photographs from the Museum at Campbell River's collection and contemporary shots to illustrate their talk. They're sure to have you scrambling for your hiking boots, to search out the haunts of Black Jack Bryant and Lord Bacon or to scale the rocky ridges of the Chinese Mountains for a panoramic view of the Discovery Islands.

"We're getting set for a second printing, says Taylor. "We hoped it would sell well but it's surpassed all our expectations." "Exploring Quadra Island" was sponsored by Comox-Strathcona Regional District and Quadra Credit Union, with additional support from Quadra Foods, Spirit of the West Kayaking Adventures, Taku Resort and Walcan Seafood Ltd. Profits from sales will be used for community centre development and trail maintenance.

The Quadra Island Recreation Society's trails committee, a group of dedicated volunteers, have created a terrific selection of trails on the island, from seashore walks to more challenging climbs. "Exploring Quadra Island" provides maps and hiking tips to help people locate and enjoy some of the best of these trails. And the many entertaining and lively tales in the book add further interest to visiting places like the old Lucky Jim gold mine, abandoned homesteads and First Nations village sites.

"Exploring Quadra Island, Heritage Sites and Hiking Trails" is available in most local bookstores for \$15.95. Specially signed copies will be available at the Mitlenatch talk on November 2.

# **Reach For Unbleached**

Where can you get recycled chlorine free paper? Although this simple product which is good for the environment and for workers is hard to find, on Quadra and Cortes Islands the answer is easy. You can buy a whole box through the Office Paper Buying Club. or you can purchase smaller packets at Hummingbird Office Supplies in Q. Cove. The next delivery is Nov. 15th.

In 1999 Reach for Unbleached!, a registered charity and a pulp pollution watch dog organization, which started on Cortes Island, organized the joint purchasing power of small businesses and environmental groups into a buying club for chlorine free recycled paper. To date, over 300 small businesses, professionals, social justice organizations and environmental groups, mainly in British Columbia, have taken advantage of the service offered by the club. The club has saved its members well over \$45,000 compared to what they would have paid for chlorine free recycled paper, if they could find it.

It has also saved about two thousand trees and 8 million litres of water! Recycled and chlorine free paper also decreases air pollution by three quarters and water pollution by a third, according to Environment Canada. And, of course, that recycled paper does not go to the landfill.

It seems like such a no-brainer that it's hard to understand why everyone doesn't convert to chlorine free recycled paper for most of their paper, but the pulp and

paper industry is very conservative and slow to change. The paper is hard to find, and expensive.

That's why Reach for Unbleached! teamed up with Paper Choice, a small business which has been selling recycled papers in Vancouver since the 1980s. The combination of business know-how and the environmental organization's wide contacts proved fruitful, and after some experimentation, the Buying Club is the result.

Already the price is lower, and the Buying Club is easy for people to use. Eventually, Reach for Unbleached! wants the club to be big enough that it can place a guaranteed order with a BC mill, so that totally chlorine free jobs are created here at home. (Making paper provides 8 jobs for every one job in pulp.)

Success speaks louder than slogans, and Buying Clubs are springing up in various areas of the United States. The largest is in Washington DC, but there are others in the US midwest and in southern California. The Vancouver-based club has a depot in Toronto as well.

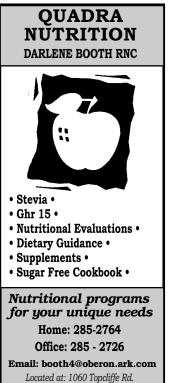
The next Office Paper Buying Club order deadline is October 31st. The 80% recycled, 100% process chlorine free and old growth free paper is \$56 a case (5000 sheets, 8.5 x 11 inches white only) plus delivery and taxes. Prepayment is required. Contact Delores at Reach for Unbleached! Ph/fax: 250-935-6992 E-mail: dbroten@rfu.org www.rfu.org

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#### **Piano Recital** Rebooked

Quadra Recreation Society is excited to announce that the piano recital originally scheduled for September 23rd will take place on November 18th. Pianist Francine Kay will be performing at the Quadra Community Centre on Sunday, November 18th at 7 p.m. The recital will include works by Rameau, Debussy and Chopin. Classical music fans will remember Ms. Kay's thrilling and sensitive performance of a Mendelssohn Concerto with the Victoria Symphony when they were in Campbell River in 1999. She has been the featured soloist with many North American orchestras, and as a recitalist she has performed throughout the United Stated and Europe. She is also featured regularly on CBC Radio and on many other international radio and television Broadcasts.

Ms. Kay obtained her Bachelor and Master of Music degrees on scholarship at the Juilliard School, where she studied with Adele Marcus. She then pursued her studies with Marek Jablonsky and Leon Fleisher. She made her orchestral debut with the Toronto Symphony in 1988. In 1989, she became the first ever winner of the Career Development Award presented by the Women's Musical Club of Toronto. That same year, she gave the world premiere performance of distinguished Canadian composer Oscar Morawetz's "Four Contrasting Moods".

In May of 2000, Ms. Kay was the winner of the Pro Piano International Competition in New York City, making her their "Recitalist of the Year. Her recording of the complete set of Debussy Preludes was nominated for a Juno Award in 1996 and her recording of solo works by Ravel and Satie was released in the fall of 2000.

Tickets for the recital are \$10 for adults and are available at Explore Gallery and Quadra Crafts on Quadra Island, Page Eleven Books in Campbell River, and at the door. Admission is free for students (16 and under) if accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 285-2899.

## **Tonight! Protection**

Doors 7:30 - Showtime 7:45, admission \$4.50, \$3.50 students & seniors mature subject matter.

The story of "Protection" concerns a veteran social worker. Jane, frayed by a load of impossible cases, and her current family dilemma: Betty, a junkie, Betty's boyfriend and her two kids. While Jane and Betty occupy opposite sides of the issue, they have a lot more in common than they realize. Both are increasingly defeated by the circumstances of their lives. Both seem as if they will snap if the pressure gets any worse.

Protection certainly appears to be an accurate portrait of a system close to ruins and getting closer. This movie probes the rusted-out urban underbelly to show how it is for people who are crushed by life. Director Bruce Spangler stays true to his conviction to truth-telling throughout.

## Trails **Clean-up Day**

Saturday, November 3

Have you or your visitors to the island used and enjoyed our trails this past summer?

The Quadra Island Trails Committee is calling on all trail users to help on a clean-up and minor trail improvement day. We invite walkers, joggers, bikers & horseback riders, all individuals and families who use the wonderful trails on Quadra.

Work will consist of cutting back salal, & removing ferns & fallen branches. We will be working on the Kay Dubois & Haskin Farm trails. as well as the connector from the Morte Lake trail to the Chinese Mtn. parking area. Bring work gloves, clippers, small handsaws & mattocks if you have them, or use tools belonging to the Trails Committee. Sturdy boots or shoes are important.

We will meet at the Community Centre at 10: a.m., travel to the trails in groups and work until about 2 p.m. or as long as you can help. Join us for a fun day and help maintain our trails system.

For further information call Jim at 285-2393, or Judy at 285-2922.

#### **Friday Flick Presents** Nora

November 9th. RATED R-Doors - 7:30 Showtime 7:45, \$4.50, /\$3.50 students and seniors

If you want to know more about James Jovce, read Ulvsses, If vou want to know more about the woman behind the man and life with an artist, go to see "Nora". This is a sexy, fascinating look at the life led by Joyce and Nora Barnacle, the woman who became his lover, wife and muse.

Ewan McGregor plays Joyce and Susan Lynch (Waking Ned Devine) is Nora. The film's atmosphere, including the terrific period sets and costumes, is a real turn-on, over and above the fact that this is a candid story of turn of the 20th century rebel lovers. "Nora" covers the period in Joyce's life before he became famous. It's an interesting notion, to examine the artist's struggle and the warts 'n' all scenario that took place before his transformation into public figure.

## Quadra **Quilters**

The October meeting was well attended and included all the regular features such as Show and Share, Block of the Month. great goodies and good conversation. The guilters were delighted to hear that the quilts that have been forwarded to the Childrens' Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House have been well received and are much appreciated. These cheerful quilts, made with children in mind, are an ongoing project of the group. Some members also made blocks for the American Disaster Relief. These red, white and blue blocks are of various star patterns and are to be used in a Memorial Quilt. They are already on their way to the USA for piecing and quilting. A small part of Ouadra will, together with blocks from around the world, be part of this guilt. The afternoon Scrap Workshop conducted by Karla Thomson, certainly made a dent in the collection of scraps we all seem to accumulate and everyone is looking forward to finishing the block at the November meeting.

# **World In Motion**

#### **Darlene Booth RNC**

so rarely watch the news. It is far too hyped and fatalistic for my comfort zone. Negativity sucks energy. It slowly permeates the psyche leaving an empty void where laughter and hope reside. I am perhaps guilty of hiding my head in the sand. Believing that what I don't know can't hurt me so to speak. I see no evil, hear no evil and desperately try to speak no evil, though every now and then I can't resist indulging a devilish thought when it comes to surface. I am a work in progress &

That changed on September 11, 2001. My usual morning routine was interrupted by an urgent phone call from a good friend to turn on the news. And like the rest of the world, I sat in shock and disbelief as I watched the morning horror progress. Talk about your "Reality TV". It was much larger than any Hollywood production I had ever seen and my rational mind had trouble comprehending the true impact these surrealistic events were to have on the global scale. But slowly, ever so tenaciously, it did sink in.

There are few on this earth that have vet to recognize how this barefaced act of terrorism has effectively struck a blow to each and every being upon this planet. There are individuals and groups who are directly involved in the drama, those who lost life, those who journey the path of recovery, families mourning their loved ones, world leaders facing difficult decisions, and scores of brave souls left to sift through the aftermath and pick up the pieces. And then there are the rest of us. Stripped of our naïve sense of security, no longer certain that we will wake up in the same world we knew when we said our evening prayers the night before.

Historically speaking, we know that war can only bring hardship and heartache. Those who support the concept of warring in the name of religion are those who scare me the most. How can anyone believe that God would support human suffering on that level? God is love. Love is peace. I don't get it. Just how do we effectively deal with a schoolyard bully who is totally out of control? I have lived in the Middle East. I spent 4 years in Saudi Arabia where the religion and the government of the people are virtually one in the same thing. I have tasted Islam in the strictest sense, yet at the same time savoured my Canadian heritage and relished my Canadian freedom. There are those who would argue our sense of national freedom, but lets not split hairs. Compared to many other countries, we are so very fortunate and should remember this always.

On the flip side of the coin, I have also experienced a gentler Islam when we were to spend another 4 years on the eastern coast of Malaysia. When we lived in Saudi Arabia, we lived on our own self-contained compounds and rarely had an opportunity to interact with the local citizens other than those who ran the shops that we frequented on our weekly rounds. It was different in Malaysia. I got to know these people on a personal level. We lived in the same neighbourhoods, our children played together, our husbands worked together, we celebrated their holidays and they helped to celebrate ours. Friendship & acceptance. There are many different paths leading up the mountain but in the eyes of God, are we not all on the same journey?

Whoever was responsible for the events on that dark Tuesday in September, certainly knew what they were doing. Their blatant aggressive attack struck a chord on the financial world as well as revealing that even a mighty giant like the USA has an Achilles' heel. It was definitely a global wake up call that served to enlighten us to the fact that there are no guarantees in this life. One must always be prepared for the unexpected.

It rocked my world. It shook free my cobwebs of complacency. Each new day is a gift and should be cherished. There is no telling where this world is headed or what is coming in the days ahead. It may be a time when we all have to ride the bull for a while and pray that peace will blanket the earth and mankind can learn to live together no matter what differences endeavour to divide us.



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# **Money Matter\$**

#### Steven Halliday

The investment climate of 2001 was already rather calamitous even before the tragic events of September 11, and remains extremely uncertain today. No matter what particular area of investment products you may favour, the environment is not very friendly. Stock market volatility has made stock or mutual fund purchases a leap of faith, safe havens such as guaranteed investments are generating yields that are much less than what they were a year ago, and even tame vehicles such as bonds and mortgages are producing disappointing results. Investors in gold, seeking the traditional hedge against volatile markets and currency risks, have seen little or no action. So what is an individual investor to do?

Of course, there are several questions one must ask oneself in determining what options are prudent in one's own case. How do you feel about risk? What is your investment timeframe? How healthy is your state of financial affairs? What about tax implications? Estate considerations? And so on. Everyone is different, with different needs and wants. And frankly, your needs and wants may be significantly different than they were, even just a year or two ago. It is quite clear that the attitude of the investing public is very different than in the recent past, as evidenced by the level of redemptions and lack of new purchases in the once booming mutual fund industry. 2 years ago many people thought that anyone not fully invested into the market, particularly the white-hot technology segment, was oblivious to the realities of the "new economy". Today, many have seen huge chunks of their capital evaporate with the meltdown in that sector, or have been at least singed by the decline in the markets for more conservative, "blue chip" type investments. For example, if just one year ago you had invested in Nortel Networks, at the time the biggest company in Canada by capitalization, your return today would be a 92% *loss* on investment. Conversely, had you invested in an old time, boring blue chip stock like Philip Morris Companies your return would be an excellent 52% gain. I could recite literally hundreds of similar examples, but that is not the point of this article. The major thing to be aware of is that *you* must take responsibility for your investments, making decisions based upon knowledge that *you* have gathered, while working within the band of risk within which *you* are comfortable.

I personally have a very low threshold for risk, which should come as no surprise to anyone, considering my profession. Although by some investing standards my age allows for a fairly significant proportion of my investments to be risky (one self-calculator suggests that 50% of my investments should be in equities), my own preferences have kept my risk tolerance to no more than 10% of my portfolio. The other 90% just has to plug along, earning the historically low returns that guaranteed investments and real estate generate. But my principal is safe, and I am earning a return that beats inflation. But what about that 10% of risk capital? How does one go about deciding where to invest it?

Speaking for myself, I do my own extensive research, utilizing public information sources, periodicals and the database of my discount broker. I make a conscious decision on how much I am willing to pay for the stock, and then monitor it until it reaches that price. At present, I own 3 stocks that I purchased with a minimum 10-year investment timeframe. All represent a different sector of the economy, and each has it's own unique niche. One is a genetics research company, another is in the oil tanker business, and the last is an insurance company. All have been purchased within the last year. How have they done? Respectively, they are up 17.8%, down 3.2% and down 3.0%. Considering the state of the markets recently I am very pleased with their performance, especially considering they are my "high risk" investments. But all share several characteristics – well thought out business plans, strong balance sheets, and they are widely held. They should all be able to weather out the worst of the markets, and in my opinion all have very bright futures.

As a further illustration, I am presently considering one investment that I have been watching for the last 9 months, and it was a magazine ad that originally caught my attention. By the way, this is not a recommendation to buy, because I simply do not do that. The ad showed a picture of a robot, with a very familiar "H" symbol on its...uh, chest?...er, neck?...OK, fuselage! The headline reads "His grandfather was a Honda Civic." This piqued my interest, and so I commenced my research of Honda Motor Company. After all, I already knew they make great cars, and terrific outboards, and lots of neat other motorized things. Well, guess what. They also have a great business plan, strong balance sheet and are widely held. The only thing they don't have going for them is price. But I'm watching and waiting, and when the price is right I will likely add it to my portfolio. All because of one magazine ad.

So there you have it. I realize I didn't answer the question posed in the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, because no-one can answer it. You must be the master of your own destiny, and make your own decisions. There are plenty of resources out there to help you, but the decisions must be made on your own gut feelings. Look around you and think about things that interest, excite or intrigue you. Any one of them might be an excellent investment. Do the research, allow for risk, and don't rely on any single source for information. Think long term, and ignore the bumps. And most importantly, buy low and sell high.

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# NORTH ISLAND THERAPEUTIC RIDING SOCIETY

This poem is dedicated to our pony, Percy who we thought we were "putting out to pasture", 'cause we thought he was old, tired and lame. We found a good home for him with our new instructor. Then,...

There was a pony named Percy We thought we were showing him mercy We thought he was lame But he was playing a game As he whinnied "good-bye" to the herd, see

So Percy was moved to the Cove Past Harbourbrook Road he was drove Later that night, he whinnied his plight To all the good folk of Q Cove

All through the night he was game He ran all around with distain We thought he was quartered But he wouldn't be thwarted As he escaped time and again

October the 12<sup>th</sup> dawned so gray Percy was in search of some hay He'd gone up Harbourbrook And found a wee nook As he headed for home like a dray

Percy thought we'd been rooked But really his goose was now cooked 'Cause when he got home He could no longer just roam So now in the program he's booked

You may wonder what happened to Percy Who we thought we were showing such mercy Now he must work for his hay And for Percy, it **was** a *long* day

Now, you may think NITRS is all play But we're always in need of more hay So – we hope you will give us a hoot We're always in need of more loot Neighhhhh - and have a good day!

Doug Beaumont Executive Director North Island Therapeutic Riding Society

# Just the facts please!

#### Dear Editor,

This letter is my personal response to Ted Conover's letter, and is not implied as the opinion of SQFPD, it's Trustees, or volunteer members.

Mr. Conover is wrong when he writes there isn't \$458,000 in the Capital Renewal Reserve Fund for projected costs of the new fire hall. I agree the year 2000 financial statements do show the Fire Hall Acquisition Fund at \$300,233. What Mr. Conover neglected to say, was there was \$129,522 in term deposits.

Mr. Conover was present at the Sept.10,2001 Trustee meeting and raised this issue. I agreed with him that I, as a Trustee, was remiss in not instructing the accountant to transfer the year 2000 budgeted amount of \$52,000, plus \$12,646 interest income to the hall fund. Add to that the budgeted year 2001 allottment of \$49,500, and the projected (not yet budgeted) year 2002 amount of \$50,000. So, we have \$300,233 plus \$52,000 plus \$12,646 plus \$49,500 plus \$50,000 equals \$464,379 available for projected withdrawals to year end 2002.

As Mr. Conover left that meeting, he stated he was happy with the figures. Also available to be added to the total Capital Renewal Reserve Fund is approx. \$35,000 from Ambulance, Cape Mudge, and Term interest income, and approx. \$35,000 in timber sales from the free building lot.

Mr. Conover goes on to accuse me of not applying due diligence as to the "timing, scope, and cost of a new fire hall." I take that statement as a personal insult to myself, existing Trustees, and the many previous Trustees who have been working on this project for 10 years now. Many studies and cost analyses have been done over this 10 year period, all arriving at the same answer. It is not feasible to waste taxpayer dollars on serious upgrade of an old building that we don't even own, and would still be too small.

I don't recall ever hearing a question from Mr. Conover at an AGM, when all this has been discussed and approved by the public. Alternatives? I guess the the alternative is an unsafe workplace, no decent washrooms, no showers, undrinkable water, serious lack of training space, office space, equipment storage space, and declining volunteer membership.

The membership issue is very important, because if the Provincial Fire Commissioner downgrades the Fire Department capabilities, you can probably double your household or business fire insurance premiums. I'll let you do your own math on that. In my case, thats about \$700 per year more, versus \$145 for fire protection.

Conflict of interest? The firm of MM Johnson Ltd. was hired to design the new hall before Murray became Fire Chief. Subsequent to that, the Trustees again revisited this issue, and felt there was no significant conflict. The Department has hired a highly qualified Engineering firm, that is charging approx. one-half the Professional fees as established in Consulting Engineering and Architectural Institute guidlines.

Yes, Mr. Johnson is now paid as a parttime Fire Chief. He has also donated hundreds of hours of unpaid volunteer time to this Department. The Trustees control the budget, they control the capital spending, and they make the final decisions. The job of Fire Chief is separate from that of Professional Engineer, and Mr. Johnson is quite capable of separating the two. *Jim Evans* 

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#### **Dear Editor**

We would like to submit an idea to the community that we think deserves some consideration.

The community should endeavour to make a deal with the new owner of the Timberwest land (lot 208) by April Point. In exchange for 30 or so acres, approximately 1/5th of the property, maybe Quadra Islands OCP could look at any reasonable zoning changes Mr. Schellink may come to us with. This could create some badly needed campgrounds and picnic sites on the west side of the Island.

These trade-offs have become an accepted practice for dealing with land use issues and If this is done properly, with community consensus, all the island could benefit. We need to start talking and planning for this area before we are once again surprised and disappointed by the outcome.

Just go to April Point Marina and look for yourself. Just an idea!!

Keith and Robyn Liseth

#### **Dear Editor,**

As a Member Agency of the United Way – Campbell River and District, we are writing to inform your readers how important United Way dollars are to the North Island Therapeutic Riding Society. The United Way assists us in being able to provide therapeutic riding services to special needs children and adults.

As a Member Agency, we are privileged to receive a dependable quarterly allocation, which provides us with approximately 10% of our annual operating costs.

Without public support of the annual United Way campaign, and their ongoing support of us, we would be less certain of our ability to provide this valuable service.

Yours truly, Doug Beaumont Exec. Director

#### Dear Barrie & all Quadra Island Residents,

We live 35 miles from the "pile". Our county is one of the "bedroom communities" of New York City... wrongly named... we are a family room community! where so many lived and played. The loss is compounded by the fact that the missing were mostly young family people with very young children. One of our volunteer's sons is a NYC firefighter assigned to the "pile" for now. He is one of thousands digging. He came home the other night and his 6 year old ran to hug him. His first words were "Did you dig out Mr. X yet?" Mr. X's son is in his class. No one has adequate words for our children.

Thank you for flying our flag and the prayer vigils. That is all we can do also. We have 2 nurse daughters, they stood ready but could do no more than the rest of us. Please continue your prayers as the families accept this week that their loved ones are not missing. They are in the arms of our Lord. Love always Cathy Baker

Submitted by Barrie Calverly

#### **Dear Editor;**

As I write this, I just returned from a fire call involving a tree on fire on the power line on Heriot Bay Road. Nothing spectacular, just a fallen tree hung up on the top wire, smoking away, a bit of flame. Common enough to have trees on the power line on Quadra! The difference in this case: the line was still hot;14,400 volts running down the tree into the ground. This energy radiates through the ground a long ways from the tree, many people have been killed or changed for life by walking up to a situation like this one. As fire department, in this case we are there for public safety - we don't block the road, just baby-sit the site on each side of the danger zone, make sure no one stops in the wrong spot or comes walking along the wrong side of the road. Two trucks, half a dozen volunteers giving freely of their time to help keep everyone safe, something we do dozens of times a year....

So why am I telling you this? Well, after we'd been there for a little while, one of the passing drivers stopped and rolled down his window to speak to me. Instead of perhaps a question or two, as we sometimes get, I received a verbal blast form this man for being out there. "What the #\*%\$ are you doing out here for a little tree on the power line...spending my #\*%\$ tax dollars for such a stupid thing? Do you think they go to every tree on a line in Campbell River?...etc". The man was rude and full of nasty words, but I politely explained that this was a hot line and though there was little danger to anyone passing in a car, there was considerable hazard to anyone approaching the base of the tree (for anyone who doesn't believe this, we'd be happy to provide educational materials on powerline hazards). I also explained that everyone there was a volunteer and it wasn't costing him anything. "What about the #\*%\$ gas to run those trucks out here...you guys shouldn't be here - we don't need you ... " Off he went.

Normally I shrug and carry on when we get something like this, but there has been some highly undeserved criticism of the Fire Dept. recently, and this type of attack I just described is uncalled for and very unfair to those people who left their homes and jobs to hurry out and spend time helping ensure public safety. Be happy that these people are volunteers and that you're not paying them for calls as in many volunteer departments. Be happy that they're out there doing the best job they can whenever needed, which is usually in crappy conditions. One day it might be you that they're helping out - I don't care how tough you are, or how much you know about things, or how long you've managed to survive in the world without our "effing help".

Murray Johnson



# North Island Green Party AGM Held on Quadra

#### by Tanya Storr

Sustainable forestry and electoral reform were key topics of discussion at the first ever annual general meeting of the North Island Green Party Constituency Association (NIGPCA). Speakers at the AGM included North Island Green Party candidate Ralph Keller and BC Green Party leader Adriane Carr.

Approximately 50 people attended the AGM, held in the upstairs meeting room at Quadra Community Centre. Quadra Island was chosen as the AGM's location because the majority of Green Party members reside here.

Member at large Peter Johnson, a Campbell River resident, introduced the rest of the NIGPCA board of directors: Louella Baker (secretary), Robyn Mawhinney (communication chair), Wendy Richardson (financial agent), Delores Broten (member at large), and Patrick Stewart (member at large).

Louella Baker gave a brief history of the North Island Greens, stating that 11 people showed up at the first meeting at Wendy Richardson's house in January 2001. The North Island Greens now have 90 members.

Ralph Keller, North Island Green Party candidate, garnered 42% of the vote on Quadra and 53% of the vote on Cortes in the provincial election.

"I think we are well on our way to changing this Green movement into a substantial political party," said Louella.

Patrick Stewart called the election for the board of directors. All board members agreed to stand. As the call for nominations brought no other contenders, they were all elected by acclamation.

Patrick, who joined the board more recently, said the amount of work accomplished by the other board members leading up to and during the election campaign was nothing short of phenomenal.

"This board could be a model for many," he observed.



BC Green Party leader Adriane Carr addresses North Island delegates Photo: Tanya Storr

Three of the board positions are two-year terms and the other three are one-year terms. In this way, half the board will be elected each year. The North Island Greens have no chairperson; instead, they rotate the position of chair at board meetings.

Wendy Richardson gave the financial report for the NIGPCA. With donations and fundraising/memberships, the association was able to contribute \$7,268 to help cover the costs of candidate Ralph Keller's campaign.

"This resulted in a cost per vote of \$2.18. The North Island Liberals spent \$13.06 per vote in their campaign. The difference indicates the Green Party's commitment to fiscal responsibility and restraint," Wendy noted.

Wendy encouraged people to donate to the Green Party to help with expenses and/or to become members.

In her media update, Robyn Mawhinney invited submissions from NIGPCA members to the Green Party Post, the association's newsletter.

Ralph Keller then addressed the audience, focusing on his vision of a sustainable and diverse economy for the North Island. "We are not managing our economies well. One of the biggest reasons for this is the scale upon which we operate. Big scale = big mistakes; small scale = small mistakes. We are clearly living in an economic system which is prepared to sacrifice our forests, our lakes, our atmosphere and the health of the earth's human inhabitants and wild creatures for profit. It is essential then, to re-introduce the concepts of small, of community, and of sustainability," Ralph said.

He went on to say that we need to reinvent the North Island economy. Ralph asserted that the way to do this is to regain control of our land base, which is presently controlled by three giant corporations.

"Land tenure reform must occur. The BC woodlot is a forest tenure which most closely resembles the European model of forest management. It requires the manager to become intimate with his land. Woodlot managers usually live in the community most affected by their activities. When they make mistakes, and they certainly do, they are small and usually not catastrophic," he stated.

Forest land tenure reform in favour of woodlots has to be a priority for the Green Party, Ralph said.



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Having said that, Ralph went on to stress the importance of parks. He contended that parks are the best investment the people of BC ever made.

"The marketing of our parks worldwide are responsible for delivering an industry to BC which last year hit a record 10 Billion in economic output, exceeding for the first time ever, the forest sector in this province."

Ralph also touched on the implications of the September 11 terrorist attacks in the U.S.

"The social and economic difficulty we find ourselves in has everything to do with not so much the events of Sept 11, but events preceding it. The new economic world order as proposed by proponents of Global multinationals, WTO and NAFTA and other free trade agencies consistently fail to recognize that 5% of the world's people still control 50% of the world's resources," he noted.

"The spread between rich and poor continues, not just between the West and the Third world, but even amongst our own people here in Canada and the US. When we disenfranchise and reduce to economic slavery the majority of people in the world, we first lose their respect, and then earn their hatred," Ralph said.

Adriane Carr spoke next, saying the horror of the events on September 11 should never be minimized, but meeting violence with violence is not a solution. "We must learn ways of non-violence in resolving conflicts. We must learn tolerance if we want to feel a sense of peace between ourselves and the world we live in. That is the mandate of the Green Party," she stated.

Adriane noted that the BC Greens moved up from 2% of the vote to 12.4% of the vote in the last election.

"Imagine what we can do if we are organized for the next election. That is what the next four years are about. People are looking to us for hope for the future," she said.

Electoral reform was the main focus of Adriane's speech. The Green Party is planning a province-wide initiative under the Recall and Initiatives Act in the spring to try to change BC's electoral system to one of mixed proportional representation.

This system would involve electing some MLAs in proportion to the province-wide vote for a party. For example, a 5% vote province-wide for a party would translate into 5% of these seats in the Legislative Assembly, while continuing to elect some MLAs by the most votes cast on a regional basis.

The Green Party will need to collect 200,000 signatures across the province (10% of the voters in each constituency) on a petition in order for a draft bill on electoral reform to be introduced.

"Reforming our electoral system will accurately reflect the wishes of the voters in BC," Adriane said, adding that several countries use some form of proportional representation.

The meeting adjourned following a question & answer session and a presentation of gifts to Ralph Keller and Adriane Carr from the North Island

#### Obituary

**Wiggins, Mark Lane** passed away suddenly at Quathiaski Cove, BC on October 3, 2001 at the age of 52. Predeceased by this parents, Mary (nee Alguire) and Lyle Barrey, and his adoptive parents Elizabeth (nee Barrey) and Robert Wiggins. Survived by his two sons, Derek Wiggins of Coquitlam, BC, and Lane Wiggins of Parksville, BC and their mother Wendy Harlow of Nanaimo, BC. Also survived by sisters Caryl (Gary) McCoy of Sarasota, Florida, U.S. and Lynne (Bruce) Swanson of Oakville, Ontario and their families. Also sadly missed by Victoria and Frank Fitton, Quathiaski Cove, BC and Donna and Jim McGreal, Hamilton, Ontario and their families. A memorial service was held Saturday, October 13, 2001, 11:30 a.m. at Sutton's Campbell River Funeral Home, 502 S. Dogwood St.

In as much as his mortal life has come to an end, we do not grieve, knowing his life to come will be free of the cares of the world. We will cherish his memory.



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Three Homes For Sale

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