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# MAY DAY

## 2011

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3rd Float: Heriot Bay Inn

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Best Overall Individual:  
Keely Assu-"Gnome"

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1st Savana Pare-"Sunflower"

2nd Sioux Hartle and Cliff Mooney  
"The Queen Bee and the Mason Bee"

3rd Carol Woolsey-"Mother Nature"

#### Best Bike

Ailva and Annette Grundvig-  
"Leopard"

#### Best Humour

Jill Gates-"Ewes Poo"

#### Best Small Float

Laurie Hewitt and Dylan

#### Best Costume with Animal

Deb Banta  
and Arwan the Newfie Dog

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Sandy Spearing - Coordinator  
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## THE REGULARS

### MONDAY

Parent & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm  
Low Impact, 8:30 am, QCC  
Yoga with Josephine, Room 3, QCC, 10 am -12 noon  
Karate, 4 pm, QCC  
Sing for Pure Joy! Room 3, QCC, 3 - 4:30 pm, *All welcome.*  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Quadra Children's Centre 7 pm  
Movie Night at the HBI (unless there's a Canucks game!) FREE  
**1st Monday** - Quadra writers group, 7 - 9 pm 285-3656

### TUESDAY

Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 9-11 am & 5 -6:30 pm  
Quadra Children's Song Circle, Room 3, QCC 3 - 4 pm  
Caregivers Support Group 10 am QCC  
Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
Al-Anon Meeting, Quadra Children's Centre, 7:30 pm  
Folkdancing, QCC, 7:30 pm, Sept 21-Apr 26  
Vinyl Night with Mo at the HBI Pub 7 - 9 pm

### WEDNESDAY

Parent and Babes 11 am QCC  
Climbing Wall Teens 4:00 pm QCC  
"The Pack Ride" Moderate to Vigorous bike ride 6:15pm Yak Shack  
Climbing Wall Family 6:30 p. QCC  
U of Q! HBI Pub, 7 pm, free  
Hand-drum Circle, Upper Realm, 7:45 - 9:15 pm  
**1st & 3rd Wednesday** Food Bank, QCC 1 - 2 pm  
Lifedrawing sessions, Firesign Studio, 7 - 9:30 pm Nancy, 285-3390

### THURSDAY

Gentle Yoga Flow with Marnie, Vitalis 9 am - 11 am  
Parents & Tots, QCC, 9:30 am - 12 pm  
Karate 4:00 pm QCC  
Climbing Wall Kids 2:30 pm QCC  
Intermediate Yoga Flow with Megan, Vitalis 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
Prayer Meeting, Quadra Island Bible Church, 7 pm  
Drop in games and wing night, Legion, 7:00 pm.  
Karaoke with Big Bad Blake HBI 9:00pm. It's free!

### FRIDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 pm Quadra Children's Centre  
Fridays - dance bands in the HBI Pub 9:00pm

### SATURDAY

Quadra Farmers' Market 10 am to 2 pm behind Credit Union, Q Cove  
"Fun Ride" Easy to Moderate bike ride 10:30 am Aroma Cafe  
Legion Meat Draw 5pm, Steak Dinner 6:30 pm  
Open Mic with Mo, HBI, 9 pm

### SUNDAY

Centre for Spiritual Living Celebration, Willow Point Hall, 10:30 am  
Family Service, Quadra Island Bible Church, 10:30 am  
Quadra Sunday Painters, 11 am - 2 pm, 285-3390  
United Church-11 am, first Sun. of month-12 noon, 285-3163.  
Buddhist meditation, Upper Realm, 10 am.  
Country Music Jam with Steve Trayler in the HBI Pub 3:00 pm

## DAY TO DAY

### Friday, June 10

- Sunday Dennis CD release, West Road Yoga Studio 7:30 pm

### Saturday & Sunday, June 11 & 12

- Discover Quadra, tourism open house, various locations 10 am - 4 pm  
see page 14 for details

### Saturday, June 11

- Valdy dinner show in Herons. \$50.00+tx Res 285-3322

### Sunday, June 12

- Quadra Golf Course Open House, 950 Heriot Bay Rd 1 to 4 pm  
- Second Annual Lusciously Loka Fashion Show and dinner in Herons. \$35.00+tx

### Friday, June 17

- Blackberry Wood 9 pm at the HBI \$10 incl. drink ticket

### Saturday & Sunday, June 18 & 19

- Quadra Island Trout Derby, Village Bay Lake Adults \$10, Kids \$5

### Saturday, June 18

- Cortes Garden & Studio Tour 9:30 am to 5 pm Tix \$12 ( see page 14)  
- Book signing/launch with Caroline Bridges, Book Bonanza 11am-2 pm

### Saturday, June 25

- Sweet Tease Burlesque, Quadra Legion, Dinner 6:30 pm \$15, Show 8 pm \$10. Dinner + Show \$20

### Sunday, June 26

- Heriot Bay Survivor Sign up at the HBI or Hummingbird

### Wednesday, June 29

- Quadra Island Seniors Housing Society AGM, 7pm QCC

### Friday, July 1

- CANADA DAY!! Celebrations at Rebecca Spit starts at 4 pm  
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**MONDAY, JUNE 20**

# ISLAND FORUM

## To Light the Patriotic Flame?

I am soooo honoured! I have the privilege of being one of three, who after already completing a rather pointless short-form census for the Feds, who are now asked to fill out the brand spanking new National Household Survey! Yeah! At first, I thought it was the Harper government's attempt at humour. But then, I have actually seen Steven Harper speaking. I mean, we were told the long form census had been scrapped due to its invasive nature on the family (read: why would we want accurate statistics that hold us to account for all those government programs we once promised?).

Now, 1 in every 3 is being asked to complete a voluntary survey, to collect some, a really small some, of the helpful comprehensive information that wasn't collected in the short form census. Am I alone, or are you wondering why, after completing a census, should you use up your good time filling out a lengthy questionnaire. I mean, would I really have any problem in helping the Feds save face after their own head of statistics quit, after the decision to scrap the long-form? Of course not (sorry, choking on tongue in cheek)! Of course a survey that no real cross-section of Canadian society is even compelled to return. One that anyone with a real axe to grind can have a hayday with, and one that the Feds themselves actually only hope to get 1 in 10 replying. Now that's accurate information, Harper style. Anyways, why let an opportunity go to waste. I always was jealous of Americans back in the early 70's, having the nerve to enjoy burning their draft cards and flags in protest. So, I've come up with a great idea, if I do say so myself as a humble Canadian. Canada Day is coming up at the Spit on July 1st. And since the Spit picnic area is the only area right now where one can have an outdoor fire. Maybe we could bring our National Surveys down and have a little fire. A little warm get-together. We could have a "burnathon", or better yet.....a thought roast"! Ummm, I can already smell the aroma of dissent. Hey, anyone got a good recipe for Tory on Barbecue sauce? Apply conservatively!  
A proud Canadian,  
Brent Henry

## "Lies, Damned Lies, and Statistics"

This quotation is from Mark Twain many years ago, but is more appropriate today than ever.

One would not expect Statistics Canada to be telling lies. StatsCan, as it is lovingly called, is the federal agency charged with keeping track of important numbers for all Canadians. Among the most important is the "cost of living index", otherwise known as the Inflation Rate. This number tells us how fast our money is losing value. The recent number is 3%, and therein lays the BIG LIE.

A few examples are in order:- Ferry rates have risen by 90% over the last 7 years, and are rising at 8% this year....eye examinations at a CR optometrist have increased 40% over the past 4 years (10% a year). Gasoline (and diesel & propane) have gone up "double digits".....

Despite the advent of WalMart, food prices have been rising at more than 5%.

The HST is another joke - we are now paying 7% more for services and many other items formerly exempt from provincial tax.

There are some unique circumstances on Quadra Island, where our new food market monopoly is selling a can of Campbell's condensed cream of chicken soup for \$1.79, and oranges for \$1.29 to 1.69 that cost 58 cents at all three big grocers in CR. Cartons of a dozen soft drinks go for \$5.99 on Quadra, compared to \$2.99 on sale in "the River". These prices are not just higher; they are double to triple.

Just who are they trying to kid? 3% inflation is a BIG LIE..... phone and email everybody in government you can think of, and tell them that you don't believe in lies about something as vital as our cost of LIVING. The civil service bureaucrats in Ottawa seem to think that Canadians can't do simple mathematics...tell them we are not as stupid as they think we are.

Submitted by Bob Lasby

## Response To: "Island Survivor" of the Hungry Eye

I found it fitting that the Hungry Eye's word of the week for June 1st was "Brazen". The decision to place an "Island Survivor" front and center in a classified paper promoted as being "without prejudice" was aggressive and simply tactless. To single people and their animals out in this community and to take a pointedly rude and biased opinion should NOT be the responsibility of the Hungry Eye. This has led me to lose considerable respect for the paper and to challenge its credibility. I hope that my fellow Quadra Island community members will also question this piece and its reliability; and that when they see Diesel out walking with his owners that they approach him with no preconceived notions about his character.

-Concerned Fellow Dog Owner  
of Quadra Island.

## HST Vote; At Least Know Both Sides Before Voting

The upcoming vote could be more critical than the just-finished provincial election. The amount that it actually affects each household (according to Bill Vanderzalm) is significantly greater.

Do yourself a favour and spent 15 minutes watching this YouTube video and at least see both sides of the issue. If you cannot get the YouTube by clicking on the following site; <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZXu3LXNwEg> then Google "letter to Bill Vanderzalm" and find it.

Get a hot coffee or tea first as it takes 15 minutes. It will be well worth your time.

Al Beattie



# Library Plan Needs Rethink

A group of Islanders calling itself "Friends of Quadra Library" has put together a letter to VIRL Board deploring the lack of public process or consultation with library users in the decision making about the siting of the new library. A delegation will present the letter to the Board at their meeting on June 11.

Anyone interested can contact us at [bpc@connected.bc.ca](mailto:bpc@connected.bc.ca) and request your name can be added to the list of those who support the sentiments expressed in the following letter.

**Ms. Leonard,**  
Chairperson of VIRL, and Board members,

We want to let you know that we, the Friends of the Quadra Library, have held the VIRL in the highest esteem, appreciated your excellent services, and valued your excellent librarians. We have applauded your mission and vision statements which speak to leadership through open communication, team work and cooperation, respect and recognition, stewardship and fiscal integrity, the importance of informed communities, advocacy for the free expression and exchange of information and ideas in a democratic society, and the fostering of partnerships in our communities.

We assumed that this vision applied to us the users of our library. When we learned that changes were coming to our Quadra library, we waited for the announcement of the public process, meetings, discussions. We were anxious to cooperate and be partners with you, eager to hear of possibilities, to learn what the Board saw as important features, to tell you what would work for us and what our priorities are. Together we could have come up with a beautiful library appropriate to Quadra that we could delight in and of which you could also be proud.

Imagine our dismay when your press release informed us that a decision had been made with no public process, no consultation with any local library users as far as any of us can ascertain, and with no consideration for the vital role the library has in Heriot Bay. To add insult to injury, the press release claim that the Board chairman was "Proud of the fair and comprehensive process that was undertaken to find the best location..." is a travesty when no process involving and taking the special needs of the community into consideration was undertaken. Decision making on Quadra Island is traditionally a collaborative effort with public meetings and discussions and brainstorming, as demonstrated by the building of the community hall, development of the community garden, senior's housing, etc.

The process your staff used appeared secretive and hurried, and did not allow an opportunity to make suggestions or discuss alternatives. The decision seemed to have been made without regard for or knowledge of Quadra's uniqueness. To suggest that the proposed siting was good because it was next to public transportation when Quadra has none, and suggesting that it would give improved access to students when they are bussed directly home from the school or ferry, and there would be no alternative transport to get them home, tells us that you have no understanding of life here.

The announcement of your choosing Quadra as the recipient of a substantial increase in funding would have been met with cries of joy and offers of brainstorming to help you find the best ways of using it. We would have asked for more hours of service rather than a lavish facility although, obviously, we do need a bit more space. It is highly unlikely that we would have counselled spending several times the present rent for the library in this time of financial constraints. We are down-to-earth people who value facilities that function well for us, and have no wish for elaborate buildings.

We have loved our little library and proudly brought our visitors to it. It has functioned wonderfully well, as shown by the highest

rural readership in the system, and our library staff are outstanding. This makes the decision to move from a successful location in Heriot Bay hard to understand. There is a wonderful alternative site available in Heriot Bay, the waterfront former Heriot Bay store, a stylish (in an Quadra Island way!) and well loved building with a wonderful view which would require minimal alterations, and which could be the jewel of the VIRL system.

Rather than feeling grateful for improved facilities, we feel betrayed and belittled by the Board's failure to find out how we would like to see our library taxes spent. While we are grateful that the Board is willing to increase funding for Quadra, we are dismayed at your failure to collaborate with us, keep us informed, or to encourage free speech and exchange of information and ideas.

Please, we respectfully ask that you put your plans on hold, rethink this project, and enter into a dialogue with us. We accept that the end result may be the same after proper discussion, but we would then have had our trust in democracy in at least this small corner of the world restored, and you would have lived up to your vision statement.

Sincerely

Friends of Quadra Library



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## Community input please for Quadra Library move and expansion

Dear Ms Bonanno  
and VIRL Board members,

While we are unable to attend the VIRL Board meeting on June 11, 2011 in Nanaimo, we support the request of the Friends of the Quadra Library to delay any move or expansion of our library until a process of community dialogue and joint decision-making by stakeholders has been undertaken by the VIRL Board.

We use the Quadra Library several times a week and are upset by the current plan to relocate the library into larger, more expensive facilities in Quathiaski Cove without consulting us about what we need. We prefer expenditures go to increased staffing and library hours, plus improved resources in a location in the Heriot Bay that is accessible to residents of out-lying islands. At least 3 other options exist in Heriot Bay which would meet our needs much more modestly than the current proposal. We are disappointed that the VIRL, whose services we value so highly in our rural area, has not conducted the due diligence in this instance which we expect from our publicly-funded services.

Please respect your stakeholders and delay any decision about upgrading the Quadra Library until you have met with us to hammer out a mutually agreeable solution to improve the Quadra Library.

Yours sincerely,  
Maureen McDowell  
Frank Boas

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Dear Sir,

At the April 13th, 2011 meeting Jim Abram and the other members of the Electoral Area Services Committee (The relevant committee dealing with the subdivision of DL 208) recommended the word "discouraged" be changed to "strongly discouraged" in the OCP Bylaw No. 94. This change applies to Silviculture lands that are Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR), Tree Farm Licence (TFL) or Private Managed Forest Land (PMFL). Further, the Committee recommended all references to "careful consideration" of re-designation of other Silviculture lands be removed and the policies consolidated as required.

I think this change of wording expressed the feeling of the great majority of those on Quadra who attended and discussed the proposed rezoning of Mr. Schellinck's silviculture land.

However, the Staff @ Regional Board expressed caveats: With regard to the Schellinck land use proposal, the Committee's amendment leaves the application with little possibility of support from the OCP - the application would not be supported under the current language and would be 'strongly discouraged' under the Committee's most recent proposed amendment. As the applicant has requested that appropriate amendments to the OCP and zoning bylaw be considered to allow the project to move forward for consideration, some amendments to the OCP in this regard, would seem appropriate.

The Planning Staff wishes to have proposed OCP wording reversed, so there is no more "strongly discouraged", instead:

Silviculture lands will only be considered for re-designation under exceptional circumstances where the proposal clearly demonstrates the following criteria:

i. the proposal represents a model development that sets a high standard for future land development in the area,

ii. the proposed development and nature of land use is viewed as being of significant value and demonstrates a higher and better use of the land,

iii. significant community value is identified in the proposed development and/or desired amenities provided,

iv. a highest commitment to the protection of environmental attributes of the land base as identified through an environmental assessment and protected through an environmental covenant,

v. a commitment to significant retention of existing forest cover, protected through the registration of vegetation removal covenants,

vi. a commitment to the provision of parks, trails and greenways,

vii. a commitment to a minimum 50% open space provided for through the registration of dedicated building envelopes and/or no build covenants,

viii. the implementation of Best Management Practices, smart growth principles and green building strategies that include water and energy efficiency,

ix. the provision of appropriate services for water and liquid waste is achieved and integrated on-site rainwater management is provided for, and

x. the proposed development is compatible with adjacent land and water uses and natural resource areas, is appropriate for the size of the parcel, of an appropriate scale and does not exceed the carrying capacity of the land.

The RB Staff further states:




If supported, the above amendments will broaden the existing Silviculture policies and provide protection for the re-designation of Silviculture lands to any designation, not only CR or Ru-R proposals as is currently the case. Further, all Silviculture policies will now be located within the Silviculture section as opposed to the Settlement sections of the OCP, improving the underlying logic of the document and providing a more orderly direction of policy.

Surprise Surprise!

Read more: [http://srdws.strathconard.ca/section\\_rdb/agendas.asp?id=2753&collection=6&AgendaType=2&MeetingDate=6/8/2011&MeetingType=75](http://srdws.strathconard.ca/section_rdb/agendas.asp?id=2753&collection=6&AgendaType=2&MeetingDate=6/8/2011&MeetingType=75)

And Click: Bylaw No. 94 - Quadra Island Official Community Plan Bylaw, 2007, Amendment No. 4 (CP 3C 09) and Bylaw No. 95 - Quadra Island Zoning Bylaw, 1990, Amendment No. 99 (RZ 2C 90) - Schellinck a) THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received. [Item]

Yours truly  
George Barabás

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## Found!

Large electric keyboard, stand, and pedals at the corner of Gowlland Harbour Road and West Road on April 17, 2011. If this is yours or if you have information regarding the keyboard please contact Constable MACLEAN at the Quadra Island RCMP quoting file number 2011-184.

## Golf Course Open House

Don't miss the Open House of Quadra Island Golf Course on Sunday, June 12, from 1 to 4 pm. Try your luck at hitting over the pond on the ninth hole, hit some balls on the driving range, have your questions answered, or just have a look around while enjoying a hotdog and a soda. You can sign up for your Founding Membership while you're there. We want to extend a special invitation to all our new members to come by and see the progress on the course and receive a gift from QIGC. It's located at 950 Heriot Bay Road (the intersection of Heriot Bay Road and Pine Tree Drive). See you on the course!

## Quadra Island Fun Family Movie Night!

The Quadra Island Branch of Coastal Community Credit Union is proud to be the Major Sponsor for an **Outdoor Family Movie Night** to be held at Blenkin Field on July 29th. Mark your calendars for an evening of family friendly cinema under the stars! Attendance will be by donation, all proceeds to go to **Discovery Island Emergency Preparedness Association**. Coastal Community Credit Union Employees will be selling Hot Dogs at various locations throughout the summer to raise funds for this event. Please come look for us at the Quadra Island Golf Course Open House on June 12th.

## Play Ball??

How about coming out and playing ball? Little or no experience needed! We need gals!!! Slo-Pitch is fun. Call Marie 250-285-3591

## Quadra Trout Derby

Reminder it's derby time again! 46th Annual Quadra Island Trout Derby, June 18th- 19th, Village Bay Lake. Registration until Sunday 12:00. Adults \$10.00 15 & under \$5.00, fun, food & prizes! Come support this family event, proceeds to Quadra Elementary P.A.C.

## Curly Eastland Bursary Application For Financial Assistance

Scholarship funds are available to members and the children of members of the Quadra Island or Cortes Island Community Branch of Coastal Community Credit Union. Applicants must be grade 12 high school graduates or mature students planning post-secondary education. Applications are available at the Quadra and Cortes Branches and must be received at the Quadra or Cortes branch by July 30, 2011 at 5:00pm. Submissions accepted by mail fax or email.

## Summer-Rec. Is Coming!

Remember-- the Community Centre will have another exciting mix of dance, art, science and sports activities for kids of all ages this summer. Look for the Summer Recreation brochure coming out in late June. Pre- register one week in advance to ensure the class you want, runs.

## Quadra's Got Talented Kids!

## Canada Day Talent Show

If you have a child or teenager who would be interested in performing on stage ( or in front of it if that works better) at July 1 Canada Day Celebrations, at Rebecca Spit, please contact Judy Hagen 285 2150 or Betty Doak 285 3590 for details.

## Alcoholic Anonymous

~ Quadra Island Chapter has moved their 8 pm friday meeting from Cape Mudge United Church to Quadra Children's Center. Everyone Welcome. call 250-285-3152

## Quadra Legion Br # 154 presents

## Sweet Tease Burlesque

Saturday June 25, 2011, Quadra Legion Hall. Dinner 6:30 pm \$15.00, Show 8:00 pm \$10.00. Dinner and Show \$20.00

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## After Canada Day Party

The Legion is having a Canada Day after party featuring all Canadian music. Starting after the Rebecca Spit Celebration until 1:00am. Come enjoy this fun free event!

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For more info., check out:  
www.theishayafoundation.org  
email contact@theishayafoundation.org  
or call 1 888-474-2921.

## New treats and old favourites are in store June 25 and June 26 during the annual Campbell River Garden and Art Tour.

There are thirteen gardens on offer this  
year, eight of which are new to the tour. As  
always, you'll find an inspiring mix of styles,  
plantings and sizes of gardens, from Jack Oja's  
sweeping borders that overlook Discovery  
Passage to urban pocket gardens loaded with  
individuality. In the latter category is Jan Tees'  
garden, where she's retained mature plants in a  
newly created design. Reta Davis, a returning  
highlight, has used whimsical "found objects"  
to add charm to her city lot. As in the past,  
you'll find artists at work in some of the  
gardens, to capture the scene.

Among the larger gardens is that of Laurie  
Jensen and Eldon Brown, another returning  
favourite. Laurie and Eldon's one-acre  
property was laid out using Feng Shui to  
create harmony and their home was designed  
to fit into this setting, with views into lush  
garden "rooms," backed by forested trails.

A new feature this year is a tour of the gardens  
on Sunday, June 26 by bicycle with 'Joy Rides'  
cycle tours. Participants can bring their own  
bike or rent one from Island Joy Rides. Tickets  
are \$40 (if you have your own bike) or \$50  
with a bicycle rental. This includes your guides  
(who are enthusiastic gardeners), a delicious  
catered lunch and your garden tour ticket. Call  
250-830-8522 to register.

Or you can opt to take the tour by bus at  
\$18 per person. Call the City's Community  
Centre to book your spot at 250-286-1161.  
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Tickets for the self-guided Garden &  
Art Tour are \$15 per person, with proceeds  
supporting our fall children's program. You  
can purchase tickets at the Gallery (open  
10-5 p.m., Monday to Saturday), at the  
Visitor Info Center (open six days per week)  
or at the Willows Market. Call the Gallery  
for more info at 250-287-2261 or check our  
website: www.crartgallery.ca. Your ticket  
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## Quadra Island Farmers Market & Bazaar

welcomes everyone to this years community market. The market is located behind the Credit Union in Quathiaski Cove and takes place every Saturday (rain or shine) between 10am and 2pm from May 7th to Sept. 10th.

We would like to welcome all our regular vendors as well as any new ones who would like to join in. We would especially like to see more locally grown produce. But keep all your arts and crafts coming. Tourists and locals love them.

We will continue on with a first come first serve basis and the gate will open at 8am for set up. Market parking is accessed from Green Road. **Please note the main Credit Union parking lot is available for Credit Union customers only.**

To set up a table is still only \$5.00. Children under 16 it is \$1.00 a table. They must sell their own articles though. Local community and charitable organizations will not be charged.

Visitors welcome! Come and enjoy our local market. This is where it's happening on Saturdays on Quadra Island. Arts, crafts, food, produce, music, entertainers, and souvenirs galore!

**We strongly discourage dogs at the market.** If you have no choice make sure it is on a leash and of course pick up after your pet and don't let them too near the booths.

Thanks for your interest and cooperation. Contacts are:

Stella 250-285-3184 --  
Naomi 250-285-2979 --  
quadramarket@gmail.com

## Cortes Literacy Cortes Skills Centre a project of Cortes Literacy

June is "Befriending Your Computer" Month at the Skills Centre. On June 19th, join Om Beech, Twincomm's Wi-Fi Tech, for a Mac and PC Clinic. Learn about making your computer more user-friendly, computer clean-up, anti-virus software and internet browser options. On June 26th, Coreen will be available for a PC Clinic to cover basics such as file management, attachments, short-cut keys, etc. Both days: 10:30 - 4 at Manson's Hall. Register in advance!! Minimum donation of \$5/30mins. Post rides wanted/offered on cortesland.com Ridershare. For subsidized childcare, book a week in advance. To register: cortesliteracy@gmail.com or 935-0152.

## Cortes Road Works

As of Tuesday May 31, 2011 the sod removal phase of the road improvements is well underway and will conclude Friday June 3, 2011. Starting Monday June 6, 2011 the existing road surface is being reclaimed and re-profiled. Reclaiming and re-profiling will be completed over the next 3 weeks. During this time we ask the travelling public to work with us by obeying all construction speed zones, traffic control signage, and traffic control personnel. We advise that everyone plans their travels with lots of extra time, expect delays, and use alternate routes when available. We will strive to accommodate traffic to and from the ferry.

Your patience and cooperation is much appreciated. Thank you for working with us in improving the network of roads on Cortes Island.

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## Celebrate BC shellfish during World Oceans Month

**Festival provides venue for farmers and chefs to present sustainably raised BC shellfish to the public**

COMOX, BC- June is World Oceans Month, designated by the UN to bring attention to the ocean's inhabitants, its importance as a resource to protect and the bounty it provides. There could be no better place to celebrate than the BC Shellfish Festival. Meet a farmer and savour the freshness of the sea while enjoying the best BC has to offer in live music and culinary demonstrations during an unforgettable day. **On Saturday, June 18 in Comox Marina Park from noon to 10pm**, guests will be immersed in all things shellfish, a unique opportunity to taste and learn more about sustainably grown BC shellfish.

Live music from the Luke Blu Guthrie Band, Nanaimo's Skagway and the popular Blackberry Wood from Vancouver will take the stage throughout the festival day. Cooking demo's will be offered by top chefs including Jonathan Chovancek, chef on CBC's Village on a Diet, providing culinary tips from the pros on preparing BC shellfish products like sea cucumber, geoduck, mussels, oysters and scallops.

The BC Shellfish Festival is nonprofit event highlighting the province of British Columbia's shellfish farmers and chefs. To learn more about the 2011 BC Shellfish Festival visit [www.bcshellfishfestival.ca](http://www.bcshellfishfestival.ca), become a fan at [facebook.com/bcshellfishfestival](http://facebook.com/bcshellfishfestival) or follow us on [twitter.com/BCSFestival](http://twitter.com/BCSFestival)

## Transition Health & Education Group

Since the last large Transition meeting our group has met twice.

Some positive developments that have evolved are:

A pilot outdoor adventure day camp to be offered to children 10-14 years old through the Quadra Recreation Society.

A committee to explore the possibilities of Quadra Elementary becoming a Community School; including a community garden/orchard.

Working together with Quadra Circle (an active group of elders) to encourage friendships and mentorships between elders and youngsters on Quadra.

An expression of interest in revisiting the concept of creating an assisted living facility on Quadra.

If you would like more information or want to become involved please contact Sheldon @ 285-3626

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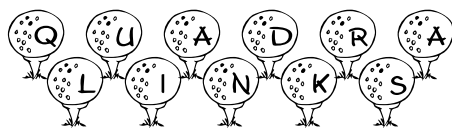
## Update

Not that we want to hurry the summer along, but Quadra's Fall Fair is now less than three months away. Any day now, your Fall Fair Event and Exhibit Catalogue should be arriving in your mailbox. In it, you will be able to browse through all of the fair's great offerings and plan how you would like to participate. There are so many ways to be involved.

The Fall Fair will be showcasing what is available right here on our island doorstep. If you are an island artisan, have an island business or offer a community service that you would like to promote, you will be able to set up your tent and/or table on the fair grounds. Find further details and registration forms in the Event and Exhibit Catalogue on how you can become part of this island village.

If you are curious about Quadra's upcoming Fall Fair, or would like to be part of an energetic group of islanders who are working to make this event fabulous, fun and informative, please come on out and meet other fair enthusiasts at the Community Centre on June 21st at 7 pm. Here you will have a chance to see how the fair is structured, talk with the team leaders and discover how you too can volunteer. In the meantime, now that the days are longer and the weather warmer, head on out to the garden and plant those beans!

[www.quadraisland.ca/fall-fair](http://www.quadraisland.ca/fall-fair)



## Meet a Founding Member

Bill and Joy Bird have a mixed marriage - Bill's a golfer, while Joy has yet to add that title to her resume. Both are happy to be Founding Members and are avidly anticipating the opening of the golf course next spring. Joy is quick to add that being a member of Quadra Island Golf Club means that her beginner lessons will be provided by "a capable, impartial instructor other than my husband!"

**WHY DID YOU BUY A FOUNDING MEMBERSHIP?** JOY: First of all, because it's a great investment in the community. It's an opportunity to introduce another sport to young people on Quadra. It's also another activity for visitors to the island. For example, if several couples come here whose main objective is sport fishing, perhaps some of them might choose to do something on land rather than fish for several days with their spouse. Something that is a cheaper alternative, like golf and lunch with their women friends! It's another way to stay physically active, outdoors and I don't have to take a ferry. When my family was young, I couldn't bring myself to start golf because I couldn't afford a whole day to have lessons at a regular interval. With a course on Quadra, it will be way easier. BILL: It's important to support the course. It's going to be pretty nice to have a great facility just down the road.

## WHAT IS YOUR GOLFING HISTORY?

JOY: My only golf-associated memory is walking around Sunnyside with my girlfriend when I was 10 years old as her parents played golf. I went along with them several times. I thought it was great to be outside. The golfing part didn't really make an impression, though. BILL: I've gone two to five times a year, for 15 years. They better be ready for my divots.

## WHAT ARE YOUR GOLFING GOALS?

JOY: I'm looking forward to beginner lessons, hopefully with a few of my 60 year old peers. I could throw down the gauntlet and say "peers from aerobics or my walking group" who enjoy being outside and active beyond the age of 60.

BILL: To spend more days on the golf course than I have been, and maybe a few evenings now, too. I'd like to add a few more memorable shots to what I have now, and improve my golf slightly.

## WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO GET OUT OF HAVING A MEMBERSHIP?

JOY: To continue to be active at 60-plus, and meet more like-minded people who want to enjoy a new activity and have fun with it. I don't expect to become the golf pro at 60 that I might have been at 15!

BILL: I expect to not have to set aside a whole day to go to Campbell River to enjoy a game of golf. I expect it to be more social and to be able to golf more with people I know.

JOY: I want to stress what an asset I think the golf course is to Quadra. Just as we all meet and make friends with other families when our children are small, the golf course will be another place for families with young children to meet. It will add a little more employment on the island. It's another activity that Bill and I can do with our four kids [two daughters and their husbands]. They've already been out to the driving range with Bill. Rod [their golf pro son-in-law from London] found the driving range rather "quaint".

BILL: I think we owe a big thanks to the committee for their time and effort they've put into planning. From what I've seen, they've done it right, and it's been a big commitment. We're going to have a quality golf course when it opens.

JOY: By getting in as a Founding Member, we all start as beginners together and at same level of incompetence. People should join now so you don't have to start by yourself later!

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# MAY Queen Speech

by Jane Katherine Nighswander

I welcome you all to May Day 2011 !

My name is Jane Katherine Nighswander and I would like to introduce my court: My escort , River McDonnell and the three Princess's Alexis Verschuur and her escort Skylar Teneycke , Antonia Czerwinski and her escort Jarred Alps and Aquilina Mitchell and her escort Thomas Fluckiger.

I have lived on Quadra Island all my life. In a world so filled with trouble I feel fortunate to be growing up in such a special place.

I love Quadra Island ! I love the people , I love the community and I love May Day with all its fun, festivities and memories. Oh the memories!

I was a wild thing once on the Quadra Kids Float.....and you know what? ..... I still am !! I twirled and weaved as a May Pole dancer.....I ran like the wind in all the races!! But I've yet to conquer.....the Grease Pole !!

With every year comes a new theme.....we have been in the air!.....we have been in the water!.....and now we are in our gardens!.....our Gardens of Delight !! Have you planted your cabbages yet ?!

We all take great pride in our gardens and farms on Quadra Island. Speaking of farms.....could you imagine this beautiful place we know as Rebecca Spit was once Maxwell's Chicken Ranch! They were listed in the Heriot Bay directory as chicken fanciers!

The spirit of May Day has come to life once again! Through fabulous costumes, fantasy floats and a coming together of this creative community !

This why I love Quadra Island ! Enjoy May Day 2011 !

Thank you !!



## Creative Spaces -- Gardens & Studios On Cortes Island

Saturday, June 18, 2011 9:30 am - 5:00 pm  
(rain or shine)

Two wonderful events in one sponsored by the Cortes Museum. Walk through unique, private & beautiful gardens plus a chance to view creative environments of island artists -- potters, print makers, woodworkers, painters & a scent maker. Purchase an antique rose bush at a nursery with a full range of plants. Visit the 60+ year old gardens & home of writer Gilean Douglas. Enjoy an interactive exhibition at the Old SchoolHouse Gallery -- the place you have forgotten at the bottom of the garden!

Great opportunity for both garden and art lovers to view these gorgeous & CREATIVE SPACES on glorious Cortes Island. Make it a day of gardens, art and lunch -- an experience to nourish the soul and the senses.

LUNCH is available at the Floathouse at Gorge Harbour Marina, Trude's Cafe, Squirrel Cove Restaurant, Hollyhock (no reservation needed June 18), Manson's Market Deli & the Take-Out. Bring your own PICNIC to enjoy at Channel Rock, on ocean beaches at Smelt Bay or Manson's Lagoon, on Hague Lake beach, or in the Museum's Heritage Garden where refreshments will be served all day.

Off islanders should catch the 8:30 am ferry from Campbell River to connect with the 9:05 am ferry from Heriot Bay to Cortes. The LAST ferry leaves from Cortes at 5:50 pm.

Tickets: \$12 per person On sale at Cortes stores (Manson's, Squirrel Cove, Gorge Harbour), Hollyhock, Craft Store, Cortes Museum & Friday Markets at Manson's. Also available after first ferry only at corner of Seavista Road, 9:30 to 10:00 am on June 18th. All proceeds support Cortes Museum Public Education Programs. More information at Cortes Museum 250-935-6340.

## Discover Quadra

Join us for Discover Quadra, on Quadra Island, June 11 and 12, 2011, 10 am till 4 pm each day.

This will be a great opportunity to see what Quadra Island offers you and your guests. Visit accommodation providers, activity operators, artists and others to discover the Spirit of the Island.

Pick up a Schedule and Map from one of the various locations (listed below) for your own self-guided tour of the island. Participants will welcome you in various ways: with an Open House, a tour, a discount, a coupon, perhaps some tea and snacks....and always, a warm welcome and opportunity to visit and have your questions answered.

Enter a draw for a Grand Prize Package at each location you visit, just fill in an entry form for the draw. The more places you visit, the more chances you have to win the Grand Prize!

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- 1 night accommodation, breakfast, and dinner at Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge
- 1 fused glasswork item from Long John Silver Glassworks
- 1 couples massage from Rejuvenation through Bodywork
- Half-day tour with Quadra Island Kayaks

Consider extending your visit to include Rebecca Spit Provincial Park, the Lighthouse, the lakes, or to hike and bike some of the many trails. Bring your camera or sketchbook to record the island beauty.

The schedule and map will be available at the Campbell River Tourist Information Center in Tyee Plaza near the ferry, on the Ferry to Quadra Island, the Visitor Information Center on Quadra beside the CC Credit Union, both Post Offices, Whiskey Point Resort, Quadra Island Building Supply, Heriot Bay Inn, Tsa-Kwa-Luten Lodge, and SouthEnd Farm Vineyards.

Any questions, phone Susan at 250-285-2556. We look forward to seeing you!

## At the Good 'OL HBI

**Friday June 24; Go Dog Go!** Beach blanket music to rock your night! **Saturdays; Open Mike with Mo** 9:00pm to midnight. **Sundays; Country jam** with Steve Trayler 3:00 to 6:00pm. **Thursdays; Blakes encounters of the karaoke kind.** Music abounds in the HBI Pub.

We're watching hockey on the HBI's 8' screen and 3 tv's. **Canucks Hockey Games** supersede HBI events. Some events may be a little late or early. We love hockey at the good old HBI!

**2nd annual Lusciously Loka Fashion Show Sunday June 12.** Herons at the Heriot Bay Inn. 6:00 seating, 6:30 serving 7:30ish show. \$35.00+tax includes a fabulous buffet dinner. Tickets are selling fast! at Loka or HBI. 285-3322

The **Cancerian** character is the least clear-cut of all those associated with the signs of the zodiac. It can range from the timid, dull, shy and withdrawn to the most brilliant, and famous. Cancerians are to be found through the whole range of human activity... **Your zodiac Party awaits. HBI. June 25. 9:00pm.**

**Blackberry Wood** at the HBI; **Friday June 17, 9:00 pm.** \$10.00 includes drink ticket. Dance the night away to old time country gypsy circus fun!

**Ryans Monday Night music bingo** starts **June 13 in the HBI pub.** Always fun and games at the good old HBI! Prizes and good times. 9:00pm

**Discovery Islands Chamber Music Festival.** July 14 to 17. The HBI presents two dinner concerts and one brunch concert. Saturday will see a gala evening concert at the Community Centre. Four wonderful events hosted by Philip Hansen with friends. Phillip has inspired audiences on four continents with concerts that cross an array of genres. He is currently the Principal Cellist of the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra. Tickets available at the Heriot Bay Inn, Hummingbird and the Music Plant.

**4th annual Heriot Bay Survivor** is coming Sunday June 26! Sign up at the HBI or Hummingbird and receive your first task; fundraising for our new Quadra Theatre Group. Start now! \$200.00 value in prizes. Fun for all ages. 10.00 entry fee.

**Dad's day** is just around the corner, June 19. Take him out for a delicious T-bone steak dinner in Herons, it will be a treat for the whole family! Reservations recommended 250-285-3322

**Photo Contest Winners;** HBI first prize dinner for two in Herons - Frank Boas. I blew it glass studio first prize glass blowing class - Scott Low. Tied for second prize \$20.00 HBI Bucks each - Julie Rigby and Buffy Bye. Photos on display at the Inn. Thanks everyone for participating!

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I remember my first meeting...the true sceptic...cloaked in armour inches thick prepared to defend my false impressions without compromise and to uphold my long established understanding of strength without deviation. A warm glow appeared at the top of the stairs and a bright ray of sunshine streaming through the door eased my straining to assert my strength and encouraged my intrigue. My first step forward is the best step I have made in many years and I now feel more alive then I understood to be possible!

My journey like yours is individual, soul searching, exciting, passionate, hilarious and life changing forever forward from moment one. It is through hard work, perseverance and compassion that each one of us has an opportunity to grow and remind our now truly open minds who we were at birth. I have learned that it is our ability to learn, grow and find compassion, find love that awakens our true human spirit and our incessant need to smile.

Tucker Dinnes is an amazing ray of light, she is the never ending glow that we see from within ourselves once allowing for hard work to shed fear leading to change. I thank her for her dedication, her professional manner and her earth shattering ability to allow for a giggle from behind even the thickest of armour.

Tucker I thank you for your grace~

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## Ska Invasion Continues

Ska beats return to the Legion on Friday, July 8th when Solid presents Dub Killer Combo and Klaxon.

Dub Killer Combo hail from Bogota, Colombia and play a blend of drum & bass, reggae, and dub.

They draw inspiration from artists such as Congo Natty, Dub Pistols, and Lee Perry. Dub Killer Combo sing songs in Patois, English, Spanish, and French.

Their rich international sound has lead them to be named one of reggae's top acts touring today.

The Klaxon was officially founded in 2000, with a mix of ska and reggae, and nuances of different genres such as Bolero, Cumbia, Murga, Latin rock and Salsa.

With ten years of experience The Klaxon, has been nominated for best ska band in the Shock awards, has been participated in three editions of Festival Rock al Parque (2001, 2002 and 2009) the Rastazo (2002 and 2008) and in different ska- reggae festivals throughout Columbia.

[www.reverbNation.com/dubkillercombo](http://www.reverbNation.com/dubkillercombo)

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## Seniors Housing News AGM

Quadra Seniors Housing AGM will be on Wednesday June 29th at the community centre 7pm in the main hall. The Board will have financial statements prepared for review by Society members. Mark this date on your calendar, and attend the general meeting to learn the details of the last year of construction. The new housing is a success, and the Board of Directors are very thankful to the community for all of their support. An election of Directors will take place at the annual general meeting.



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# Fixing ferry fares

NEWS RELEASE – from the Ferry Advisory Committee Chairs (FACC)

27 MAY 2011 – The Ferry Advisory Committee Chairs (FACC) welcome the partial relief from escalating ferry fares announced this week by Transportation Minister Blair Leckstrom.

But the drop from 8.23 to 4.15 percent in next year's fare hike doesn't touch recent increases, nor fix the fare problem in the long term. Neither will the new ferry review, unless it takes on the issue of public policy and government support for ferries.

"We applaud the fact that for the first time a minister has echoed the consistent call to address both affordability and sustainability, and that the commissioner will review this difficult balancing act," says Tony Law of Hornby-Denman FAC. "But it isn't enough to stop the damage to communities, ferry users or the ferry service itself."

The partial rollback won't feel like relief when people board a ferry this summer.

Ferries will cost 17 percent more than they did last summer -- what with the end of a fuel rebate, the addition of a fuel surcharge, and the annual fare increase that took effect last month.

In the long term, coastal residents and visitors will continue to see annual increases on top of the current untenable fares. Not only are the high fares painful on their own, they add to the costs of goods and services, over and above the increases experienced by all British Columbians.

"We're near, maybe beyond, crisis level in some parts of our communities and it's going to get much worse if we don't reverse what's been happening," says Brian Hollingshead of the Southern Gulf Islands FAC.

The FACC recommend to government that it consider freezing fares for the final three years of the next contract term, for these reasons:

- Damage to families, communities and the ferry service would result from continuing fare increases, given that fares climbed by multiples of the CPI in the past eight years;
- Economic benefits would be generated by investing in coastal transportation infrastructure;
- Stronger government support of coastal transportation would be consistent with its support for other essential transportation infrastructure in British Columbia.

Additionally, the FACC ask the ferry commission to consider the role of government as part of its review of the affordability and sustainability of ferry service.

And while ferry users and ferry-dependent communities await the outcome of the review, the FACC ask them to let the government and commission know how current ferry fares affect them.

# Quadra Island Seniors- B.C.O.A.P.O.--Br. 91

Summer is finally here. Flowers to plant, and grass to mow. Our last meeting for the summer, was fun, Anna Guthrie, from Merville with the help of Mr. Guthrie, brought 3 border collies, who were all very anxious to get into the action of herding. The Seniors were very interested in the intelligent dogs. We had a special day for Fathers, and Bob Lasby won the Fathers Day draw. All the Fathers recieved Apple or Peach Cider or a Cooler. We celebrated a special Birthday for Daphne Young and Lloyd McIlwain. All the birthdays for June, July, & August, were also recognized. We are very sorry to be losing two familys Nick & Pauline Zapp who have moved to Langley, and Marie & Pat Brown who are moving to Oliver soon, a Potluck Dinner will be held at the Legion on June 11th, for the Browns, come and say Good-Bye to the very happy pair. Both these familys have been very active with the branch and our activities. Many Excursions are planned for the summer, contact Ruth @ 3801 if you are interested. Memberships are available contact Christine @ 2207 or Ruth @ 3801. Our two delegates Ann Lawrence & Christine Dyson, will be attending The B.C.O.A.P.O. Annual General Meeting on the 12th in Agassiz. They have had direction by the members how to vote on the many Resolutions, which can make lives better for Seniors. We have three more new members. We will be attending the Regional Pot-Luck Picnic in Black Creek at Halbe Hall. We are to wear a favourite hat, Mexican, Hawaiian, Fishing hat, or what have you. There will be games & prizes too. We have been very busy welcoming people, at the Tourist Info. Booth by the Credit Union, we are open from 10:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. Thanks to all the people who are helping us man the booth. We welcome Visitors from Europe, Asia, America, Canada etc. To the businesses make sure we have your Brochures or cards, contact Manager Judy @ 2150. If you need help with having your advertising in the booth. We had many people visiting the booth for the Quadra Art Tour, on June 4th & 5th. Thank-you. from the Seniors for all your support.



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# The Hogweed Cometh!! Giant Hogweed (Heracleum mantegazzianum)

I was recently contacted by two people in the Heriot Bay area about Giant Hogweed which has appeared on their property. This plant was originally introduced as a spectacular and unusual garden plant which has unfortunately proved to be an invasive species. It has obviously spread as far as Quadra Island. It can grow in shade, sun, ditches, waste ground, in fact just about anywhere. It will reach its maximum height (5 – 6m) in about 4 years. The flower head can be around 1m across and it will produce on average 50 000 seeds a season. The seeds can be carried in the wind for up to 3 days so it can spread over long distances. The seeds are viable for 15 years. I first saw a specimen in a garden last year on the Campbell River Garden Tour. It was spectacular but the gardener was persuaded to remove it immediately after the tour. It is already present along some stream banks in Campbell River. The reason to be really concerned about this plant, besides it being an alien species, is that the sap is dangerously phytotoxic. The leaves and stem produce a sap which if it gets onto your skin, can cause a severe rash, burn, blisters and dermatitis when exposed to light. If you get the sap in your eyes, it can blind you. Broom is benign compared to this plant.

We also have on Quadra the native Cow Parsnip (Heracleum lanatum) but it only grows to about 2m maximum. There is a large patch of it at the bottom of Smith Rd. in flower at the moment. If you are not sure which one you have then check out: [www.invasiveplantcouncil.bc.ca/publications/TIPS/Giant\\_Hogweed\\_TIPS.pdf](http://www.invasiveplantcouncil.bc.ca/publications/TIPS/Giant_Hogweed_TIPS.pdf)

There are good photographs of the flower head and leaves as well as lots of valuable information. This site will also direct you to other sites including Work Safe BC where you will find out how to remove the plant safely. Please for the safety of yourself and other islanders, let us keep the island free of Giant Hogweed. I hate to think of a child pulling off a leaf to make a peashooter out of the hollow stem.

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them dearly and all that they have given to this Island in the last 30

or more years. Join in on a potluck dinner June 11 @ 6:30 P.M. at the

Quadra Legion. Every one welcome

## Our school will be changing....

On June 21st, there will be a farewell / goodbye assembly to honor our retiring teachers; Dorian North, Diana McKerracher and Jack Mar as well as our custodian, James Almond. We will also take the opportunity to say goodbye to Helen Lee. We will begin with an assembly at 1:30pm in the Quadra School Gym, and follow with a coffee reception. Please RSVP by Monday June 20th to Josie at 285-3385.

## Buddhist Meditation

Meditation is the art of getting to know yourself better by cultivating self-awareness in silence. Buddhist Meditation is just watching the breath & the five senses & the thoughts in the mind as they pass on by. One becomes witness, an observer of oneself, like looking in a mirror. Come meditate with us for 30 minutes on Sundays at 10 a.m. in Spirit Books at the Upper Realm in Q. Cove. Just 10 minutes of collective reading & chanting are followed by a half hour meditation. Then we have tea & cookies and finally a reading and discussion group on the "Eight Mindful Steps to Happiness." We finish before noon. Call Steve Moore or Danielle Girard at 285-3323 for more information.

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# WRITER'S BLOCK

By Mitsy Walters

## *A Novel Beginning*

I have lived my life 360° in the wrong direction.

Wilson sat back from his monitor and looked at the sentence. He liked it. It smelled faintly of sagacity, but it had enough irony in it to give it strength. The only trouble was he didn't quite know what it meant. 180° in the wrong direction was something he could understand. That meant you when you arrived at the T intersection you chose the road heading to bags of money instead of choosing the road to famous poet. 90° he could understand as well. That was choosing to be a fireman like your dad instead of being a cop, which was what you really wanted to do, or marrying Melinda instead of her sister Maria. Small angles? Well, that was life wasn't it? Nobody walked through life 0° in the wrong direction. But what did 360° mean?

Did going past 180° mean you were turning back in the right direction or was it helical... a giant screw of wrongness that drilled you so deep into wrongness that you could never get right? He closed his eyes and thought about the kind of people this would apply to. Religious fanatics were the first group to come to mind. Lawyers and politicians made the list. He wrote doctors on his mental slate but wiped them off shortly afterward. Wilson then proceeded to waste another twenty of his writing time minutes by fantasizing about writing little cards to all the people he didn't like with 'you are living your life 360° in the wrong direction' on the inside. What would he put on the front? He did a quick google image search for the Wyrn Ouroboros. When he came back out of his happy place Wilson had decided it had to be helical. It wasn't that he was worried about the hypocrisy of writing about redemptive characters. It wasn't even that he found people walking in the right direction to be boring at best and sanctimonious at worst. It was that somewhere deep inside he found redemption to be morally repugnant.

Wilson returned his attention to his monitor. He had his first sentence. No, it was less than that. He had a sentence. A good first

sentence was important, and here again Wilson's mind slowly began to slide. He was in the future where someone just like him had just opened a book of famous first lines and was reading 'I have lived my life 360° in the wrong direction.' He jerked his attention back just as he was wondering if the book cited his real name or his pen name. The problem with keeping it as his first line was that it didn't give him any idea about the second line. A story was much easier to write if the sentences helped out. If you started with 'A shot rang out,' then you knew somewhere there was a gun and probably a body. Once again Wilson's mind slid down the long slide of the tangent to wonder why a person was a person until they were dead and then it was a body. 'That's why we created heaven,' he thought, 'to store all the people until bodies became available.' It wasn't far from there to imagining the entire human race as bumper cars wildly careening into each other with love and hate. His tangent ride ended as his head bounced up off his chest. He stood up and wandered down stairs to get a snack. Half way down his dog, Orson, telepathically suggested that maybe his opening line was his Rosebud. That was bad news and really bad news. Bad, because it meant he hadn't started his book at all, might even be a bit in the hole. And it was really bad because it meant the story would be one of those tedious character driven books. Writing one of those books was like sharing your apartment with an assortment of people you didn't like, who took up all your time, but didn't help out with the rent. He gave Orson a cookie, scratched his ears by way of a thank you for the help and went back upstairs. So, if it wasn't a Rosebud line what kind of line was it?

Maybe it was suggesting a mood rather than an action. 360° in the wrong direction hinted at a small, dark, cheap rooming house and a bottle of rye. That wasn't going to work either. Rye and rooming house was a short story. Besides, Wilson liked to think of his characters as blythe. He had read the word in a Shelly poem and had liked it. He

didn't quite know what it meant and he had studiously avoided looking it up simply because he didn't think he could bear having to throw the word away because it was 90° in the wrong direction.

Maybe the problem was that it was in the first person. Wilson changed it to he. Then he changed it to she. He put the I back in and moved the whole sentence to the middle of the book. That was worse. As a first sentence all he had to do was continue on. In the middle he had to go both ways. He'd been working on the sentence for two hours. No way he was throwing it out now.

'Put yourself in the character.' What would he do if he suddenly realized he was living his life 360° in the wrong direction? No amount of thinking would allow Wilson to inhabit such a person. Hope was Wilson's invisible friend. Every night from 7 till 9, except for his Friday card game, Wilson worked on one or another of his opuses (opi?). In the first few years he practiced being humble about his writing almost as much as he wrote. Now he was resigned to being posthumously famous.

He checked his watch. Ten minutes left. He had become inertial. Was there a god of inertia? He promised himself to look it up in nine minutes. Who would the parents of inertia be? Aphrodite and Atlas. Seven minutes. Wilson wrote the first thing that came into his head. 'He put the gun back down on the table.' That had possibilities. Was it a detective who put the gun back down after checking it for clues? People liked brooding detectives. Was it a hit man. Maybe a hit woman. People liked strong women characters but Wilson didn't like the idea of living with a hit woman in his head for the next year or so. A frustrated writer toying with suicide? No, Wilson didn't have time for the giver-uppers.

Maybe the gun was pointed 360° in the wrong direction. No, that was just plain stupid. Times up! Wilson left the gun on the table and went down to watch the end of hockey game.

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While a couple of decades are a drop in the ocean when reflecting on the history that has been wrought on these shores and waters, celebrating the twentieth anniversary of Tsa-Kwa-Luten certainly signals that the Lodge is now very much a part of that lore.

On Sunday, June 5 the Lodge hosted a 20th Anniversary luncheon to mark the occasion. Chief Ralph Dick, Hereditary Chief Don Assu, Chief Robert Joseph from Alert Bay along with members of the Tsa-Kwa-Luten Board of Directors, MLA Claire Trevena and other dignitaries were on hand to enjoy a fine, delicious meal and local wine served with the friendly hospitality that the Lodge has become renowned for.

The attendees arrived, mingled and were seated. Chief Robert Joseph began with a Kwakwaka'wakw prayer. Chief Ralph Dick recounted some of the early history and planning for the Lodge "Our Elders saw that the good times we had enjoyed from fishing were ending and had the vision to look for new opportunities" he recalled. "Don Assu met with the band council and decided they could raise the money".

It was a slow start as for two years the representative from the Ministry of Indian Affairs stalled progress. Finally after hiring a lobbyist the Minister herself visited and things began to roll. In 1991 after over a year of construction Tsa-Kwa-Luten opened its doors to welcome its first guests.

Slowly but surely the Lodge built its reputation on excellent customer service and developing a solid team of longterm staff. Today General Manager Carol Ann Terreberry points to that as being one of their keys to success. "The Board of Directors are great to work with" she said "And we have quite the staff team. Our head housekeeper, front desk manager, head chef and maintenance have all been here over 13 years".



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