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- Every Sunday**
 -Winter Market
 1:00-3:00 p.m. Community Centre
- Oct. 23, Fri**
 -Friday Flicks Ma Vie En Rose
 7:30 pm Community Centre
- 23 & 24 Sat.**
 -Howlin' Dogs
 Lodge
 8:00 pm Tsa-Kwa-Luten
- Oct. 25, Sun**
 -Benefit Bottle Drive
 10:30 am Community Centre
- Oct 31, Sat**
 -Fireworks & Bonfire
 8:30 pm Community Centre

-Halloween Dance
 Legion Canadian
 9:00 pm
- Nov. 4, Wed**
 -Flu Inoculations
 Legion Canadian
 12:30 pm
- Nov. 6, Fri**
 -Friday Flicks Chinese Box
 Centre Community
 7:30 pm

-We'll Meet Again
 Gorge Hall, Cortes
 8:00 pm
- Nov. 7, Sat**
 -We'll Meet Again
 8:00 pm Community Centre
- **Nov 10, Tues**
 Flying Boat Stations.
 7:30pm. CR Museum

News & Events

Super Soup Workshop

In this 2 hour workshop, local chef Linda Gray will give hands-on instruction for essential stock making techniques. As well she will produce 2 gourmet soups: East African Sweet Pea and Pasta e Fagioli. Bring your apron and your tupperware! Sunday October 25th 7-9 p.m. at the Community Centre. Fee \$15, to register call Linda at 285-2171 (please leave a message)

Book your table now!

Book your table now for the upcoming **Christmas Craft Fair, Dec. 5, Sat. 10am-2pm** in the Quadra Elementary School Gym. This will be a P.A.C. fundraiser \$20.00 per table call Sheri **285-2897**

Wine Tastings

A series of wine tastings is being planned to take place this fall and winter on Quadra Island. Interest in forming a wine club will also be discussed. The tastings will be held at the Lovin' Oven. If you are interested, phone 285-3687 and leave your name and number for Jim.

Friday Flicks Tonight

Seven-year-old Ludovic has a trick learnt from his beloved Grandmother. When things go wrong, he closes his eyes and imagines an ideal world for himself. Its a toyland with colours as bright as boiled candy and he lives in it as a girl. Little "Ludo" is a girl trapped in a boy's body and his story is revealed to us in the feature film, **Ma Vie En Rose** (My Life In Pink).

The problem for Ludovic is not that he wants to be a girl; he's quite certain that he *is* a girl and that God made a simple mistake in giving him a boy's body. His unshaken faith in his destiny as a female begins to create problems for this family when he plans to marry the son of his father's boss. His parents begin to realize that, short of major surgery or a miracle, there is no way things can be made right. The adults in Ludovic's world mouth values of tolerance, but the neighbours persecute the entire family. The only consistently sympathetic person in his life is his grandmother, Elizabeth - a free spirited feminist.

Award-winning, first time director Alain Berliner "wins you over from the film's first moments, choreographing his scenes with such a bustling air of wit and confidence" (Sandra Kull). Berliner also handles all the characters sympathetically. He effectively builds up the tension and the fact that Ludovic will not change his mind. With the tension builds the discomfort, then disgust of friends and neighbours. **Ma Vie En Rose** balances commentary on gender roles with an honest sense of childhood whimsy. "It is a combination of darkness and light - both in style and in substance - that make **Ma**

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Fools Gallery



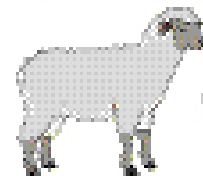
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Friday Flicks Nov 6th

Coming on **November 6th** to the Community Hall, **Chinese Box** (Hong Kong) Director Wayne Wang (Joy Luck Club and Smoke). **Showtime: 7:45 Adm: \$4:50 adults \$3.50 seniors/students**

As Wayne Wang's **Chinese Box** begins, there only six months to "the changeover", the historic transition to Chinese rule that occurred in Hong Kong last summer. A multilayered film which tracks the lives of individuals residing in Hong Kong at the time, **Chinese Box** includes documentary footage and portions of the rain-soaked pump and ceremony in which Prince Charles and his royal guards hand over the city. "There is such a remarkable urgency to **Chinese Box** that it is hard to see it as the fictional film it is instead of a documentary" (Beth Pinsker).

A British journalist, John (Jeremy Irons) is an amateur documentarian. He prowls the city armed with a digital video camera, recording scenes and people in the "teeming, thrumming sidewalks", trying to capture history in the making. Against this dramatic political backdrop the film follows the lives of Vivian, a beautiful barkeep and ex-prostitute and Jean, a scamming street waif, as well as John himself. Their lives and destiny unfold and transform, as does the life and destiny of the city. According to Michael Wilmington (Chicago Tribune) "**Chinese Box** is a poem to his city, a love story, a subtle examination of cross-cultural tension and attractions, a lament for what was and what will never be".

Museum at Campbell River

Lecture/Slides: **Jericho Beach: West Coast Flying Boat Stations.** Tuesday, November 10, 7:30pm. \$5 adult, \$3 student/senior. Aviation historian and author Chris Weicht explores western Canada's rich aviation history through a fascinating selection of vintage slides. A special Remembrance Day presentation.

Workshops: **Free Form Carving**, Saturday, November 7, 10am -3pm. Please pre-register by Wed., Nov. 4. \$45 (includes materials and use of "bent" knives) Learn how to transform driftwood and bark into expressions of your creative self. No carving experience is necessary for this workshop. Instructor: Loretta Joseph

To all Writers..Published and Unpublished

The Quadra Writers' Group is holding a conference entitled "**From Writer to Audience...Publishing Explored**" It will be held at the Quadra Community Centre on Jan. 23, 1999. The morning session - "**From Blue Line to Best Seller**" will be presented by Marisa Alps of Harbour Publishing. The afternoon session will be a panel with audience participation - "**From Manuscript Pages to Printer's Proofs**". Members of the panel include: Michelle Benjamin from Polestar, Joy Gugeler from Beach Holme, Anne West, free lance editor, Dan Francis, author and member of the B.C. Federation of Writers and Philip Stone of Hyacinthe Bay Publishing. Elaine Assu Price will be the moderator. There is also opportunity for writers to have blue pencil editing of their manuscripts. Later that night there will be an "**Evening of Words and Music**", with writers reading and musicians playing. Registration forms for the conference are available at **Explore, Hummingbird Office Supply, and the Quadra Library.**

We Will Remember

Oct. 28th is the kickoff of our 1998 Poppy Sale Campaign. Remember all money raised from this campaign stays on Quadra to assist our veterans and their dependants. So, please be generous.

Nov. 11th is Remembrance Day. A time to remember those who gave their lives in our defence. Our Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Quadra Legion. The Legion will be open at 10:00 a.m. Please be seated prior to 10:45 a.m. The service will be followed by lunch. All are welcome, even children. This will be followed in the evening by a potluck dinner. Cocktails at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. There will be entertainment following dinner. So, cook up your favourite dish and come and join us. A donation of \$5.00 a couple would be appreciated.

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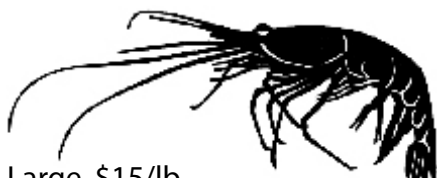
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Wed. Crib Night. 7 pm start. Play every week \$5 for tournament or drop in \$3 nightly pot.

Thurs. Jam Night. Come and mix it up with Steve, Mark, Howie & Duane!

Fri. Pool tourney & drop in darts.

Sat. Meat Draw! 5pm start. Draws every 1/2 hour... You could fill the freezer cheap!

See ya at the Legion where the pool tables are always free!

Halloween Dance, Oct.31. The cat came back!.....Top Heavy as usual. 9 p.m. tickets \$7.50 at the door. Door prize...best costume prizes.

Sage Women Circle

Potluck for women of any age. Come join us for an evening of good food, laughter and wisdom sharing. **Thursday, 6 p.m. November 17th at 129 Joyce Road.** Chase the winter blues away in good company! More information call 285-2882

Buddhist Meditation

Buddhist Meditation Group meets on **Sundays from 10-12 noon** at the Community Centre. All are welcome whatever spiritual backgrounds or beliefs. Silent meditation the first hour, tea and lively discussion group follows. No fee, donation for rent of the hall. More information call 285-2882 after 6 p.m.

Inoculation

Notice to Seniors. Flu inoculations, **Wed. Nov. 4, 12:30 pm.** Prior to inoculation all seniors are invited to attend a luncheon at the Canadian Legion, 12 pm. Enter through the side door.

The Whaletown Community Club

The Whaletown Community Club presents... "Well Meet Again" A nostalgic musical journey through the war years, featuring Lorraine Foster, vocalist and Peter Dent at the piano. Friday, November 6, 1998, 8:00 pm at the Gorge Hall in Whaletown, Cortes Island. Admission \$12.00.

See *Thrashed and Blitzed* below for the full story.

A highlight of the evening will be a musical tribute to Dame Vera Lynn with songs made famous by the 'Sweetheart of the Armed Forces'. Lorraine Foster will be joined by Vancouver jazz pianist Peter Dent. For more information, call (250) 935-6615

Thrashed and Blitzed

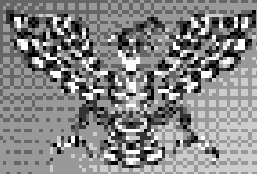
On **November 7th at 8:00 pm** Island Skateboarders invite you to "We'll Meet Again - Hits from the Blitz" at the Quadra Community Centre. Travel with us on a nostalgic musical journey through the war years.

Join Vancouver vocalist and recording artist Lorraine Foster as she presents updated versions of some of the favourite songs written between 1939 and 1945. Drawing from her extensive experience as a singer with the Art Hallman Big Band, Eddie Graff's Orchestra and the Peter Appleyard Orchestra, Lorraine will present an exciting and varied program. She performs in nightclubs, on radio and T.V. and has become the featured soloist with the Dal Richards Big Band in Vancouver. She recently performed with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra at the Orpheum Theatre. She is releasing her second C.D., a selection on songs written during the Second World War.

Appearing with Lorraine will be Vancouver musician Peter Dent. He is a choral composer, and a co-conductor of the Greater Vancouver Vivaldi Chamber Choir, just returned from a tour of the Czech Republic. As a jazz pianist, Peter has played with many of Vancouver's top musicians. He works regularly with vocalists Marcus Mosely, Karen Kelm, Doug Laalo and Tammy Weiss. Jazz Vespers services at St. Andrew's Wesley Church provide a venue for his piano arrangements. His first CD "An Old Fashioned Hymn Swing" can be heard on CBC and combines his musical church background with the joyful noise that is jazz.

Join these talented musicians as they present wartime tunes with featured wartime hits "we'll Meet Again" and "The White Cliffs of Dover", a musical tribute to Dame Vera Lynn the 'Sweetheart of the Armed Forces.'

Phone 285-3687 for more information. Take the 7:30 ferry from Campbell River and return on the 10:00 ferry. The Department of Recreation Happy Wanderers are including the concert in their excursions if you are a member and want transportation. Tickets available at the Music Plant in Campbell River or at Explore Gallery and Hummingbird Office Supply at Quadra Island. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children under 12.



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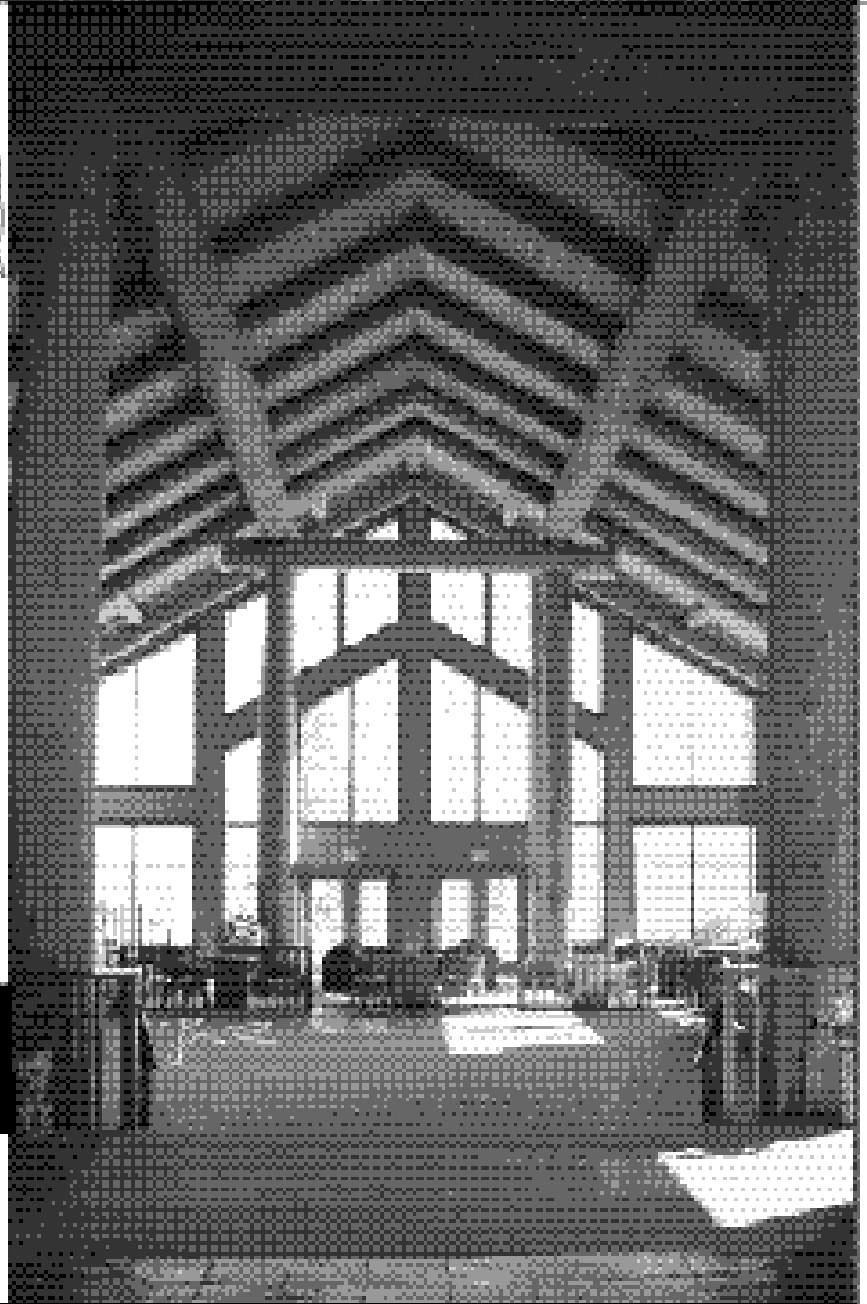
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The Whitneys sail up the coast of Chile, anchor in unnamed bays, ever marvelling at the sheer beauty and magnificence of totally pristine wilderness. They visit Easter Island and stand in awe at the massive human sculptures of stone, archaic and shrouded in

mystery. The DARWIN SOUND sails on into the warm waters of the South Pacific, to Fiji and Tonga, and a different scene emerges, geographically and socially. The Whitneys and their passengers meet Polynesian people, snorkel coral reefs and discover sandy atolls as well as tropical jungles with exotic birds.

After dropping anchor at dozens of small, remote, and often uninhabited islands, the DARWIN SOUND reaches New Zealand, where this rich and colourful slide presentation comes to a close.

Admission is only \$3 at the door, but a family (parents and their kids) gets in for \$10. The date is **Saturday, November 14th. Time 8pm.**, at the Quadra Community Centre. There will also be an intermission with refreshments available.

Through the kind generosity of the Whitneys, all proceeds from the presentation will be donated to the Community Centre Additions Project. Thank you Whitneys!

QIRC

Not a soul wanted to organize Halloween Fun Night this year so it won't happen in the Q.C.C. **Fireworks and a bonfire will happen** however on Blenkin Field starting at **8:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31**. Thank you to Regional Director, Jim Abram for a grant-in-aid, the Discovery Passage newsletter, Walcan, Seamar Industries, Quadra Foods, Heriot Bay Store and Quadra Building Supplies who so far have donated to the fireworks fund. This is a big community event where families, neighbours and friends can get out and enjoy some excitement together. Want to donate? Call the Q.C.C. **285-3243** or mail a cheque to Quadra Recreation, Box 10, Q.Cove.

Want to be legal when you cut firewood from a TFL? Come to the Community Centre between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Mon-Fri and get a firewood cutting permit for \$10 and a map of current available cut-blocks. The Recreation Society is managing the firewood permits for Timber West and the latter is donating the money to Recreation.

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From the Ground Up

Compost Makes a Garden Happy!

by Robyn Mawhinney

It's fall. How's your garden? This time of year in the garden is not entirely inspirational; spent, dying plants and perhaps too many weeds if you're anything like me. This fall when you are tidying up the garden and ripping up those dead plants, get inspired. Think compost. Fall is a great time to build luscious compost piles for use next spring.

Right now is a wonderful time of year for making compost, because potential ingredients are available and cheap (as in free). Seaweed festoons the beaches after a storm, and leaves are falling and piling copiously along roadsides and in yards. The only cost to you for this compost-to-be is the time it takes to gather and pile nature's gifts for your garden.

Now, before you jump up, drop this paper, and run for your shovel and rake, there are some composting basics that are good to review and remember. All good compost piles are composed of equal layers of "brown" and "green". "Green" layers are high in nitrogen; this category includes grass clippings, food scraps, manure, and, of course, seaweed. "Brown" layers in your compost pile are high in carbon and can be dead leaves, straw, cornstalks, sawdust, woodchips or even shredded newspaper. (Definitely NO glossy paper, ever)

Imagine creating a giant layer cake. It's just that you're using seaweed and leaves instead of chocolate cake and icing. The compost layer can be a simple repetition of layers, or complex and fancy with as many myriad layers as you can scavenge or procure. As you layer "greens" and "browns" and build your pile, add a 1" layer of soil once or twice. Also, add a sprinkle of dolomite lime or wood ashes to the green layer, every other layer or so. (Wood ashes should not be used if plastics, treated wood or glossy papers have been burned)

It should be mentioned that the type of compost pile described here is of the "hot" pile variety. This is decidedly different than the home heap "cold" pile which usually subsists of vegetable and table scraps and is often quite smelly. Hot pile composting requires more effort, but the results are definitely an ample reward.

Effort#1: Size. The size of a hot pile should be 3x3x3 in the summer, or 4x4x4 for winter composting efficiency. Winter hot piles are bigger for insulating purposes. The centre of the pile should be kept hot so the composting process is speedy. If you find the size to be a daunting prospect, build a bin of hay bails for your heap. This will provide sufficient insulation.

Effort #2: Moisture. The dampness of the compostables as they are piled directly relates to how quickly they decompose. If they are too dry, the pile does not heat up and composting does not occur. Too wet and it will become very smelly as anaerobic

bacteria thrive. Optimum moisture level is about the same as damp soil or a wrung out sponge, NOT dripping wet. Have a hose handy to sprinkle the layers as you create your heap. Dry layers, like leaves, will need more water than fresh manure or other obviously moist layers. Use your own judgement and intuition.

When the pile is completed and you are standing back admiring your handiwork, remember that it will rain soon. Rain will get your compost pile too wet, which stops the good aerobic bacteria from working. Rain also leaches nutrients from the compost pile into the soil. Compost is a living organism which needs food, water and shelter. Before you walk away, cover your lovely heap with a tarp or some sort of plastic to protect it.

Effort #3: Turning the Compost Pile. The compost needs turning when the centre starts to cool down. This may be a couple of weeks or over a month. Pick a brisk, sunny day when you want a good cardio workout and start pitch forking. The outside of the pile should become the inside of the pile. Check the moisture as you turn it and add water if necessary. And remember, always bend your knees and don't lift with your back!

While hot composting requires some effort, next springs work can be minimized by thinking of pile placement before you begin. A central location in the garden is best for easy access. As well as space for the lovely, large layer-cake-compost-heap you are creating, you also need an equal amount of space adjacent to turn the pile onto.

For those of you who are thinking "yes, that's nice, but...it smells". Compost piles should not smell bad. If they smell rotting, there's something wrong. The pile is too wet and there is not enough air. The smell signifies anaerobic, denitrifying bacteria at work. This means you are losing valuable nitrogen from your compost and are (cough, gag!) smelling it instead.

Yes, hot pile composting is an effort; creating the pile with layers of "green" and "brown"; making a pile big enough so that the centre will be well insulated, and watering judiciously as you pile, providing a rainproof cover and turning the pile occasionally when it starts to cool down getting those friendly bacteria busy again (for this is hot composting). But you can never have enough compost, and you can never add too much to the garden. Just think of the lovely Black Gold you will be spreading in the spring. And

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Fishing, Globally And Locally

The recent crisis in the salmon fisheries on the West Coast should remind Quadra Islanders that we are not isolated from the effects of global environmental deterioration. Although the plunge in our fish stocks can be linked to local factors—habitat loss, over fishing—we are reminded dramatically that the bounty of our own waters is inextricably linked to the wellbeing of the whole ocean.

In a recent feature story in *Macleans*, "Our Dying Seas," the federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, David Anderson, warns, "We have a major crisis in the oceans. If we don't start undertaking effective measures, internationally, we are dead." *Macleans* ominously adds that "countries dependent on marine protein confront the risk of mass starvation.... More terrifying still is the spectre of ecological Armageddon as the oceans lose the capacity to generate the oxygen on which life itself depends."

Such a scenario is already in its formative stages. Scientists have expressed concern that increased radiation levels linked to ozone depletion is causing a dramatic reduction in plankton in south-polar seas. "Off the U.S. west coast, scientists have detected a 70 percent drop in zooplankton (the animal variety) since 1950," a sobering warning when we consider that one-half of the oxygen released into the biosphere comes from oceanic plankton activity.

Increased ocean temperatures are also causing havoc with fish stocks. Off the U.S. Atlantic coast, the resulting algae blooms have killed an estimated one billion fish since 1991. Such temperature changes on the West Coast are increasing the mortality of local migrating salmon by increasing their metabolic rate so they no longer have the fat reserves to return to their spawning origins. Additionally, warm currents are inviting into northerly waters predator species such as a mackerel that prey on juvenile salmon. "At the same time, nutrients that fuel the marine food chain are vanishing from the near-surface waters where salmon swim," cites *Macleans*. Richard Beamish, a leading researcher at Nanaimo's Pacific Biological Station, notes that these changes in ocean conditions have increased the mortality of coho salmon at sea from the 15 to 20 percent range to

the 95 to 98 percent range.

In keeping with our own local experience, an analysis of global fishing has indicated a gradual decrease in the total amount of fish caught despite an increase in the numbers and technological sophistication of fishing fleets. Total global commercial fish production has remained at about 80 million tons because of the contribution of 20 million tons of farmed fish—in other words, farmed fish are staving off a crisis.

But any congratulations to the fish-farm industry is premature. These farms pollute local sites, threaten indigenous fish with diseases, and introduce exotic species that may bring a litany of risks to domestic wild stocks. The other problems they create are more systemic and arise from the obvious question: Where does the feed come from that feeds the farmed fish? As *Macleans* reports, "farmed fish do little to reduce the pressure on wild ones: it takes four kilograms of fish meal, most of it made from wild catch, to bring one kilogram of farmed fish to market."

UBC researchers Daniel Pauly and Johanne Dalsgaard identify the problem as "fishing down the food chain." Their logic is ominously simple and elegant. As major commercial species are over-fished and their numbers plunge—70 percent of the world's commercial species are now fished beyond sustainable limits, according to the United Nations—the fishing industry targets smaller and less preferred species. In many cases, these new target species are the food source needed for the recovery of the endangered species. By fishing out the species farther down the food chain, the fishing industry guarantees that the higher species will be unable to recover.

This trend, according to *Macleans*, "has already reached its logical extension as fleets in several parts of the world have turned to a profoundly alarming technique known as 'biomass fishing.' Huge trawls with very fine mesh gather up every living thing above the size of plankton. What is large enough to sell as human food goes to market. The rest is ground into meal. Much of that goes to feed farmed shrimp and fish."

This fishing-down-the-food-chain process is also happening locally. As salmon become more

scarce, other species such as ling cod, rock cod and snapper—beyond their own intrinsic value—become more targeted until they are over-fished and endangered. Herring, a crucial food for a variety of higher commercial species, is a more conspicuous example. Stephen Hume in the February 4, 1998 edition of *The Vancouver Sun*, notes a study that identifies herring as an important diet of other commercial species: 71 percent of the diet of ling cod, 62 percent for chinook, 58 percent for coho, 53 percent for halibut and 42 percent for pacific cod. After the roe is removed and sold offshore to indulge somewhat luxurious tastes, the remainder of the fish is processed into meal or mixed with sawdust to become garden fertilizer, an unfortunate end for such a valuable species.

When we look at the larger process unfolding in the world's oceans, we shouldn't be surprised that even the relatively productive waters around Quadra are undergoing the same deterioration as elsewhere. What has been going on locally for a century has just become more noticeable in the last few years.

But we can do something to help. The provincial and federal governments are undertaking a Marine Protected Areas Strategy that will examine Pacific Coast waters and make recommendations that will assign appropriate use or non-use to marine areas so our ocean resources and ecology can be sustained. Sierra Quadra will be part of this public process. Please join us. Together we can make a difference.

Sierra Quadra meets at 7:00 on the second Monday of each month in the lower floor of the Quadra Island United Church. Next meeting will be November 9th.

Ray Grigg

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Dear Editor,

This is an open letter to the couple who threatened me and accosted me in the Q-Cove Plaza on the afternoon of Oct. 16.

Although you have never introduced yourselves and I have never met either of you, you seemed quite certain that I was the person who "ripped you off". I can assure you that is not so. I have lived on Quadra for the past few years and have been employed by April Point Lodge and various established individuals on the Island.

To date my encounters with island folk have been one of a positive and constructive nature. I am truly grateful to live in such an open and accepting community.

Our encounter caught me by surprise and left me quite distraught. I attempted to explain that you had made a mistake. I am not a thief and know that my friends and employers will attest to my character. I will ask you to think about your accusations and especially reconsider your threats.

Thank you,

Mornay Van Zyl

Bus & Ferry Connections

Attention Quadra, Cortes and Outer Islands residents! Tired of running for a local bus off the ferry, only to see it leave when your half way there? So are a lot of the Island residents needing the services of Campbell River. If you would like to see the buses scheduled to meet, pick-up and drop off with the ferry, please sign one of the petitions to let City Council and BC Transit know that we need this service. Look for a petition to sign at QUADRA FOODS, HERIOT BAY STORE & ON THE QUADRA TO CAMPBELL RIVER FERRY. Please note that we must have all signatures in by the end of October. Letters may be sent to:

Councillor Charlie Cornfield, C/O District of Campbell River, 301 St. Ann's Rd., Campbell River, BC V9W 4C7 or to Sandy Forman, C/O/BC Transit, 520 Gorge Rd. East, Victoria, BC V8W 2P3

Dear Editor,

Just a few salient points concerning Ray's last two diatribes under the Sierra Quadra banner.

Feller bunchers do exactly what the name suggests - fall trees & bunch them. what Ray is whining about are harvesters, also known as processors. They are only one of many tools helpful in a limby 2nd growth forest, to gain recovery from the tops of trees.

If true industrial logging, as the greenies like to call it, were practised on Quadra, there might be one year's logging before waiting for the next crop! The sustainable yield that is being practised, with relatively tiny openings and selective groupings, ensures the longevity of a yearly cut. However, too many large deletions from the TFL in the form of parks, set backs, and the infamous "buffer zones" can seriously reduce a sustainable harvest.

Quadra Island logging is small-scale, much in tune with what the majority of Islanders desire, though not likely what is desired by some very vocal busy bodies (eg. Forest Watch), and provides employment and raw materials for BC's most organic and productive industry.

In his latest column, Ray bemoans the loggers trying to "hide" their clearcuts! Quite astounding due to the harping and crying for "less visual impact" from logging; we provide them with their "pristine viewsheds" so we're ashamed of our clearcuts!

Good forestry generally means clearcuts of varying sizes - the current ones in Granite Bay are 1 to 5 hectares. Clearcuts are relative; 1 or 2 trees could be termed a tiny clearcut in a very open forest.

I too, talked extensively with the Swedish foresters, who when viewing the mature 2nd growth stands we are selectively logging, said that they would clearcut most of it.

Ray's version of what the Swedes stressed certainly doesn't jive with the general flow of my

conversations with them. They were a very practical bunch, whereas Ray writes mostly airy-fairy, never-never land stuff.

Concerning short logging - we are logging multiples of these short logs he claims to love. We leave them longer until they get to the mill so there are less pieces to handle. We have short logged in the past - you employ a processor, which he appears to hate! Incidentally, Norm Barber suggests Ray obtain a copy of the kiddie video "Lennie the Lumberjack" for clarification of machine technology.

Our current Quadra logging involves a high percentage of plywood lengths & boomsticks. Plywood lengths are multiples of 8 ft. plus trim and boomsticks are 60 to 70 ft. The long boomsticks are required to contain the bundles of floating logs, as storing and moving logs in our coastal waterways has proven the most economical method. Some coastal lumber is still cut as long as 24 ft., so the long log lengths are still popular. Many interior operations have moved to short logging (lengths to 27ft.), but on the coast it is certainly no panacea, and at present, is a very limited market for it.

Considering that Ray hates logging, I fail to see why he makes such an issue of exactly how it is done. Why Timber West would buy him so much as a hamburger, I fail to see.

By the Cokes analogy in his writings, is he suggesting we weld up an automatic bottle opener on the processor to make it more versatile? Perhaps Ray should just learn to relax and try to understand that what man does can be good, does not have to be all bad, and that human influence on the earth is as natural as that of any other creature or thing. In all, after 100 years of logging, Quadra Island is till a nice place to live.

Arne Liseth

Salmon Returning in Record Numbers

It was heartening to read in your Oct. 9 issue that coho had returned to Village Bay Lakes in such large numbers. This was attributed to the closure of the west coast troll fishery and catch and release by the sports anglers.

However, it needs to be said that most major coho creeks on the east and west coasts of Vancouver Island are or soon will be plugged with the supposedly "endangered" coho. Chinooks are also returning in large numbers.

'The fisherman', official paper of the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union, reported on September 29/98 that "close to a million surplus sockeye, that could have put another \$15 million into commercial fishermen's jeans and several more million through processing plants" are plugging the Fraser River spawning grounds. They also report the 1998 Fraser sockeye run as the 11th highest in this century but the lowest catch ever on record.

Now we are faced with a massive chum or dog salmon run coming through Johnstone Strait. D.F.O. called for a two day opening for seines but the major companies, who had filled their chum orders with cheap Alaskan fish purchased at 8¢ per lb., US, told their fishermen that they would only buy the first days catch. Those vessels with more than 10,000 lbs. had to haul their fish through to Vancouver. The extra fuel comes out of the pockets of the fishermen and of course they receive nothing for the extra days of travel. For this they are paid 35¢ per lb.

Gillnet fishermen were offered 25\$ per lb., if they could find a buyer, and many are selling fish to the public. Once again we hear our fearless Minister of Fisheries, David Anderson, crowing about how he has "saved" the coho from extinction and making plans to buy back even more salmon licences and put even more fishermen on the beach. D.F.O. is again using a sledge hammer to kill a fly. For years fishermen have been talking about mismanagement of the salmon resource. The 1998 season should go down in history as a shining example of government bungling and inefficiency

Harry Allen

Celebrating Life

Sunday, October 4th dawned drab, damp and cool. It was definitely a Fall day... a day that seemed to call to retreat from the chill of the outdoors and nestle close to the warmth of the wood stove with a thick book and a cup of hot tea.

But for a small group of women this was not a day to simply relax indoors. Instead our sights were set on climbing higher, hiking with our friend, Karen Holmes, to the top of the south Chinese Mountain. At her invitation we went.

Some found the hike quite easy and promptly set off at a brisk pace up the narrow, rocky trail. Others of us opted to take our time, needing to pause more frequently to catch our breaths and to drink in the ever-widening view below us. Leaving the Morte Lake parking lot at approximately 2:30 p.m., we arrived atop the mountain just over an hour later. Though the day was grey, we were a colourful crew that reached the summit that day. A number of the gals wore bright jackets and a few had faces flushed crimson as well. For each one, this hike had held some challenge. We had forced ourselves to push on and upward to the wooded summit of the mountain. But for our friend Karen, this expedition held a special significance and meaning.

For Karen, this Sunday afternoon climb was in a very real sense a victory celebration as she gratefully arrived at a very memorable milestone in her life. Six years ago at age 32, with a new baby girl just 4 months old, Karen was diagnosed with a very aggressive type of breast cancer. Subsequent to this she underwent many months of treatment which included several surgeries, myriad of tests, chemotherapy and radiation. For months her life seems to hang in the balance. For Karen it was a long, difficult journey coping with cancer and learning to live with this dread disease. As friends we could not remove the pain, the doubts, dread or fears. But as much as we could we had tried to be there for Karen and her young family.

And now we were there again...with her on a very different sort of journey. As we sat atop the mountain that Sunday we were celebrating life and health with our friend who had walked so bravely through the valley of the shadow of death. We had walked with her, hoped with her, wept with her, prayed for her and now together we rejoiced with her as she celebrated five years of living cancer free.

Karen, we love you and admire you and wish for you many more years of life, love, laughter and happy hiking in the hills! Love always: Barb, Tucker, Coleen, Shirley, Sharon, Teralea, Suzanne, Teresa, baby Neil, Sandy, Christy and Lynn.

Lynn Gamache

Salmon Returns Update

Coho Continue to Return to Village Bay Lakes

by Tanya Storr

I am perched on a large boulder in the middle of Village Bay Creek, camera in hand, scanning the water's surface for any telltale salmon movements. Just downstream, there is a particularly turbulent stretch of fast water that my eyes are drawn towards.

Suddenly, a tremendous splashing erupts in the middle of the rapids. I watch, fascinated, as a coho struggles against the current, propelling itself upstream with tail movements so quick they remind me of a hummingbird's wingbeats. After a few more violent splashes, the coho successfully navigates the stretch of whitewater, leaving me awed by its incredible determination at the end of its life cycle. It is then that I realise I have completely forgotten to take a photo.

I walk upstream on the creek bank, past moss-covered boulders standing like sentinels at the creek's edge, and find several more salmon resting in a pool. There are four or five coho and a couple of chum slowly swimming about, their contemplative motions barely hinting at the tremendous energy they will expend as they encounter more fast water further upstream.

To date this fall, over 3,500 adult coho have travelled up the creek to Village Bay Lakes, making this the highest recorded return in 23 years. This year's numbers are roughly ten times the average for the period 1986 to 1997.

"It's a thrilling success. We're very excited about it," said Quadra Island Salmon Enhancement Society president Don McEachern, who has been with the society since 1984.

Most of the coho travelling up Village Bay Creek this fall are returns from a helicopter release of 75,000 fry into the lakes in the spring of 1996. The release was made possible through the fundraising efforts of local sport fishing guides, who sold \$2,000 worth of decals to their clients and island businesses in support of the project.

A Coast Guard helicopter transported the coho fry in a Quinsam Hatchery \$15,000 prototype metal bucket, and they were released into Clear, Stramberg, and Little Main Lakes. Prior to their release, the fry were fed daily at the Quadra hatchery by Quadra Seniors.

Two and a half years later, the surviving adult coho have returned to the lake chain. McEachern said the fish don't seem to be in the streams leading up to the smaller lakes yet, but are holding in the bigger lakes at the moment.

"This makes the coho vulnerable to sports fishers. We'd like to remind sports fishers that taking coho is prohibited. We'd also like to point out that, even under the best of conditions, fish caught and released suffer damage that can be fatal," he noted.

McEachern pointed out that the 3,500 survivors that have returned are "the best of their brood and bring to the spawning gravel the beginnings of a new generation which will be the continuation of their species and their stock."

QISES members have also seen some returning coho in Read Lake on the Walcan Road. Those fish have travelled up Hyacinthe Bay Creek, and McEachern said they are hopefully heading to the spawning channel at Mud Lake.

"It has been awhile since we have released coho into Hyacinthe Bay Creek but there are definitely more coming back than there have been in previous years," he said.

McEachern attributes much of the success of this year's coho returns to DFO's closure of the coho fishery this year.

"It is only because 1998 fishery management strategies supported the efforts

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of the Quadra Island Salmon Enhancement Society and the Quadra community that this success was possible. The QISES has released coho fry into the lakes for many years with marginal effect. This year, however, Fisheries and Oceans reacted appropriately to the long term catastrophic decline of coho stocks and the result has been spectacular," he said.

McEachern said QISES would like to thank all the members of the Quadra community who contributed to this year's coho success story either as society members, volunteers, financial supporters, or donors of goods and services. He also expressed appreciation to Bryan Allen from DFO, who has acted as QISES' community advisor and has supported the society over the years.

Chum Update

Chum returns in Hyacinthe Bay Creek are also looking good at this point, McEachern said. QISES has been releasing at least 200,000 chum fry a year into Hyacinthe Bay Creek for the past 15 years.

Normally, QISES staff and volunteers capture some of the returning chum in Hyacinthe Bay Creek for brood stock. However, due to a lack of government



Coho in Village Bay Creek

Photo: Tanya Storr

funding, there is no brood stock program at the Quadra hatchery this year for the first time since 1987.

"We have money for equipment and maintenance, but not for labour, and we don't want to take responsibility for capturing and maintaining brood stock without paid, experienced staff. If we don't feel we can do the program properly and keep the fish safe, we don't want to do it. Eggs can be maintained by volunteers because once they're in incubators, their care can be scheduled. With broodstock, however, you really need someone there all the time. We're down to 1% loss on our brood stock and we don't want to lose that," said McEachern.

Although QISES applied for government funding as usual, none came through for the brood stock program this year.

"None of the Mifflin money came our way and so far none of the money Fisheries Minister David Anderson has promised has come our way. We have sent funding proposals to the provincial and federal governments for comprehensive mapping and assessment of Quadra streams, and included in the package is a request for funding for a brood stock program next year," he said.

In the meantime, QISES volunteers are continuing to monitor streams and watch returns. As reported in the last Discovery Islander, some QISES members identified and partially removed a log jam that was blocking the returning coho from swimming up Village Bay Creek a few weeks ago.

The Quadra hatchery may get some coho eggs from the Quinsam hatchery in November, McEachern said.

"Although the Village Bay Creek run is doing very well now and we wouldn't release any coho fry there next spring, there are lots of Quadra streams where coho returns are still poor," he explained.

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Ferry Crew Receives Plaque from Ambulance Dispatch

by Tanya Storr

Quadra ferry crew members have gone out of their way countless times to transport the ambulance to Campbell River as quickly as possible in emergency situations. Many times, crew members have been called on to make an emergency run in the middle of the night so the ambulance could swiftly deliver a patient to hospital.

In a ceremony on board the Powell River Queen on October 10, the Quadra ferry crew was awarded a plaque of appreciation by Victoria-based Ambulance Dispatch for its efforts to accommodate the ambulance in emergencies. Dispatch in Victoria handles all calls for the Vancouver Island area and the Sunshine Coast.

Ambulance dispatchers Lynn Kline and Bill Gedye travelled up from Victoria to present the plaque in the wheelhouse ceremony. Captain John Arnold and Mate Bruce Walsh accepted the award on behalf of the crew, and ambulance paramedics Steve Van Der Minne, Hugh and Dawn Ross, Betty Doak, Linda Richards, and Craig McGowen were also in attendance. Linda and Craig, former longtime Quadra ambulance paramedics, were representing the Campbell River ambulance service.

"It was quite an honour to receive the plaque," said Captain John Arnold. "We don't really think anything of our role in emergencies because everyone in the ambulance is someone we know, or work with, or are related to. It was a very nice gesture on the part of Ambulance Dispatch."

Betty Doak said the ferry crew's quick response in emergencies has made a tremendous difference to the outcome of



Captain John Arnold and Mate Bruce Walsh accepting the award.
Photo: Betty Doaks

situations many times.

"We've got one hour with a critically ill patient from when a trauma occurs to when he or she should be in the hospital. We can stabilize patients but only for so long. The ferry adjusts its schedule according to the severity of the situation and needs of the ambulance crew. Their set-up is excellent, and since the Quadra ambulance's inception in 1984 we've never had anything but wonderful cooperation from the ferry crew," she said.

Betty recalled one particularly hectic day when two traumas occurred in quick succession. The ferry waited for the ambulance on the first trauma call and took the patient to Campbell River. While the ambulance was still in town delivering the patient to hospital, a second trauma call came through from Quadra. The ferry waited for the ambulance to return from the

hospital and took it back to Quadra so it could rush off to the second call. After making a quick round trip to Campbell River, the ferry waited for the ambulance in the Cove and sailed early with the second patient.

"This service allowed us to get the patients to hospital quickly and made a major difference in the outcome of both situations," Betty stated.

She also praised the ferry crew for being ready to go in less than 20 minutes in the middle of the night, noting that most of the time the ferry is ready and waiting when the ambulance arrives with the patient.

John Arnold explained that the afternoon ferry crew members are on call overnight in case an emergency should arise.

"Dispatch phones the night watchman and he phones us at home. We get paid if we have to go but we don't get standby pay. It's strictly an honour thing—we have to be aware that we could get called out."

The Quadra ambulance service has 11 active paramedics and typically receives about 160 calls a year. Betty said the calls seem to be increasing in severity.

"We've had more motor vehicle accidents in the last five years than we used to have. In our initial years of service they were rare."

The crew of the Gabriola ferry, the Quinsam, also received a plaque from Dispatch for their efforts in assisting their ambulance service.

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Karate Demo at Quadra Elementary



Sensei Wayne Duguay at Quadra Elementary. Photo: Darlene Booth

by Tanya Storr

About 60 students were treated to a karate lesson and demonstration on October 7 at Quadra Elementary. Sensei Wayne Duguay, who instructs the women's karate club on Quadra, came over with an assistant instructor, Shodan Rory, to teach the kids some moves and explain a little bit about the philosophy behind karate.

Five members of the women's karate club helped with the event, and Dorian North's grade 4/5 class and Murray Garland's grade 6 class participated.

"It was really cool and it went over way better than I could have imagined," said Dorian North, who added he likes to promote anything that encourages kids to be active.

Martina Kowalchuk is one of the women's karate club members who assisted with the class. She said Sensei Wayne led a warm-up with lots of

jumps and running, and he taught the kids some basic self-defence moves.

"It was quite neat. They all tried to do the kicks and keep their balance. Even the teachers got right into it," she said.

Martina, Kathy Fyfe, Barb McKenzie, Lesley Matthews, Rita Gower, and Martina's son Kolya demonstrated a kata—a flowing combination of blocks, kicks, and moves—for the students. Sensei Wayne and Shodan Rory also did an advanced kata for the group.

Sensei Wayne, who teaches Wadokai karate (meaning "the Way to Peace"), said he was very impressed with the Quadra Elementary students.

"They were very well-behaved and really seemed into it. I showed them what karate looks like and some of the talents developed over training. We tried a lot of different things."

Teaching karate in a school situation is something Sensei Wayne spends a fair amount of time doing in Campbell River. He spent three days last week at Robron teaching grade 9 students, and he's instructing an eight-week self-defence program for grade 9 girls at Phoenix.

"I've been teaching karate in Campbell River schools for five years. Every year I go to schools and teach some of the gym classes," he said.

Sensei Wayne also holds his own classes for tots aged 4-7 and kids aged

7-13 in Campbell River. Kathy Fyfe is currently looking into options for Sensei Wayne to teach a karate class for kids on Quadra. Anyone interested should call Kathy at 285-2202.

In other karate news, the Quadra women's karate club is now over a year old. Two of its members, Martina Kowalchuk and Kathy Fyfe, are going down to Victoria in November to compete in the Wadokai Nationals. Twenty of Sensei Wayne's students will be going down for the competition.

While they are in Victoria, the karate students will receive instruction from Masaru Shintani, a karate master who is in his 70s. Master Shintani is the head of Wadokai karate for Canada and the U.S., and he will be visiting Campbell River on November 9. There will be an interactive session at the Carihi gym from 7-10 p.m. and a potluck following at the Campbell River dojo.

"When you see Master Shintani move it's very inspiring," said Sensei Wayne. "A lot of people don't realise karate is an art, a deep study. You can get into the shallow end or go in deep."





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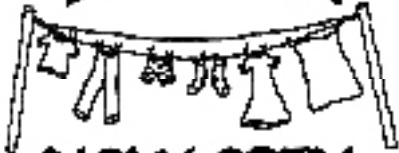
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Bettina Sluzki Lewis

One of my old and most meaningful mentors, Krishnamurti, once said: "When you don't know what to do, do nothing". I have always remembered this, and have found it most useful. So when I was thinking what to write about for Notes from an Artist and I had no ideas or themes to consider, I thought perhaps I should pass. However, I realized that I hadn't contributed for a while so I decided "I'll compromise. This time I'll present a potpourri of what other artists have said". The following quotes come from my collection of interesting thoughts expressed by artists.

It's not difficult to make things; what is difficult is to put ourselves in the proper condition to make them. *Brancusi* (sculptor)

The analogy between the artist and the child is that both live in a world of their own making. *Anais Ninn* (writer)

If you are an extraordinarily gifted woman, the door is open. What women are fighting for is to be as mediocre as men. from 'Art News' summer 87'

When you love a woman you don't use instruments to measure her form. *Picasso* (artist)

An artist must never be a miser. He must give everything he's got. You don't start with the idea the first day. First you must get acquainted. The paintings demand absolute freedom! *Lester Johnson* (painter)

There is no hope of achieving what I want, of expressing my vision of reality. I go on painting and sculpting because I am curious to know why I fail. *Giacometti* (artist)

All I know about method is that when I am not working I sometimes I know something, but when I am working, it is quite clear that I know nothing. *John Cage* (artist)

A painting is a thing which requires as much cunning, rascality and viciousness as the perpetration of a crime. *Degas* (artist)

Things are not things alone if they are an expression of the soul. *Kandinski* (artist)

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Y2K Could Affect U2

Steven Halliday

One of the hottest topics in business today is the potential problems related to chip based applications and the Year 2000, or "Y2K". In a nutshell, many older computers, computer software and computer chips were not designed to recognize the change in the calendar from 19- to 20-. The process was known as "hard 19" encoding, and can affect everything from computers to elevators, heating and air conditioning systems to aeroplanes. Unfortunately, at midnight on December 31, 1999 all non Y2K compliant processes will change the date to January 1, 1900. This has some fairly nasty implications, particularly when testing has shown that some machinery totally fails, becoming completely "confused" by the date. The Y2K problem has spawned a multi-billion dollar industry dedicated to testing and correcting the problem. Programmers from the late 1970's and 1980's are in demand to fix the millions of lines of code that needs to be rewritten in order to correct the problem with large mainframe computers.

A lot of people are questioning whether or not the situation is overblown. Many will argue that it is a clever ploy to get everyone to buy new computers and software, while others throw out the conspiracy theory (those pesky Commies did it!). Unfortunately, the situation is not overblown. My employer has just spent a significant amount of money upgrading our computer hardware and software, and part of the reason was to ensure we are Y2K compliant, and can count on our system to be up and running on January 1, 2000. More unfortunately, outside of Canada and the US businesses are unwilling or unable to address the problem. One fellow who takes the threat very seriously indeed is Ed Yardeni, Chief Economist for Deutsche Bank Securities in New York. In a recent interview in Fortune magazine, he is predicting a 70% chance that Y2K related problems will cause a global recession starting in 1999. This prediction is based only on

Y2K issues, and the other economic crisis' around the globe only compound his pessimism. His warning to investors - "Investors are not taking Y2K seriously enough. But sometime between October of this year and October of next year, the market will start to realize that there is enormous economic risk and uncertainty. Stocks are the discounted value of future earnings, and earnings in the year 2000 could be down a great deal. Y2K will extend the bear market into 2000".

All businesses on the Islands should be concerned. Have you taken any steps to ensure your own equipment is Y2K compliant? What about your suppliers - if they aren't Y2K compliant will they be able to ship to you? And how about your customers - if they are severely impacted by Y2K problems will they be able to pay you? Those of you with questions can contact me for referral to an appropriate source of information. We in the financial business have been cognizant of the problem and actively working on it for a couple of years, and we have amassed a great deal of information. During a conference I attended last year we were addressed by a fellow who operates a Y2K consulting firm in Seattle. He shared plenty of horror stories of companies whose Y2K testing programs have shown them to face huge problems, but left us with a happy thought. He stated that the US Government recognizes the potential Y2K problem they are facing, but they are feverishly working to correct the problem. They are completely confident that all elements of the government will be Y2K compliant.....by 2006.

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