

Our project assures the future

by Joel Johnstone

Japanese technology and Canadian assets are coming together to create better job security and environmental conditions at the Howe Sound pulp mill in Port Mellon.

Last Monday, Bill Hughes, vice-president of pulp and paper manufacturing of Canfor Corporation's Howe Sound Pulp Division, told a gathering of local business, political and press representatives that the mill would undergo a \$635 million expansion as part of a new company formed by Canfor and newsprint giant, Oji Paper Company Ltd. of Tokyo. Canfor will contribute the assets of the Howe Sound mill and its West Coast Cellulose sawmill and chipping plant in Vancouver and Oji would inject \$307.5 million into the 50-50

deal to form the Howe Sound Pulp and Paper Company Ltd.

"We're starting deficit-free with over \$300 million in the bank, which means we won't face a \$100 million in start up costs," Hughes said. "That's a very nice way to start up a company."

Hughes suggested that up to \$1 billion could be the total cost once the plant expansion and an additional newsprint manufacturing facility are completed in 1991.

MLA Harold Long said, "It's good to see the foreign investment come in. It's actually one of the biggest announcements for this town," because it was generally feared the Port Mellon mill would go the way of the Ocean Falls example, where a mill shut-down crippled the economy of the town.

"One of the biggest things is when they did a study in 1985 and (because of pollutants emitting from the plant) they were told to shut down." Canfor was looking at close to \$20 million to bring the plant into conformance with regulations by June.

Hughes said Canfor was also looking at close to \$200 million to update the plant to meet competitive world standards.

"Canfor," he said, "didn't want to leave Howe Sound behind. We felt there really should be another product developed at the mill." Now, Canfor will be entering into the newsprint market using the world-class technology and information ability of Oji.

Oji operates the world's largest newsprint plant at Tomakai in Northern Japan, producing 800 thousand tonnes of newsprint annually. With

this merger, the Howe Sound mill will push its current 220 thousand tonne annual pulp production to 365 thousand tonnes.

The newsprint facility will be geared towards 195 tonnes per year, all of which will be marketed by Oji to its Japanese originating markets. Canfor will market all pulp produced at the plant through its Canfor Sales Division.

Hughes stressed that one of the benefits is they are not shipping raw materials abroad, but a finished product.

The spinoff to the community will be some of the 450 construction jobs created by the project. Sixty-five people are already on site tearing out old equipment in preparation for the next phase of expansion. Two years ago Canfor invested \$70 million in paper press and

dryer machinery currently in operation.

Though sections of the plant will be shut down as the rotation from old to new takes place, Hughes said the mill only stands to lay off 100 employees temporarily. The 400 jobs presently on payroll will remain fixed at the 400 level because "we are going to be faced with a training program. Some are going to have to learn completely new jobs."

There has been some speculation at the plant itself about those older employees nearing pension who do not want to enter into the learning cycle again may be offered early retirement packages.

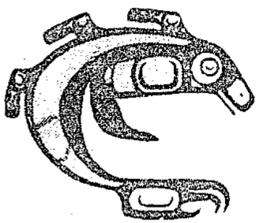
Twelve percent of the mill's employees have been with the company over 25 years, 65 percent for more than 10 years, and the average of the division's

workforce is 45 years of age.

Water usage, at 70 thousand litres per day, will not be increased, but aside from the mill's on-site 65 thousand kilowatt hours per day power generation, the mill will have to receive guarantees from B.C. Hydro that the mill will be able to receive in excess of 350 thousand kilowatts per day purchased power.

Also, "In making the announcement, the principals of Canfor and Oji stressed that proceeding with this major investment in B.C. is contingent on the successful conclusion of their discussions with various levels of government in a number of important areas such as security of additional wood supply and satisfactory energy costs," Canfor has stated.

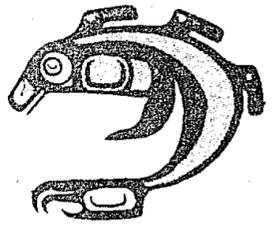
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Sechelt Mayor Bud Koch and newly elected Alderman Nancy MacLarty shake hands at last week's inaugural meeting (see story Page 28). —Ken Collins photo

Accepts gravel extraction as inevitable

Koch addresses Sechelt's future

by Ken Collins

"It was a pretty black day," said Sechelt Mayor Bud Koch commenting on meeting with provincial authorities last Tuesday in Vancouver. He had attempted to persuade the provincial government to consider a canal through Sechelt as an alternative to the proposed Sechelt Indian Band conveyor belt to Trail Bay for gravel extraction. He failed.

"I haven't slept for two days," Koch confided in a *Coast News* interview, "I keep wondering how I could have made a better presentation."

"Why was the canal so important?" asked the *Coast News*.

"It was the key to everything," replied Koch, and he went on to outline his vision for Sechelt.

The canal would serve as an attraction similar to the synthetic beach at West Edmonton Mall, but canals are expensive toys. Who would pay for it?

"Fifty percent of the canal would be paid from gravel," explained Koch. "The whole of Porpoise Bay would be a marina."

Once easy access was gained

to Porpoise Bay, Koch envisioned a possibility of attracting sports fishermen like no one has ever done before, utilizing some of the spin-offs from aquaculture research. He foresaw Sechelt Inlet being a giant fishpond stocked with genetically bred fish that would not travel. A sports fisherman's dream and a wonder of the world.

Many, if not most, of the developments that Koch saw as complementing the canal are in some sort of stage of development now and will be completed but in the Mayor's own words, "everything else pales in comparison" and he is searching for a new key.

One of the projects on the books is an 18 hole executive golf course.

"What is an executive golf course?" asked the *Coast News*.

"It is one that is short so that a round of golf may be completed in less time than on a regular course," explained Koch. He went on to describe the driving range and pitch and putt that would go with it.

"It will be located beside Kinikinnick Park and the arena," he said. "In fact, the arena with its lounge will be the 19th hole."

He stated it would not compete with the existing golf course but would complement it.

He sees the municipal offices as eventually ending up at Rockwood Lodge. There are plans to jack up the convention hall at the lodge and Koch sees no reason the offices could not be housed underneath. He also plans to search for a location on the Gibsons side of Sechelt for the Chamber of Commerce tourist booth.

"That's where most of the traffic comes from," he stated.

Another project in the works is the lengthening of the airport runway to 4000 feet in order to accommodate small transport planes. One of the immediate users would be the aquaculture industry.

"Fresh fish could be flown out to places like San Francisco," explained Koch.

Already a waiting room has been purchased for the airport and there are three scheduled flights a day to Vancouver by Aquila and Tyee is operating a charter flight.

"Could the canal go ahead without the gravel?" asked the *Coast News*.

"No, I don't believe so," said

Presented on short notice

New foreshore policy

The Foreshore Advisory Task Force had barely an hour last week to review and make recommendations on a new aquaculture policy being drafted by the provincial government. The 24 page draft document was brought to the task force meeting last Friday and government officials requested that their recommendations be FAXed to Victoria that afternoon.

Hank Boas, of the Ministry of Lands and Forests, told the meeting that changes had been made in the processing of aquaculture leases ever since the report by the Gillespie Commission had been released in 1985. The policy draft, he explained, was simply an attempt to formalize those changes to ensure

consistency.

Chairman Gordon Wilson asked for clarification on the different classifications of tenure and when it was appropriate to register concerns. He was told that when an 'Investigative Permit' was applied for, a public notice is published in local papers. At that time, anyone who has comments to make on the application should do so.

An investigative permit is issued for a period of one year. However at the completion of that year, the permit holder may apply for a 'Licence of Occupation', which will allow development for up to 10 years, or a lease, which could ensure tenure of up to 30 years.

The public may not be notified of the new applications,

unless the use to which the lease will be put is different from that for which an investigative permit was issued.

With that in mind, the task force agreed to request that the government eliminate a clause in the draft policy which stated, "Investigative permit applications do not require advertising, however, an applicant may elect to advertise in order to determine at any early point if there are any public concerns regarding the site. The next clause, they said, should be amended to ensure that all initial applications are advertised."

At the same meeting, task force members received a copy of the first stage of a discussion paper being prepared by the ombudsman's office to look into administrative fairness, which deals with the manner by which government policy is administered to individuals, including corporations, in the aquaculture industry.

Investigation by this office has been prompted by numerous complaints from the public, primarily coastal residents. These included allegations that: people have had little or no meaningful input into the granting of aquaculture leases;

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Elk sign located

The mystery of the disappearance of the instructional sign regarding elk on the coast has been solved.

An employee of the Ministry of Environment & Parks who was driving through the area, noticed that the sign had been blown down, so he loaded it on to his truck and transported it to Surrey for safekeeping.

Unfortunately conservation officer, Jamie Stephen, was not notified of this, but all is well now and arrangements are being made to have the sign re-erected on its location near Ruby Lake.

Polar Bear Swim

On New Year's Day an exciting event will once again take place at Davis Bay Beach. The **Fifth Annual Polar Bear Swim**.

This year the Sechelt and District Chamber of Commerce has taken over the responsibility for the swim, and we are looking for ideas and volunteers to make things run smoothly. We need volunteers to take registrations, help with crowd control, look after the brave swimmers and generally assist with the event.

The Polar Bear Swim, over the years, has become a great success. Last year there were 31 swimmers with a crowd of spectators of well over 200.

The success of the Polar Bear Swim can only continue with the help of volunteers. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Gail or Shirley at 885-3100.

Board appoints

The new Secretary-Treasurer of School District 46 will be Mr. Tim Anderson, who is currently Secretary-Treasurer of School District 56 (Nechako). Anderson will commence his duties as Associate Secretary-Treasurer in mid-January, becoming Secretary-Treasurer on April 1, following the retirement of the present Secretary-Treasurer Roy Mills on March 31.

Lick Cancer

Please save all stamps for the Eastern Star Cancer drive. We appreciate your support highly. All proceeds go to cancer research and cancer dressings used locally. So leave 1/4 inch around the stamps for protection and give them to any Eastern Star member or call:

H. Grisack 886-7425, L. Bryson 885-3638 (Sechelt) or S. Woodsworth 883-9298 (Pender Harbour).

Thank you for your support.

Comment

Profoundly good news

The importance of the pulp mill at Port Mellon to the economic life of the Sunshine Coast is difficult to exaggerate.

The Canfor operation is by far the largest payroll on the Coast and it is no exaggeration to say that when Canfor squeezes the entire business community catches cold.

Automation and the modern business world being what they are, the addition of a newsprint facility to augment the pulp production will not add to the workforce in the long run but it does assure that we will not suffer the fate of so many one-industry areas who lose their industry. That is profoundly good economic news.

The assurance is welcome that the expenditure of close to \$1 billion in the next few years will also ease the minds of those for whom matters environmental are as important as matters economic.

All in all, last week's announcement is good news for all of us who live here, those in business and those who have comfortably retired.

We wish Canadian Forest Products Ltd. all success in this important new venture.

Mayor's vision

There never has been any questioning the fact that Mayor Bud Koch of Sechelt is a man of restless energy and considerable vision.

It is exciting when the mayor lets us in on his vision for Sechelt, as he does in his interview with the *Coast News* this week.

Mayor Koch may disturb the more timid amongst us for whom any change is seen as a threat, but he assuredly is a refreshing change from the visionless time servers who frequently warm the seats of local government.

One thing missing from the mayor's adventurous litany, however, is any mention of Block 7 which was the centrepiece of his plans not too long ago. No doubt the mayor will enlighten us before long as to how this expensive piece fits into the jigsaw puzzle of his plans.

Refreshing

It is refreshing, is it not, to read of a public hearing conducted without bitterness or vituperation.

We are indebted to the people of Keats Island this week for reminding the rest of us that such a manner of community conduct is not entirely obsolete.

...from the files of the COAST NEWS

We Remember When

5 YEARS AGO

Brookman Park is in serious jeopardy. If the creek cannot be directed away from the park soon, it appears likely that approximately 40 percent of the park will be claimed by the creek. Explaining recent bank slippage, Jon McRae requested SCRD assistance in obtaining provincial government assistance to rectify the problem.

10 YEARS AGO

Secretary-Treasurer of School District 46 informed school trustees that an adjustment in taxation procedures by the Social Credit government would mean a significant increase in the proportion of school taxes borne by local taxpayers. The increase could be as much as 23 percent.

15 YEARS AGO

The newly elected president of Local 297 UPIU has called on all citizens of the Sunshine Coast to wholeheartedly support the United Farm Workers Union in its battle to guarantee a decent standard of living to California farm workers. To this end, Local 297 has requested CFP to stop serving lettuce at the Seaside Dining Room.

20 YEARS AGO

Juveniles of tender years have been blamed for a series of break-ins in Gower Point Road summer cottages. RCMP are warning owners of such places to see they are securely locked up before leaving them.

25 YEARS AGO

Sechelt and Gibsons municipal councils are showing an interest in the Powell River move towards obtaining a ferry from Powell River area to Vancouver Island, landing possibly at Comox. Both councils are in favour.

30 YEARS AGO

Expenditures in the region of \$3000 for fire equipment were discussed by Gibsons Village Commission. Some commissioners wondered why so much was needed at this time. The money is needed for hoses, tools and breathing sets.

35 YEARS AGO

A search party, slowed by high winds and heavy rains, cut its way through the woods to a spot a quarter of a mile from Crowston Lake, four miles from Halfmoon Bay, to reach the wrecked plane of Queen Charlotte Airlines.

40 YEARS AGO

A 17 year old Vancouver girl was given permission by the court to marry a 22 year old fisherman from Pender Harbour. The court's approval was required because the girl does not know who her parents are. She was brought up by a foster father.



Tale of Coast Christmas

by Howard White and Jim Spilsbury

In An Excerpt From His New Book, *Spilsbury's Coast, Savary Island Pioneer Jim Spilsbury Recalls His Most Memorable West Coast Christmas.*

I can never think of Christmas up the coast without turning in my mind to the year 1937. The previous year I had acquired a 41 foot cabin cruiser, the *Five B.R.*, and began travelling all up and down the coast selling and repairing radios. For six years I never slept ashore. Living full time aboard a floating workshop was an excellent proposition from the standpoint of my business, but it was lonely. Meanwhile I had been seeing a Savary Island girl named Glenys Glynes, and marriage began to seem a rather obvious move. My family didn't object (she was English) so it was more or less expected, but when we did decide, it was practically overnight, the week before Christmas.

I cleaned up the last of the pre-Christmas service calls in Pender Harbour and then headed for Vancouver and tied up in my usual spot alongside the Pacific Coyle Navigation floats at the foot of Cardero Street. Then there was lots to do. Up to Radio Sales Service to replenish my stock of tubes, batteries, and spare parts, and to pick up the three new radios I had promised for pre-Christmas delivery.

And then, of course, the courthouse! Glenys had reminded me that they required three days notice, in the clear, for a marriage license. It could just be squeezed in.

So the great day came, and it was also the deadline for departure for upcoast points. It was touch and go. I was up town picking up the last few items to go aboard with only minutes to spare. I was to meet the others

on the courthouse steps. I got there just as we were asked into the registrar's office. All Glenys said was "What happened to you?" We hadn't been married long enough for her to be more pointed, but in later years I often heard her remark, "He was even late for his own wedding!" Anyway we made our way down to the *Five B.R.*, said our goodbyes, and were on our way through First Narrows headed north.

December 24 we arrived at Heriot Bay where I installed a new Stromberg-Carlson radio for Francis Dickie, the writer. By this time he had despaired of getting the new set before Christmas. Then on to three more calls, including a new set for S.K. Marshall, the Greek scholar, who had a large English-style house in Evans Bay. Our last pre-Christmas commitment fulfilled, at 17:30 we left Evans Bay bound for Refuge Cove where we had arranged to spend Christmas with our storekeeper friends Jack and Rose Tindall, who were also just then embarking on married life. It was snowing with a biting northwest wind, and pitch dark, of course.

One hour later we were heading into what the locals refer to as a 'Bute wind'. It is an Arctic-air outflow that comes straight down Bute Inlet, and this one was a dilly. We found ourselves heading into dirty four-foot swells, with the spray starting to freeze on the handrails and rigging. Visibility was almost nil, and we were making very little headway. We shouldn't have been out there at all, but I wanted to keep our appointment for Christmas dinner with Jack and Rose.

We were just abeam Bullock Bluff, the northern tip of Cortes Island, and nearly to the point where we could put the wheel over and head down Lewis Channel with the wind astern, when, without warning, the

engine stopped dead. We were just about half a mile from shore. The vessel immediately fell off wind and lay broadside, rolling madly. I raised the hatch and jumped down into the engine room to try and find the trouble. Everything checked okay so I grabbed the starting crank and spun it over, but nothing! I checked all the obvious things, gas, spark, distributor wires, but everything appeared in order. I spun the crank again, again nothing!

I climbed out and sized up the situation. It wasn't good. We were making leeway while we rolled and already had used up half the distance to the rocks of Bullock Bluff. The wind was screaming, and we were rolling viciously. It was hard to hold on. Given another hundred yards we would have made it clear of the bluff, but the tide was ebbing, and the current was carrying us south, so there was no question we would pile up on the bluff in a matter of minutes.

I did the only thing left to do. I scrambled out the wheelhouse door and onto the icy foredeck and lowered the anchor. The term 'lowered' hardly describes it. I just kicked off the dog and released the brake and let the windlass scream out to the bitter end. It carried 175 feet of wire cable and chain, and an 85 pound navy anchor. I could only hope that the anchor might take hold before we hit the beach, but the water is deep off the point and it would be touch and go. But I had done all I could so I slithered back into the wheelhouse, and down into the engine room, and started desperately to crank again. All this time poor Glenys was just hanging on like grim death and saying nothing. What an introduction to boating, and married life!

I think it was at this point that I decided to pray. I seemed to recall that that is what other people have been known to do

under similar circumstances. But I was not a very good hand at this sort of thing. I wracked my mind but I couldn't think of the words, any words. Then I wondered just how important the words actually were, so long as the intentions were there. I was more than willing to give it a try, words or no words. Then silent words surfaced in a rush: "Break, break, break, on thy cold grey stones, Oh sea, I would that my tongue could utter the thoughts that arise in me." Not out of the prayer book it's true, but I was in no position to doubt.

At that moment, I felt the vessel suddenly swing around into wind, and the rolling eased. The anchor had caught, and only just in time. I rushed out to the stern with a flashlight to have a look, and I'll never forget the scene that greeted me. Our stern was within ten feet of the steep rock cliff. I could have reached it with a boathook. It had large icicles hanging down from where the spray had been freezing. Our stern was heaving up and down five or six feet, and as the breakers hit the rocks the spray came right back into our cockpit. I rushed back to the engine room and continued my frantic search for the problem, but still no clues. After a while I began to worry about the situation at the stern, so I ran back and had another look. We seemed to be closer, too damned close and then I realized that the tide was falling and the anchor cable would be slackening and we would be getting continually closer. And then suppose the anchor was to slip just a notch? That's all it would take.

I rushed up to the foredeck, and very, very gently took up a few feet of cable on the windlass, always risking the possibility that in doing so I might dislodge the anchor. It was touch and go, but it worked.

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From another perspective

Summit ends 'evil empire' myth

by Peter Prongos

The ironies of the Soviet-U.S. summit meeting are legion, but the most interesting of all is the role of President Reagan. Here we see the most simple-minded, knee-jerk, anti-Soviet leader ever, signing the most significant nuclear arms (INF) treaty in history with a country Reagan calls the 'Evil Empire'.

This approach is such a turn around that long-time Reagan supporters are now accusing him of being 'a useful idiot for Kremlin propaganda!'

Reagan's change of heart is due to a number of factors, such as the mess caused by his economic policy of pandering to the rich, and by the revelations of the Iran-Contra scandal. The peace movement also deserves credit for educating people about the nuclear threat and

creating a political climate in which Reagan has had to move towards disarmament if he is to have any chance to regain some of his lost popularity.

Mikhail Gorbachev, however, probably deserves more credit than any other single individual.

Perhaps the most important outcome of this breakthrough has been the change in attitude among people in the west to the Soviet Union. (Gorbachev, again deserves much credit). It is becoming obvious, (even to Americans) that the myth of the Soviet Union as a vast slave-camp bent on conquering the world is nonsense. Indeed, we in the west have been just as misled about the USSR as Soviet citizens have been about us. Fortunately the winds of 'glasnost' are blowing in both directions.

But western governments and

their apologists are still conducting a disinformation campaign against their own citizens about the 'Soviet threat'. One particularly relevant example is the lie that NATO forces in Europe will be so weak without the Pershing and Cruise missiles that the Soviets might be tempted to start a war. This lie ignores critical facts such as: 1. Tens of thousands of Soviet troops are on the Chinese border, hence no threat to Europe. 2. The Warsaw Pact troops from countries like East Germany and Poland can hardly be considered reliable. 3. Many Soviet troops are only trained for such duties as road construction and guarding borders. 4. The west has a decided technological superiority. 5. NATO still has thousands of nuclear weapons in Europe.

A rough overall conventional balance exists then, while military strategists hold that a

3-1 advantage is usually needed by an attacking force to ensure victory.

Significantly, no one has ever presented a rational scenario to explain why the Soviets would want to start a war in Europe in the first place. As George Kennan, former US ambassador to Moscow wrote: "I have never seen the evidence that the Soviet leaders seriously considered attacking western Europe at any time in these postwar years".

The demise of the 'Evil Empire' myth will make it more difficult for the US to justify such cold war policies as support for the contra terrorists attacking Nicaragua. And in Canada, we have to wonder how long Mulroney will be allowed to put forward misleading arguments to justify continued testing of the Cruise missile over our country.

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Letters

Recollections of Christmas afloat

Editor:

Some 50 miles off the Azores Islands, Christmas 1944 broke clear as a bell, the sun warm and the sea as calm as a summer day on Lost Lagoon.

From the bridge of *HMCS Royalmount*, Lieutenant Commander Davis surveyed his position from the forward sweep of the convoy of some 60 merchant ships spread in line and column over a ten mile checker-board of mirror-like ocean.

Overhead, US warplanes swept over the convoy from their base in the Azores, providing additional protective cover as our entire convoy having reached its most southerly position of the Atlantic crossing, altered course to the northwest heading for rendezvous at the Grand Banks off Newfoundland.

In the early afternoon with prior permission, *HMCS Royalmount* moved into the convoy front and centre and came abreast of the commodore's ship *SS Cavonia* for the exchange of traditional Christmas greetings.

Cavonia's passenger list was something else - about 200 war brides and *Royalmount* was going to put on a show. Our bearded captain had been looking forward to this day since we left our Londonderry base early in December.

Cruising abreast of *Cavonia*, *Royalmount* fired a line to the ship and our Christmas tree was passed. Not to be upstaged, *Cavonia's* captain returned a basket of yuletide cheer. By this time her decks were lined at the

rails with war brides in anticipation.

Aft on *Royalmount's* 12-pounder gundeck, off-watch crew members performed with guitars and accordions. Three clowning seamen dressed in Carmen Miranda fashion and did song and dance routines much to the delight of our near and yet-so-far audience.

Needless to say, more than visions of sugar plums danced in our heads.

True to navy tradition, our bearded captain paraded the gun deck wearing the youngest seaman's uniform, while alongside strutted our youngest seaman of 19 years wearing the captain's uniform to close out our show.

Some days later at rendezvous on the Grand Banks, we relinquished our convoy charges to the local escort group for delivery to Halifax, Boston, and New York while our escort group of six ships made haste for St. John's and a few days ringing in the new year, for this had been our lengthiest crossing of the Atlantic - from dockside Londonderry to dockside Newfoundland, 28 days.

Weeks later on returning to the English Channel, the Irish Sea, and eventually our base in Londonderry, we of *HMCS Royalmount* learned of our yuletide escapades from the New York newspapers, as the war brides were interviewed by the press before scattering themselves to new-found relatives throughout North America, telling of their Christmas at sea.

Richard F. Kennett

Speak for Peace

Editor:

At Christmas our thoughts turn to the story of a star shining in the heavens, proclaiming that a child of peace and hope had been born. The kings which followed the star came to a stable where a child laid in his mother's arms. The child was poor and needing our love.

This December we have a world of children crying for food, education, health and a future. Finally, we have a flicker of hope that the nuclear arms which waste the world's wealth, time, talents and resources will start to be dismantled. Reagan and Gorbachev have signed an historic document to reduce the numbers of medium range missiles in Europe.

For the sake of your children's future, send a card praising this positive action to the White House. Encourage

the two leaders to continue the urgent work towards total nuclear disarmament and to increase funding to meet the basic physical, social and emotional needs of children, especially in the Third World.

Finally, we must speak out against the development of weapons in space. Peace will not be found by placing a battlefield in the stars. Let us leave the stars in the sky to move in silence and hope.

President Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev (White House) 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500 U.S.A.

Denise Bircklein-Lagasse

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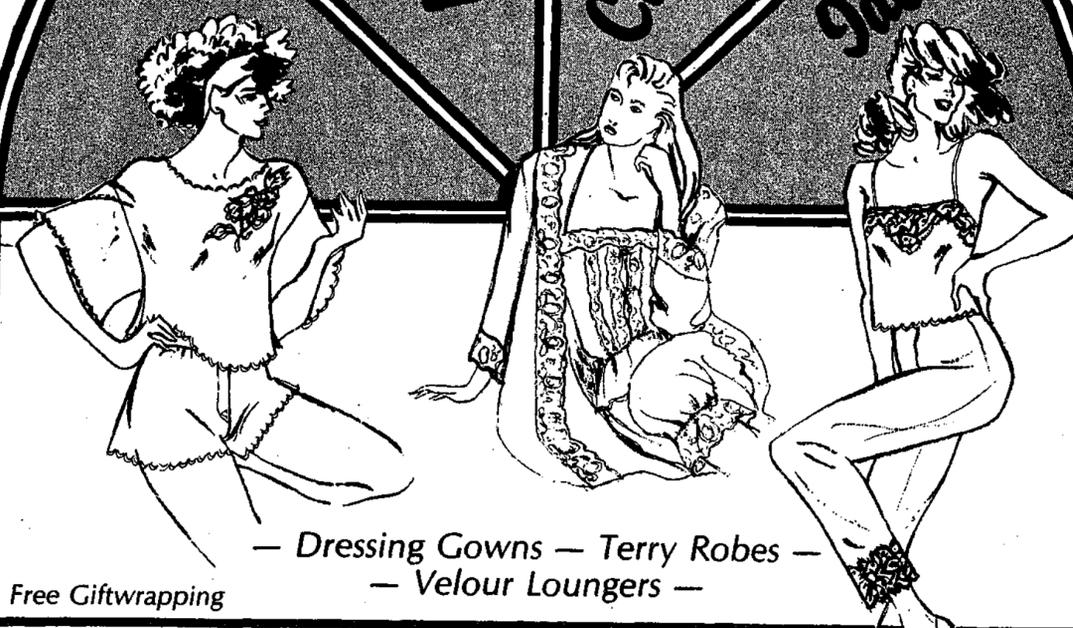


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Weal visit a must

by Jeanie Parker, 885-2163

Be sure to plan a trip to the Weals' to see the Christmas lights one evening soon. It's like a fantasyland and they've done it for the enjoyment of the public.

You can glimpse the lights from the highway but to really see them you have to drive up Oldershaw Road (between Joe Road and the Peninsula Hotel)

and park. Two members of the Roberts Creek Volunteer Fire Department will be on hand to guide you through from 6 to 10 pm every evening from now until the end of the month.

Last year nearly 2000 people visited the Weals. Their donations went to the fire department who put most of the money back into the display, rewiring and upgrading the electrical capacity for the thousands

of lights. Albert and Mary Weal's idea has grown and become a tradition, one which they and the firemen hope to continue in years to come for the pleasure of other people in the community.

FAIRE THANKS

The seventh annual Roberts Creek Craft Faire on December 6 was again a big success. Diana Zornes and the Community Association extend a huge thank you to the people who helped: Amanda Tame for helping with the posters and manning the door all day; Diana's favourite Used Guys, Kevin Shepherd and Bob Zornes, for setting up the sound system for the music; the Roberts Creek Music Man, Ken Dalgleish, and the Centennial Singers for an afternoon of Christmas music to set the mood; Jeanie Parker for her promotion in this column; the happy group of craftspeople, and the 400 or so people who attended the Faire and helped raise funds for the Community Hall.

The winner of the door prize was ticket 1216086. You may take it into Quality Farm Supply to claim your \$20 gift certificate.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Roberts Creek Branch of St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary was held December 7. Reports from the Thrift Shop, Gift Shop, and Extended Care Unit revealed many hours of volunteer work and proved that the fund-raising projects are a success.

Dorothy Bruce installed a new slate of officers for 1988: Kay Bernard as President; Marjorie Mason as Vice-President; Nora Weller as Secretary; Mildred Forbes as Treasurer; and Dorothy Bruce for Membership.

The meeting was followed by a delicious luncheon provided by the Ladies Auxiliary

HOLIDAY MUSIC

'Good Times' returns to the Roberts Creek Legion this weekend. The female duo will be there both Friday and Saturday nights, with special Christmas festivities planned for Saturday.

Larry Bransen is playing at the Legion for New Year's Eve. Tickets are \$15 and \$25 but may be sold out by now so check at the bar. Members and guests welcome.

SANTA LETTERS

Margaret says about 40 letters to Santa have come through the Roberts Creek Post Office so far. This is the last week for kids to deposit their letters in the special box to receive a reply from Mr. Claus.

STARS BORN

Many stars were born at the School's Christmas concert last Thursday night. Kevin and Sue Shepherd have the whole thing on tape and word is it'll be a hot item on the video rental rack at Seaview Market.

PUBLICIZE

A reminder to groups and organization to phone Carole Rubin at 885-7935 by December 24 to publicize your activities and events in the Arts Calendar for January to May.

COUGAR SIGHTED

A cougar was seen in lower Roberts Creek recently. It was early morning on Lower Road in the ravine between Cheryl Anne Park Road and Joe Road.

KUDOS FOR HYDRO

Having lost our power three times in two weeks, I must commend the people at Hydro for their patience and courtesy with the many phone calls they received, especially from me.

RAT PORTAGE AGAIN

There have been so many car accidents lately and there was yet another on Rat Portage Hill last Friday night. A car going up the hill ended up in the ditch on the other side of the road, facing downhill and upside down. Pretty scary stuff.



The ebullient Adam McBride did his bit for the Elves Drive in Sunnycrest Mall last weekend. — Ken Collins photo

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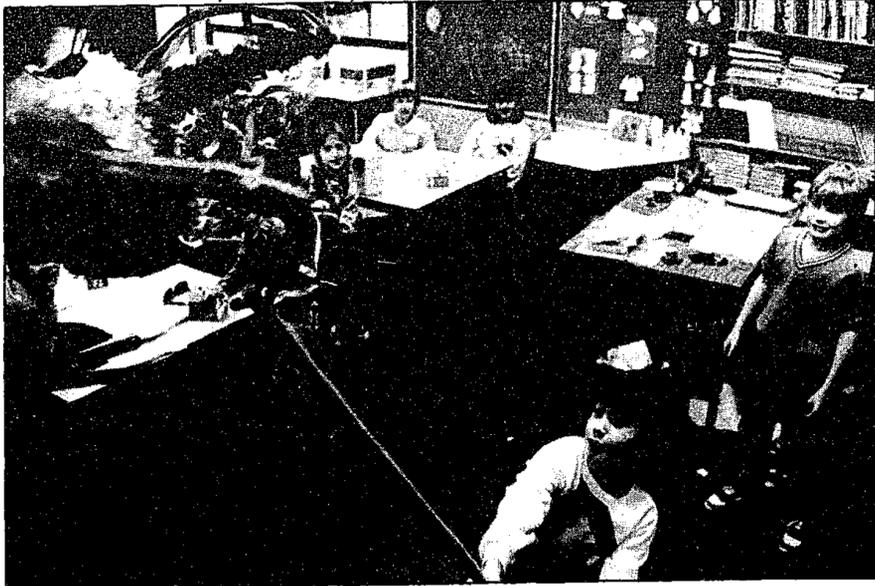
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Thayne Espley, 8 (right), built a Mexican Pinata to share with his Grade 3 classmates at Cedar Grove School last Friday. Full of candy, the sturdy-built papier-mache hanging withstood several direct hits from students picked at random from an eager audience. —Joel Johnstone photo

Retirement proposal struck down

A re-zoning application for a retirement village complex has been struck down by Gibsons' Planning Committee and promoter Jon McRae disagrees with the decision. "I think it's a mistake. An error in judgement," he said of Town Planner Rob Buchan's recommendation to the Town to refuse the zoning application. Buchan reported to the com-

mittee last Tuesday, "While there is little doubt that the site is eminently suitable for the suggested 'retirement village' there is, in my opinion, cause for concern with this application. To the best of my knowledge, no actual developer is waiting in the wings and it is apparent that this request for re-zoning is simply to facilitate sale of the property."

McRae denied that this was the purpose behind the proposal.

Of the lots in question, adjacent to the soon-to-be demolished Ritz Motel between Dougal and Truman Roads, only one of the three required for the project is zoned for such a development under the Official Community Plan (OCP).

Buchan pointed out that the OCP and the Town's Zoning By-law would have to be amended and go to public hearing for a change to take place.

Mayor Diane Strom said, "In the past, council has looked favourably upon that particular area becoming a retirement area but until plans are brought forward I move we comply with Buchan's recommendation."

GVFD election

The Gibsons Volunteer Fire Department is pleased to announce the results of this year's election of officers held on Monday, December 7.

Chief, Randy Rodrigue; Deputy Chief, Stan Stubbs; Assistant Chief, Mel Buckmaster; Captain, Training, Wally Dempster; Captains, Cliff Mahlman and Wayne Taylor; Lieutenants, Larry Ennis, Tim Koftinoff, Mike Rendleman, Gordie Ross and

Graham Webb.

The GVFD's annual Christmas draw was held on Monday, December 12. RCMP Constable Russ Pederson made the draw. The winners were: Liza Zroback, \$600; Marty Payne, \$400; Blain Hagedorn, \$300; and Lonnie Allen, \$200.

Blain Hagedorn kindly donated his winnings to the Gibsons and District Kinsmen to help in their fund raising for the Jaws of Life.

Elves hard at work

We are busy! Please bring your food items and gifts to our depots before December 18 because Make Hamper Day is Friday, December 18 and we will be at the Gibsons Pentecostal Church Hall on School Road, just down from the RCMP office. Volunteers call Sandra at 886-3320.

Deliver Hamper Day is Saturday, December 19 so please be at home. Drivers please call John at 886-3346 evenings.

Applications - it is too late to mail hamper applications but you can phone Lil at 886-7743 or Bev at 886-9876.

The men who fished and sold herring all rainy weekend have helped us distribute lots of Christmas hampers. All of us in the Elves Club wish you a Merry Christmas and many more.

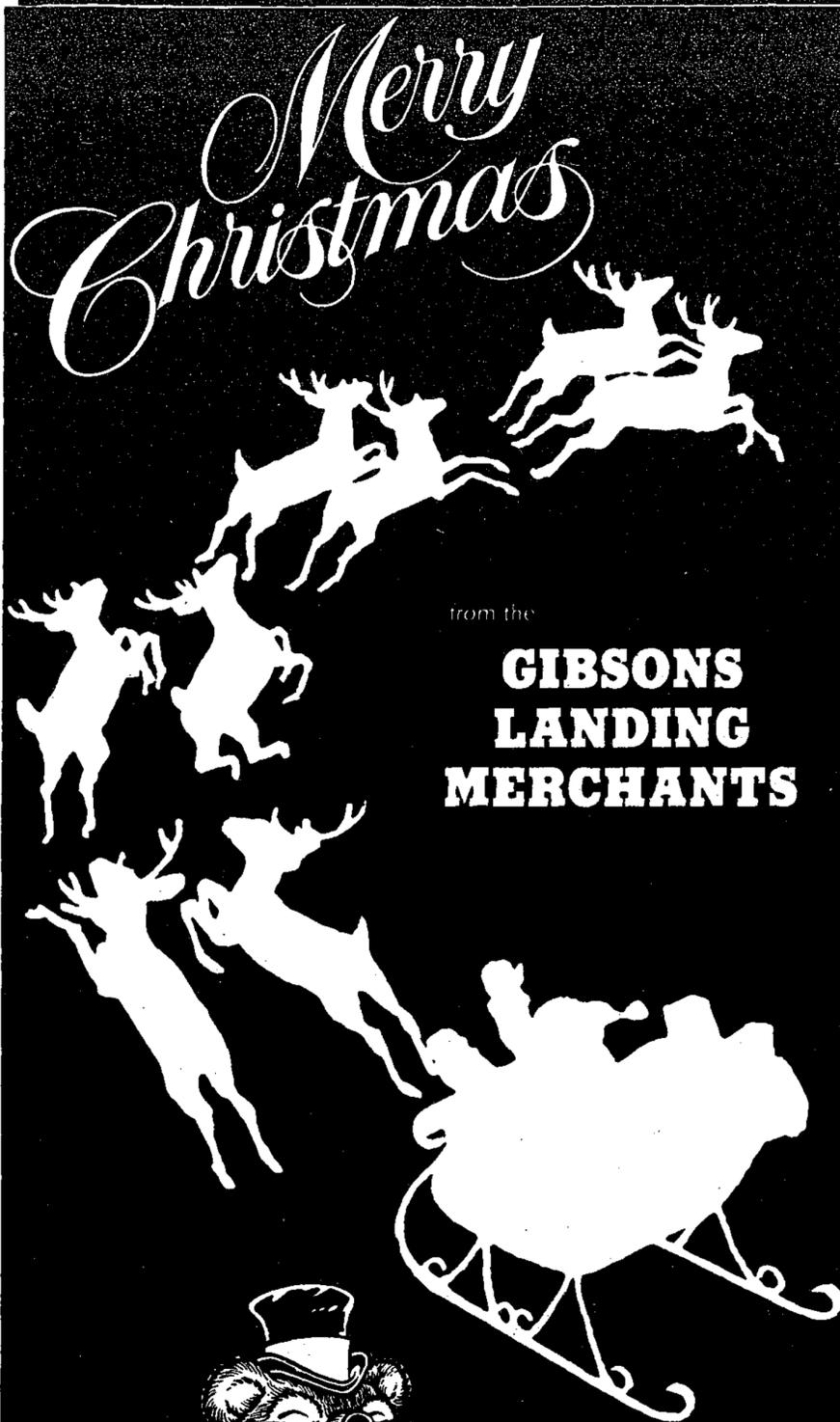
Coastal Christmas

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ed. We now had a few more feet of clearance so I returned to the engine room once again. This time I must have touched the right thing, because I gave the crank one pull and the engine started! To this day I don't know what the trouble was, and it never happened again. Anyway we were not quite home free yet.

I jumped out of the well and gently eased the clutch ahead, gradually increasing power till the ship started to move slowly forward against the gale force wind and nasty seas. I just kept it coming slowly forward till it lifted the anchor off the bottom. I was taking no chances, but kept creeping ahead, knowing that if I tried to increase speed there was the danger of the anchor cable being drawn into the propeller, particularly with the vessel pitching like it was. I think it may have been half an hour before I was dead sure that I was well clear of the bluff with the whole of Lewis Channel clear and astern of us. Then, and then only, I turned the wheel over to Glenys to keep the ship's head into the wind while I got out on deck and winched in the anchor. An hour later we were singing carols and toasting the season in the Tindall's snug living room at Refuge Cove.

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George in Gibsons

Former locals gain prominence

by George Cooper, 886-8520

Two teachers who were at one time on the staff of Gibsons Elementary School have been prominent in news out of Vancouver this past year; news, that is, of teacher reaction to Bill 20. Alan Crawford and Maureen, who was then Crawford but returned to her former surname of MacDonald in 1975 in National Women's Year, taught here in 1969-71, their first school.

Alan was in the brand new 'open area', and Maureen in a Grade 5-6 class as well as being director of the school glee club. When they left Gibsons to return to Vancouver, "We did miss the city," they soon found positions in the school system there. Alan has taught in several schools, one an alternate secondary, and Maureen, following a further year of study, as an elementary librarian. Both are graduates of UBC.

Both Alan and Maureen have devoted themselves to Teacher Association business, a good deal of it as full time executives. Maureen has served two terms as a volunteer member of the B.C. Teachers Federation

(BCTF), and she has been chairperson of the BCTF Status of Women committee. She has also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Teachers Association. Maureen is at present in her third year as president of the Vancouver Elementary School Teachers Association (VESTA), a full time position.

Alan is in his second year as vice-president of the BCTF, and he, too, has been president of VESTA from 1978-81, and a volunteer BCTF executive member as well. Both of their present positions are particularly demanding in this year of teacher re-organization under Bill 20.

Now that the initial yammering of teachers has given way to the hard work of organizing themselves under the new regulations, the teachers are determined at the same time to preserve their provincial association, the BCTF, which Bill 20 gives no legal status to. To organize district by school district as local unions or as local associations is the requirement of Bill 20.

Since the new law gives unions the right to bargain with

employers, but gives few rights to associations, teachers in vast numbers throughout the province are supporting the campaign to organize as unions.

And the teachers of every district are now bustling through the preparatory stages that lead to the vote this coming January, conducted by the Industrial Relations Council, which will determine whether a local is to be a certified union.

A simple majority in that vote will determine that the union is the sole bargaining agent in any particular school district. It is noteworthy that other unions have left the teachers alone to do their own organizing.

In the present initial 'signing-up' process over 70 districts out of the 75 in the province have shown their intention to unionize. Not one district so far has indicated that it wishes to be an association.

While at the business of signing-up, teachers will be also indicating that they wish to support financially the provincial body, their B.C. Teachers Federation. Although, as has been noted,

the BCTF is given no status at all in Bill 20, teachers will show by this support that their 70-year old provincial association is their own form of solidarity. And their campaign this fall has aggressively set out to accomplish this aim.

But organizing into unions is only a preliminary to next spring's negotiations with the school boards. Where contracts heretofore have been governed in many ways by government regulation, now every detail is on the bargaining table. Academic freedom, for example, which means the choosing and applying of curriculum, and membership in committees to decide policy, and rules of work, and sick leave, as well as salaries.

"For decades teachers have wanted to bargain all conditions of employment," said Maureen MacDonald, "and that is one good thing that Bill 20 has done for us."

This Bill 20, as you can see, puts a tremendous responsibility on our school boards, too. Are they going to meet this challenge to see that our public is well served by any contract that is negotiated?

The public of the Sunshine Coast would serve itself well if it concerned itself more directly in what goes on in the education system. Smaller classes, for example, are not an incontrovertible means to better instruction of pupils.

Keep a watchful eye on the education processes in your school district. They are your children that are in it, and of less importance, of course, your taxes.



Salvation Army Major Leo Porter and Alderman Lilian Kunstler officially opened the Salvation Army Thrift Store at Seaview Place in Gibsons on Saturday. —Ken Collins photo

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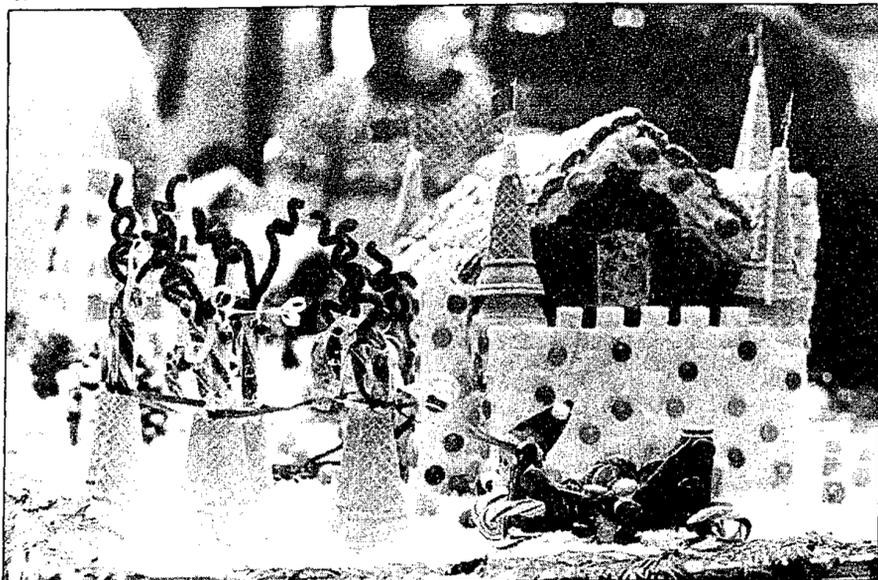
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Debbie Fielding and April Charlton from Madeira Park won first place in the first annual Sunshine Coast Gingerbread House contest. Judging was by Rich Mennie, Gwen Robinson and Corby Coffin at Sunnycrest Mall last Saturday. —Ken Collins photo

Aquaculture cleans up

The aquaculture industry appears to be one step ahead of the government in handling the disposal of fish mortalities (morts) at local farms. Clark Hamilton, representing the Aquaculture Association, told a meeting of the Foreshore Advisory Task Force last week that there are plans in the works to begin collecting the morts in January.

According to Hamilton, the project is being initiated by former association president, Syd Heal, who will arrange for the morts to be hauled to a pet food plant in the Lower Mainland.

His comments were made in response to an information item presented by Chairman Gordon Wilson, who told the members that he was bringing a motion to

the next Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) board meeting which would address the problem of waste disposal at aquaculture sites.

Wilson's idea was to request tenders for the collection of domestic garbage and sewage as well as morts from other sites. There has been increasing concern about the dumping of dead fish at local dumps and human sewage in the Secht Inlet.

White Tower applauded

by Joel Johnstone

Second and third reading was given to Municipal Property Lease Bylaw 583 on December 1, by Gibsons Council. In effect, the lease agreement between the town and the White Tower Medieval Society (WTMS) will allow the society to close or limit access to the park as long as the town is notified in advance.

Last month, the society received a pat on the back from Planner Rob Buchan for a job well-done although the job isn't complete yet.

For the last two years WTMS members have been clearing 10 acres of land adjacent to the swimming pool to create a public park and an area where they can hold archery events and stage some of the historically-based antics their society was formed to enjoy.

"What is developing there," Buchan said, "is a very pretty, attractive municipal park. The society is to be commended."

The clearing is more evident now that a bulldozer hired by the society has piled much of the slash accumulated from the handslashing of the volunteer force. They also propose to construct two dry ponds which would attract much of the runoff flowing into the park area during heavy rains thereby easing some strain on drainage facilities in Lower Gibsons.

The town and the society will enter into the lease agreement on terms the society will pay one dollar a year for 10 years for use of the park for their events.

Register for Supplynet

After a one month delay, the Gibsons and District Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that the SupplyNet registration forms have arrived. Businesses operating within Gibsons and District are invited to take advantage of this new program, sponsored by the Ministry of Economic Development and local Chambers of Commerce.

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Gibsons committees appointed

At the inaugural meeting in Gibsons last Monday, Mayor Diane Strom announced a new approach to committee appointments. Planning, Public Works, and Finance will be handled by a committee of the whole, chaired by Deputy Mayor Alderman Norm Peterson.

Peterson will also be Strom's alternate on the Sunshine Coast Regional District board and will attend all meetings with her.

Lilian Kunstler will represent Gibsons on the Coast Garibaldi Union Board of Health and the Provincial Emergency Program.

Gerry Dixon, who has just been re-elected for a three year term as alderman, will sit on the West Howe Sound Fire Commission, the Library Commission, and the Aquatic Commission.

Newly elected Alderman John Reynolds will be handling Gibsons affairs on the West Howe Sound Recreation Commission and the Economic Development Commission.

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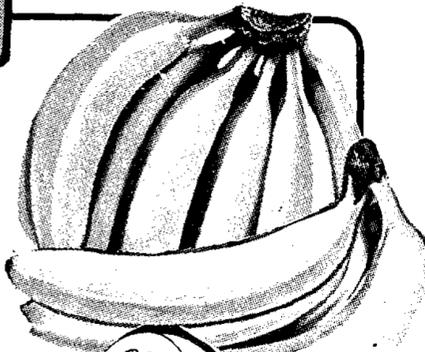
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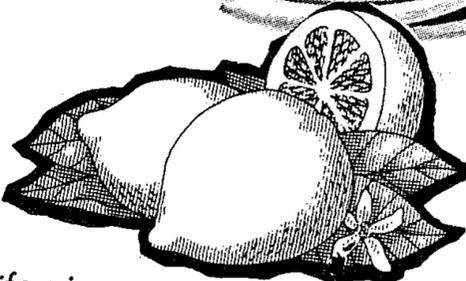
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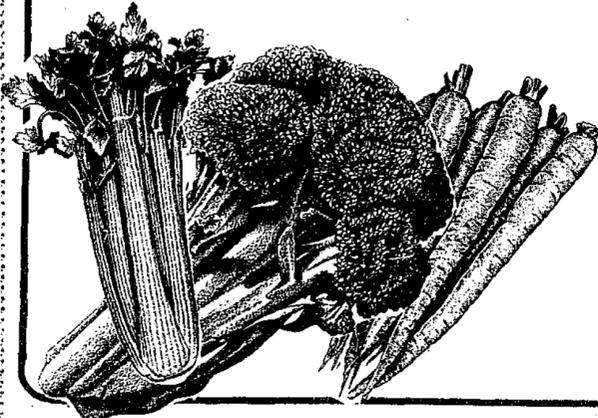
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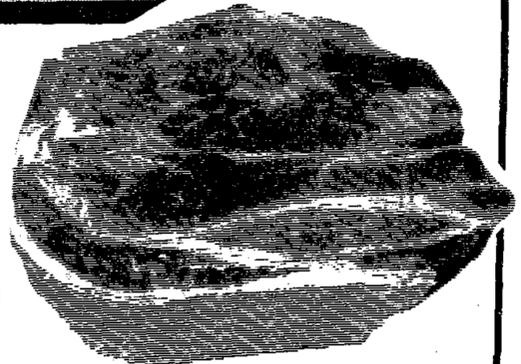
B.C. - 3 lb cello bag
carrots each **.59**



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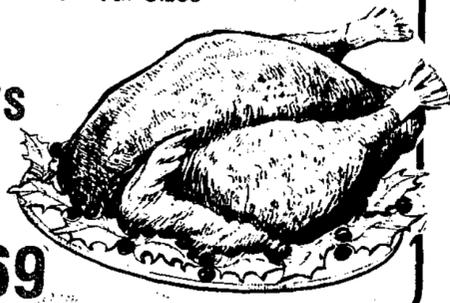
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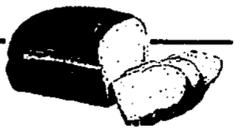
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I'M AT THE STAGE

where I'm making lists! Sometimes the lists get carried on from one day to the other. One thing, however, is true...if it's not on the list it doesn't get done. Sometimes that's nature's way of gleaning out the unnecessary. Sometimes it nearly causes family trauma. Take, for instance, the night I'd promised apple pie and discovered it was nearly bedtime - it would be one of those days when they'd all been so good and I hadn't had to scream at them once! I'm just such a sucker for big eyes and sad faces! I grabbed a box of filo pastry from the freezer, nuked it swiftly and served them...

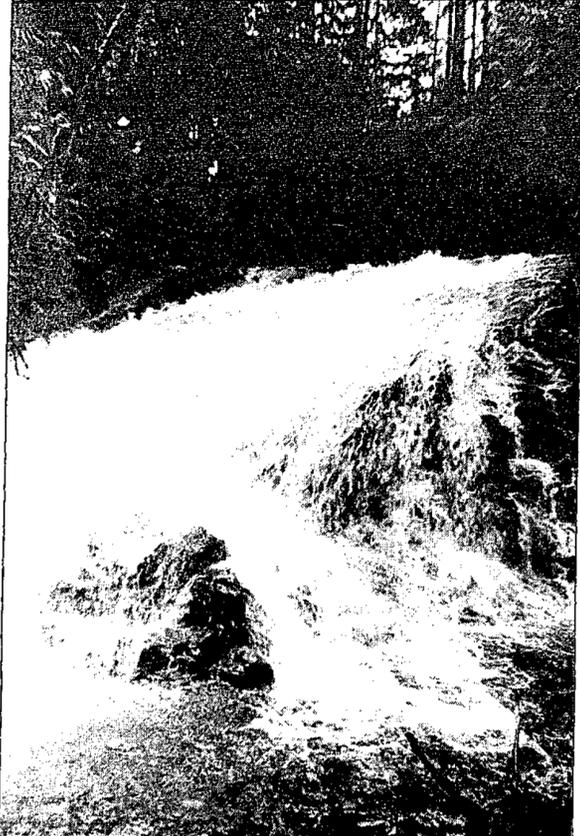
PEACHY APPLE PIE

- 12 sheets filo pastry (speedily thawed)
- 1/2 cup melted butter
- 2 apples, cored and sliced
- 1 tablespoon sultana raisins
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 package instant peach glaze
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons peach brandy
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
- 2 tablespoons flaked almonds
- 2 tablespoons sugar

1. Brush a 9x13 pie dish lightly with butter.
2. Bottom layer - 4 sheets filo, each lightly buttered.
3. Apple layer - place apple slices over filo, sprinkle with brown sugar, cinnamon, cloves and cardamom.
4. 4 more slices buttered filo.
5. Mix peach glaze with lemon juice and peach brandy, spread over filo.
6. Last four layers of filo, buttered. Butter top sheet, curl the side pieces inwards to neaten edges. Sprinkle with almonds and sugar.
7. Bake for 5 minutes at 400°F, 15 minutes at 350°F and serve warm with peaches 'n cream ice cream.

That's one for you Suzanne!
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Nature lovers may soon be able to enjoy a hotdog and coke from the concession stand as they watch this thundering waterfall at Cliff Gilker Park, thanks to a development grant from the provincial government. —Penny Fuller photo

Grant to change Cliff Gilker Park

A grant of \$43,616 to the Sunshine Coast Regional District was announced today by Provincial Secretary Elwood Veitch. The award from the B.C. Lottery Fund will assist with improvements to Cliff Gilker Park in Roberts Creek.

"The parks in the area are constantly overbooked," said Veitch, minister responsible for the Fund. "This facility when complete will alleviate the problem and will be the only park on the coast with lighting." Mackenzie MLA Harold

Long, joined Veitch in the announcement. "Cliff Gilker Park is one of the most picturesque along the Sunshine Coast. The local citizens are proud that some episodes of the television show, *The Beachcombers*, are shot here. I am pleased that the Lottery Fund is supporting such community development projects that will benefit a great number of people."

The planned improvements include the construction of a concession stand and storage building, a track, and sound and lighting equipment.

Pender Seniors Christmas dinner

by Pat Mitchell

The Pender Harbour Seniors held their annual Christmas dinner at the Legion hall in Madeira Park on Tuesday, December 8. There were 35 who attended and the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary headed by Irene Crabb, put on a most delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

The lights were dimmed and with the Christmas tree, candles on the table, a lovely centrepiece and Christmas crackers, it looked very festive.

President Pat Mitchell mentioned how pleased we all were that Irene and Ted Temple were able to join us, and how sad we were that they were moving away. They will be very much missed.

It was also announced that Mary Ledingham has agreed to be our new president for the coming year; Bernice Corns our new secretary; Ede McNaughton to be in charge of the coffee urn, and Flo Burroughs to assist. John Logan has agreed to carry on as treasurer and we are all very grateful to all of

them for agreeing to carry on the tasks for the coming year.

Santa's helper was unable to obtain his beautiful red suit but Santa, himself, decided to abandon his usual garb and came forward in a smart business suit and greeted all the ladies with their gifts. Our thanks to Frank McWhinnie who did a great job as our Santa. Everyone was called up in turn to receive their gifts.

This was followed by some beautiful singing by the Community Choir, headed by Mrs. Fowler and led by Dan Chaplin. The ladies of the choir were enjoyed so very much. We had our usual fun game, with lots of mixups and laughs.

Sorely missed were Art Bishop and Beverly Blight. Beverly has not been at all well and we wish her all the best and hope for a speedy recovery.

For those who could not come, you missed a great evening and we hope you will be able to be there next year.

The compliments of the season to everybody and all the best for the coming year.

Salvation Army plays a community role

While Christmas is a time of joy and sharing, we are also aware that for some, Christmas is a time of want and the Salvation Army along with other community organizations works diligently through the season to ease that want.

The Salvation Army is asking those who would like to attend a Christmas party this year, that their names be in no later than December 18. There is room for 125 children and 75 adults.

Registration must be made at the Salvation Army Thrift Store, Seaview Place, Gibsons, between 12 and 4 pm, Monday December 14 until Thursday, December 17.

At Christmas the Salvation Army in this community is pro-

viding a Christmas party. They also supply sunshine bags, which are bags of treats delivered to those in nursing homes and hospitals. A carol service is also being done at Kiwanis Village.

At this time they would like to thank everyone for their donations and pray that you have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. God Bless.

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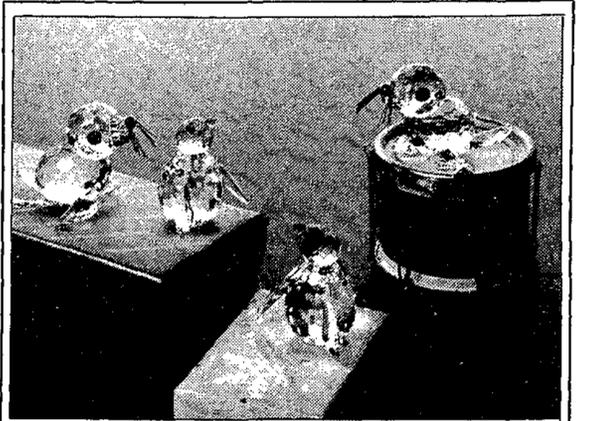
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Trail Bay Centre, Sechelt

Gibsons pursues park funding

by Joel Johnstone

Sechelt's Kinnikinnik Park JobTrac Program, which successfully completed a trail system near Rockwood Lodge, may be a model for a similar project in Gibsons.

Gibsons Planning Committee hopes to petition the local Chamber of Commerce to apply to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training for a grant to fund a trail system to loop through the arrowhead-shaped marshland behind Har-

mony Hall, between Cochrane Road and Burns Road, unofficially known as Harmony Park.

The Town does not qualify for the program, which is designed for non-profit organizations and chambers of commerce only. But noting the merits of having five to six persons presently on social assistance go to work under a foreman for a better wage than they receive currently, the committee voted to investigate the possibility.

The land was designated as park area in 1979, and later outlined in the 1985 Official Community Plan as a potential nature park. Planner Rob Buchan has informed council and the planning committee the area is a natural habitat of various bird species and believes the trail system could be accomplished at a relatively low cost if the Chamber of Commerce were to undertake the project.

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Jean Robinson (right) and Mayor Bud Koch officially transferred the Wilson Creek Family Centre from the Wilson Creek/Davis Bay Community Association to the District of Sechelt last Friday.

—Ken Collins photo

Halfmoon Bay Happenings

Two ladies pass

by Ruth Forrester, 885-2418

Two very well known and much loved ladies of Halfmoon Bay passed away this week. It was on Wednesday, December 9 when Ruby Warne died.

Ruby was 84 years of age and had lived on Redrooffs for the past 30 years, 23 of which were spent happily with Ed Edmunds. She leaves one son and three grandchildren in Kelowna and a sister in Nanaimo.

For many years Ruby was an active member of the Halfmoon Bay Hospital Auxiliary and she gave much of her time and energy to the Welcome Beach Community Association. We all knew her as a good kind lady and we will miss her. Our sympathies to Ed and to all the family.

At Ruby's own request there will be no service.

The other lovely lady who left us is Carrie Surtees who together with husband Ted came to Halfmoon Bay in 1954 when Carrie took over as teacher at Halfmoon Bay school. She remained in this position for some 14 years. At that time the school was fairly primitive as there was no running water or electricity, but Carrie coped beautifully with the situation.

She was made a Life Member of Branch 140 Canadian Legion as well as Past Noble Grand Lady of Rebecca Lodge 82 and a member of the OES. Many

friends gathered to pay their last respects to Carrie at a funeral service at St. Hilda's Church on Saturday, December 12.

Our thoughts are with Ted and family at this sad time.

AUXILIARY EXECUTIVE

The new Executive of the Halfmoon Bay Hospital Auxiliary are as follows: Jean Mercer, President; Marjorie Ross, Vice-President; and Treasurer, Marg Engstrom. The luncheon at which these ladies will be officially installed is today, December 14 at the Pebbles.

GRANDPARENTS

Bill and Mary Ewan of Eureka have again become proud grandparents. A third little boy has been born to Glen and Bev Ewan of Golden. He has been named Jordan Patrick. Congratulations Bill and Mary.

NEW YEAR'S

There are still some tickets available for the Welcome Beach New Year's party, so order yours now by calling Marg Vorley at 885-9032.

CHRISTMAS SHOW

Tonight, Monday, December 14 is the big night for the kids of Halfmoon Bay school and their parents. The Welcome Beach hall will no doubt be filled to capacity with all of us who get so much pleasure out of watching our local children perform in their annual Christmas show. Best get there early to be sure of a seat.

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Davis Bay News & Views

by Jean Robinson, 885-2954

There is no date set yet for the annual caroling in Davis Bay. However, beginning December 19, leave your porch lights on for an hour or two and hope you will be the lucky recipient of a visit from the joyous carolers.

GENERAL MEETING

The general meeting of the Davis Bay/Wilson Creek Community Association is tonight at 7:30 pm at the Wilson Creek Hall of course. After a brief meeting we will be having refreshments and carol singing. Bring the song sheets you received in your Coast News of December 7.

FAMILY CENTRE

On Friday, December 11, the land that the Wilson Creek Family Centre is on was signed over to the District of Sechelt with blessings of the Department of Lands and Forests. This was done with the understanding that the District will lease the house and garage to the Sunshine Coast Home Support Society at a nominal fee. The District will continue to maintain Brookman Park, as a park.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

There will be a New Year's party at the Wilson Creek Hall. The tickets are \$5 each and can be obtained at the Peninsula Market in Davis Bay, or by phoning Sue or Bill LeNeve at 885-7490.

ITEMS

There are still people on our Coast going hungry through no fault of their own. Don't forget the Food Bank needs donations to help those less fortunate.

Davis Bay welcomes the Terry Francis family to the neighbourhood. The two youngest children are already in Davis Bay school while the eldest daughter attends Chatelech Senior Secondary.

FREE

Maria Lwowski has a five year old apricot terry-poo dog to give to some adult that can give him a good and loving home. This neutered male dog has had all his shots. He thinks he's human but is a good watchdog. Phone Maria at 885-5532.

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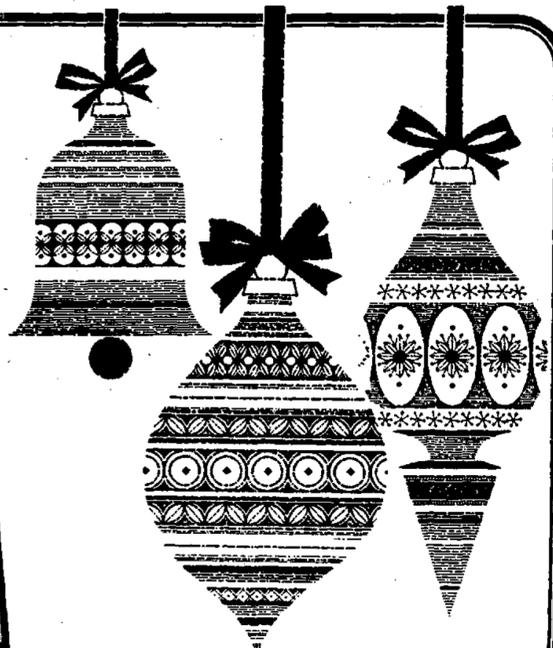
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Sechelt Scenario

School concert on the 16th

by Peggy Connor, 885-9347

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Christmas concert time is here and what a great way to get in the spirit of the season. Wednesday, December 16 is the West Sechelt Elementary School annual Christmas concert. The evening performance starts at 7 pm and is open to all parents and other residents.

A non-perishable food collection is taking place at the school and anyone may leave donations at the school in the boxes in the main hallway or by the gym entrance. All will go for the food hampers distributed by the Elves' Club.

A parents' decorating party for the school gym starts at 7:30 pm on Monday, December 14.

School's out December 18, and resumes January 4, 1988.

HONOUR ROLL W.S.

Honourable mention students: first term, grade seven; Yvonne Regnerus and Bobbi-Lynn Bricknell. Grade six; Melanie Bessler, Gina Luoma and Tuula Kallio. Grade five; Ilana Fraser and Ryan Lowrey. Grade four; Cindy Archer, Lafurenne Barnsley, Duane Mielke and Jenny Pauls.

Honour roll students, first term, grade seven; Dawn Shanks, Sarah Gallagher, Tricia Lee, Jordan Guignard, Melissa Gerring, Jason Alger, Jason Baggio and Lyrae Emerson.

That well decorated tree opposite the Royal Bank in the mall is the work of the West Sechelt Elementary School students.

ST. MARY'S BRANCH

This week is your last chance to put your name in the 'in lieu of sending Christmas cards'. Leave your donation and name at Bobbie's Shoes or contact Doris Gower.

The Sechelt Branch to St. Mary's Hospital held a very successful bazaar on December 5.

The annual meeting of the Sechelt branch was held over a really fine buffet lunch at Pebbles on Monday, December 7.

In-service hours for volunteers was 2,990, added to the other working hours, i.e. crafts, thrift shop, etc. A grand total of 18,074 hours were achieved. Through their efforts this year this branch will turn over \$6,500 to the auxiliary to St. Mary's Hospital. The money raisers for this year were business lunch, bridge, fashion show and bazaar.

Remembrance of valued members who passed away this year was observed. These included Ada Dawe, Rae Fitzgerald, Audrey Jost and Mort Reid.

A presentation was made to Mrs. Muriel Hutchison, of an auxiliary spoon, as well as a special gift from members who had worked with Muriel. Muriel has been a fantastic volunteer, having served as volunteer director, president, chairing at one time or another every money raiser held by the branch, and bringing in innumerable new members.

Muriel and Adam are moving away from the Sunshine Coast to Summerland. They will be missed but not forgotten.

Nominating chairman Muriel Hutchinson's slate of officers were elected, and Ted Wright, administrator for St. Mary's Hospital performed the candle-lighting ceremony that saw them installed. Instead of Peggy Gallos being presented with a past president pin, she asked that she be pinned with her mother's pin. She had been the first president of Surrey Hospital Auxiliary.

Hospital decorating for ECU will take place on Thursday, December 17 at 1:15 and for the rest of the hospital at 9:30 am. Contact volunteer director Erika Wright.

SCBPWC
Sunshine Coast Business and Professional Women's Club

joined with the Gibsons B & P club for a Christmas party at the Sechelt Rod and Gun Club Tuesday, December 8. It was a time of fun exchanging and re-exchanging of gifts. The dinner was a vast variety of finger foods of excellent quality all provided by the members with the Gibsons club bringing a delectable array of desserts, all calorie free, of course.

A special guest was a member of the Mazatlan Business and Professional Women's Club in Mexico. She was Vicky Nuno, who couldn't speak English, but was the guest of Ailia McNutt who is fluent in both languages. Vicky communicated well without words and was a lively addition to the party.

Egmont News

Get dance tickets

by Ann Cook, 883-9253

John Henry's in Garden Bay, Fritz Family Restaurant in Earls Cove, Frances' Take Out or the Oak Tree Market in Madeira Park are the places to pick up tickets for the New Year's Eve dance in the Pender Harbour Community Hall. Music by Ken Dalglish, plus door prizes, midnight snacks, hats and noise makers (19 and over, \$15 per person).

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NEWS NEEDS NEWS

Egmont News needs news, do you have an announcement to make or something interesting to pass on, even a rumour, news of do-gooders or do-badders, or even a gripe, pass it on to me or Betty Silvey.

Cedar Plaza plans get prompt approval

Plans to convert Cedar Plaza into a motor hotel are quickly through the approval stages.

Last Tuesday, Gibsons Planning Committee voted to allow required zoning changes to the lot, but final approval will have to wait until Town Planner Rob Buchan and the Ministry of Transportation and Highways have finished putting it through its paces.

Part of the proposal would have allowed two-way access onto Highway 101 from a current one-way access. Buchan told the committee a two-way access in that location would be enough to 'render this stretch of Highway 101 the most accident-prone on the Sunshine Coast, and this proposed addition of yet another access is considered neither desirable nor necessary'.

Committee members agreed and will include restriction of the access to one way in their by-law amendment. Also, the aspect of the project concerning access will have to go through a screening process by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways following first and second readings of the by-law because their requirements governing access to and from the highway differ from those of the Town.

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Ltd., on behalf of plaza owners, North West Life Assurance of Canada Ltd., has also proposed to provide 47 guest rooms, related service rooms, a reception office, manager's suite and three general purpose rooms as part of the project. An additional building would also include a swimming pool, jacuzzi, whirlpool, saunas and related change and washrooms with the pub and restaurant inclusive.

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7:30 am	3:30 pm M	6:20 am	2:30 pm	6:40 am	4:30 pm	5:45 am	3:30 pm
9:30 M	5:30	8:30 M ¹	4:30	8:20*	6:30	7:35*	5:30
11:30	7:25 M	10:30	6:30	10:30	8:30	9:25	7:30
1:15 pm	9:15	12:25 pm M	8:20 M	12:25 pm	10:20	11:30	9:30
				2:30*		1:30 pm*	

M denotes Maverick Bus
M¹ denotes no Maverick Bus on Sundays
*Scheduled December 24, 26, 27, 28

Gibsons BUS	OMEGA Terminal	*6:02	Gibsons Marina	*6:00	Sunnycrest Mall	*5:55	Lower Shelter	*6:03	Ferry Terminal	*6:10
*Note there will be no "First Ferry" run on Saturdays & Holidays No Bus Service Sundays	7:45	9:45	11:45	1:45	3:45	5:45	7:45	9:45	11:45	1:45
	7:47	9:47	11:47	1:47	3:47	5:47	7:47	9:47	11:47	1:47
	8:00	10:00	12:00	2:00	4:00	6:00	8:00	10:00	12:00	2:00
	8:03	10:03	12:03	2:03	4:03	6:03	8:03	10:03	12:03	2:03

MINI-BUS SCHEDULE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Leaves Sechelt for Gibsons	8:40 a.m.	8:40 a.m.	8:40 a.m.	8:40 a.m.	8:40 a.m.
The Dock, Cowrie Street	*10:00 a.m.	*10:00 a.m.	*10:00 a.m.	*10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
	1:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	
	*3:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	*3:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	3:15 p.m.
Leaves Gibsons for Sechelt	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	9:15 a.m.
Lower Gibsons	*10:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	*10:45 a.m.	11:45 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
Municipal Parking Lot, Gower Pt. Rd.	*1:35 p.m.	1:50 p.m.	*1:35 p.m.	*1:35 p.m.	
	4:00 p.m.	*4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	*4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.

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Sechelt Seniors

Bill Scott passes

by Larry Grafton

It is with regret we note the passing of Bill Scott on December 5. Bill was president of Branch 69 for two years, and of course, Joyce was actively a participant in Branch affairs along with him. He was instrumental in the forming of our 69ers singing group and was an active participant in the group until recently. He served faithfully on our building committee for some years, giving freely of his advice and time. His last contribution to our Branch was as a 'caller' for our bingo sessions. Our sympathy is extended at this time to Joyce and family.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

With the holiday season creeping up on us, the 'shut-down' and 'start-up' schedule for our Branch activities are as follows:

Cribbage and Whist will be stopping on December 15 and starting up on January 5; Ag-gregation, December 8, January 12; Carpet Bowling, December 14, January 4; Five-Pin Bowling, December 18, January 7; Exercises, December 14, January 4; Crafts, December 3, January 7; Painting, December 9, January 6; Bridge, December 12, January 9; Square Dancing, December 18, January 7; and Social Bingo, November 26, January 14.

With regard to the preceding activities, all members should bear in mind that these gather-

ings have been programmed for the benefit and enjoyment of every one of our members. If you haven't carpet bowled, played aggravation or worked on crafts, don't let it hold you back from attending. Your participation will serve to further the main purpose of our Branch and to provide the fellowship that lonely people particularly need.

REMINISCING

Remember the days when Dad said, "Be in by 10!" and you thought to yourself, "Bah!" or possibly maybe something considerably stronger. Then take a wee look at the following from the December issue of the *Elder Statesman* which is credited to the 'Senior Scene' of Tacoma, Washington.

FATHER

- 4 years: My Dad can do anything.
- 7 years: My Dad knows a lot, a whole lot.
- 8 years: My Dad doesn't quite know everything.
- 12 years: Oh well, naturally Father doesn't know everything.
- 14 years: Father? Hopelessly old-fashioned.
- 21 years: Oh, that man is out-of-date. What did you expect?
- 25 years: He knows a little bit about it, but not much.
- 30 years: Must find out what Dad thinks about this.
- 35 years: A little patience. Let's get Dad's meaning first.
- 50 years: What would Dad have thought about it?
- 60 years: My Dad knew literally everything.
- 65 years: I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more. It sounds like a familiar pattern!



Students entertained a delighted audience at the Pender Harbour Music Society's annual Christmas Ball last weekend.

—Myrtle Winchester photo

Pender Patter

Musical raffle

by Myrtle Winchester, 883-9302

At their annual Christmas Ball, the Pender Harbour Music Society raffled a Panasonic radio/cassette player (guess they're not called ghetto blasters here), a prize they felt was more appropriate to the event and the society than the usual Texas Mickey. Congratulations to winner Sherry Dumaresque of Garden Bay, and to the Music Society for a touch of class.

Ian Mackay won the raffle for society members, his choice of a record album or cassette.

LEGION EVENTS

Tonight, December 14, at the regular Branch 112 Legion meeting election of officers will take place, and coming up this Saturday is the biggest and the last meat draw of 1987.

WILDLIFE SOCIETY

At the Pender Harbour Wildlife Society elections on November 18, Billy Griffith and Annie Smith were re-elected respectively as President and Secretary.

The following new officers were elected: Iris Griffith, Recording Secretary; Charles Paine, Treasurer; Pam Hederson and Iris Griffith, Program and Publicity Officers; Ron Malcolm, Membership Officer. There will be no Wildlife Society meeting this month.

DIABETIC LUNCHEON

The local chapter of the Canadian Diabetes Association is sponsoring a potluck luncheon for diabetics and guests at the St. Mary's Hospital boardroom in Sechelt on December 18 from 3 to 5 pm.

Bring a small gift for exchange, and call Pam Hederson (883-9308) for more information on the event or car pooling.

PLAYSCHOOL

Serendipity Playschool in the old Ranger Station Centre is now conducting registration for the term beginning on January 4. Registration must be completed by December 18.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Another New Year's Eve celebration in Madeira Park, this one at the Community Hall with the music of Ken Dalglish and his six-piece band.

The evening includes dancing, door prizes, novelties, midnight snacks, and a Texas Mickey raffle.

Tickets are available at the Oak Tree Market and Frances' Take Out in Madeira Park, John Henry's in Garden Bay and the Fritz Family Restaurant in Earls Cove for \$15.

SWAP MEET CANCELLED

There will be no community hall swap meet in January but regular first-Saturday-of-the-month meets resume in February.

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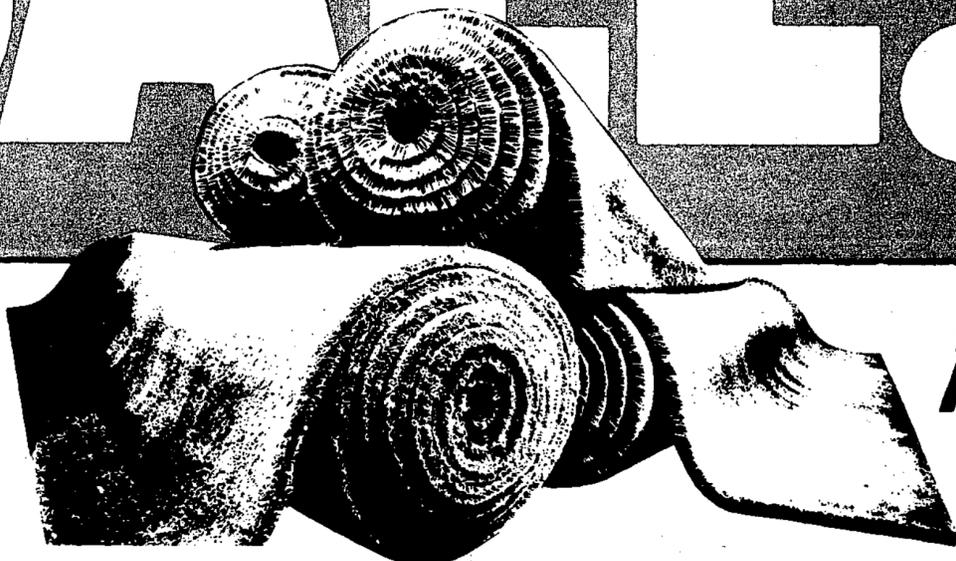
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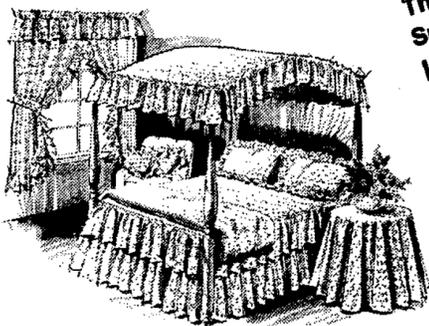
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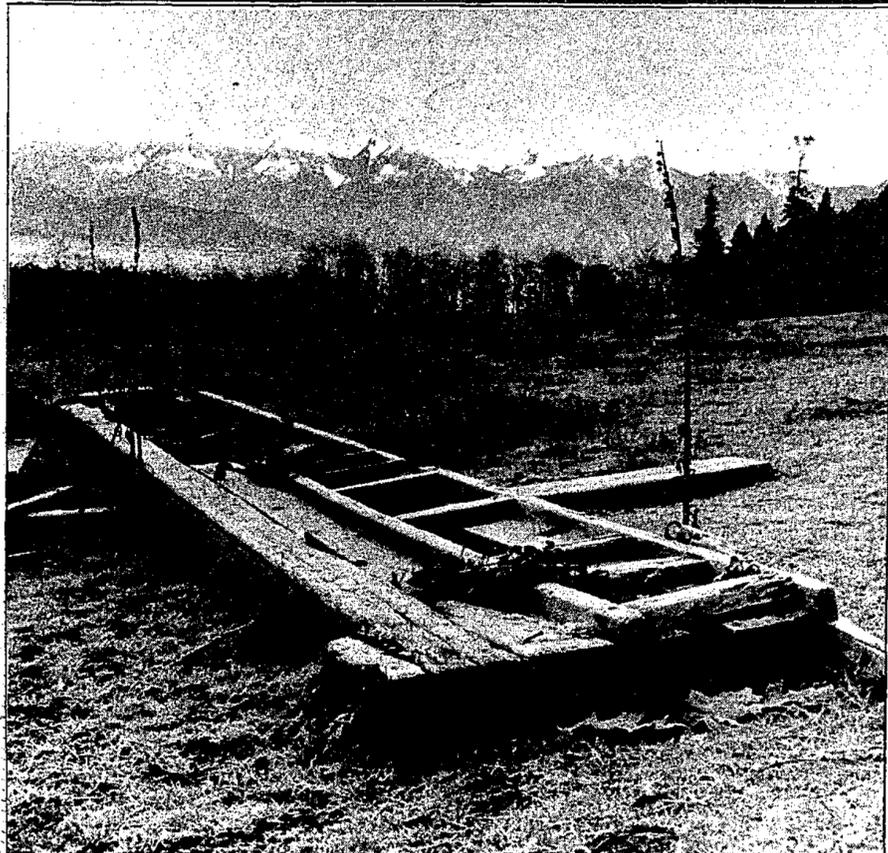
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The Sunshine COAST NEWS

Second Section



The Corkum 'Farm' on Keats Island will host a \$2 million family relaxation and recreation centre promoting the values and strengths of the nuclear family from a biblical perspective. —Joel Johnstone photo

For relaxation camp

Keats I. hearing peaceful

by Joel Johnstone

It was quite possibly the most peaceful public hearing to be held in recent months. Last Saturday, over 30 residents and property owners on Keats Island gathered at the Baptist Camp Clam Shack to hear the Gambier Island Trust Committee put forward a land-use by-law change for one of several large lots owned by Richard Corkum, who owns approximately 570 of the 1500 acres making up Keats Island.

Fourteen months of work towards a collaboration between Corkum and the Barnabas Family Ministries to create a non-denominational, family relaxation and summer camp facility came to a head over one word, 'institution'.

Derek Boniface of the Eastbourne Cottages Association and several other present voiced their concern that the word 'institution' could some day mean correction or

rehabilitation facilities under such a zoning designation.

After some discussion, Barnabas Executive Director Rob Bentall said, "I don't have any objections to changing the term institution."

Committee Vice-Chairman Steve Wright then proposed adding a definition to the by-law excluding correctional and rehabilitational use in the zoning of the lot.

SCRD Area F Director John Shaske questioned the legality of such a clause and Island Trust representatives assured him that the amendment would go to their legal department for clearance after first, second and third readings, before being sent to Victoria for approval.

The Island Trust Committee was set up to serve island communities in the Straits of Georgia and to preserve and protect unique amenities and environmental conditions in 1986. This committee's task came easily because of the over-

whelming support the Corkums have from their neighbours and the community.

Bentall said the Barnabas family camp project will incorporate a two-storey building of about 40,000 square feet, with an initial cost of \$2 million. It would be used in its 'under-one-roof concept' as a host centre for conferences, seminars, recreation and family counselling from the biblical perspective, 'with a focus on family and young life. Our one goal is to strengthen the family'.

The ministry directed their plans towards the Corkum family farm because there would be minimal clearing required, beauty and seclusion were readily available, and it

On School Board

Clayton returns as Board Chairman

Maureen Clayton returns as Chairman of the Board of School Trustees and Judy Wilson is the new Vice-Chairman.

New Trustees Shawn Cardinal, Lynn Chapman, Carol Adams and Pat Stuart were sworn in at the December 8 meeting which was held at Langdale Elementary School.

Principal Jamie Davidson, in a presentation to the Board, outlined programs and policies that are being implemented at the school. He said that the most important goal was to foster a sense of pride and community for the students.

The upcoming Christmas Concert involves every student in the school in some capacity or the other. The very colourful mural at the entrance to the school was also done by students and has helped the youngsters feel that the school belongs to them.

Science teacher Rick Gibbel outlined a comprehensive program that encourages students to explore areas of personal interest and use their own initiative.

Counsellor Fran Jovick spoke of the program that encouraged children to develop life skills such as co-operation, initiative and problem solving.

Lara Dalen, president of the PTA at Gibsons Elementary School, spoke to the School Board at last Tuesday's meeting about the unfavourable teacher-student ratio in the Kindergarten at the school. Dalen claimed that several children were showing stress symptoms which she attributes directly to the overcrowding.

There are 50 Kindergarten children, with the class split into 25 children each in morning and afternoon sessions.

That number is acceptable to the Ministry of Education, but, in practice, claims Dalen, it is far too many children for one teacher to handle at the Kindergarten level and she urged the Board to make some changes.

The Board directed the District Superintendent to investigate the situation.

The Sunshine Coast Parents for French continued to push for an improved French program in local schools at the meeting, where a delegation of parents again spoke to the Board, urging that all aspects of the program be implemented as soon as possible.

In other School Board news, the Board considered a need for a policy in the event that a student or employee contracts AIDS. Dr. Peter Reynolds and Dr. Walter Burtneck are willing

to meet with the Board and provide medical advice.

A team of Ministry of Education officials spent three days conducting a mini-accreditation of Elphinstone school. A written report will be presented to the Board.

The Secretary-Treasurer recommended that the playing field for Halfmoon Bay school be located partially on School Board property and partially on Connor Park property, provided the terrain proves to be suitable.

Later in the meeting, the Board expressed concern at the delayed start of construction of the Halfmoon Bay school. The delay has been mainly caused by the unusually long time it has taken the Ministry of Education to approve plans.

"It is crucial," said Chairman Maureen Clayton, "that we have that school ready by September 1988."

Trustee Lynn Chapman asked the Board to consider a policy to discourage war toys. Members questioned whether the Board had a right to do such a thing, but agreed to further discuss the matter at a later date.

District Superintendent Art Holmes reported that the district was fortunate to have acquired, at no cost to the Board, two trainees from the Capilano College Job Training program.

Jocelyn Boyce is working at the Board office, and Diane LaCroix is an aide in the Sechelt French Immersion program.

Local policemen earn recognition

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Rogers hosted Police Honours Night, 1987, at Government House, Thursday, November 26, when 24 members of British Columbia's police community received awards for outstanding service.

Among recipients were Constable Sach and Auxiliary Constable Atlee, for their actions on October 17, 1986, in Gibsons, when they successfully disarmed an intoxicated person who was pointing a rifle and threatening to shoot them.

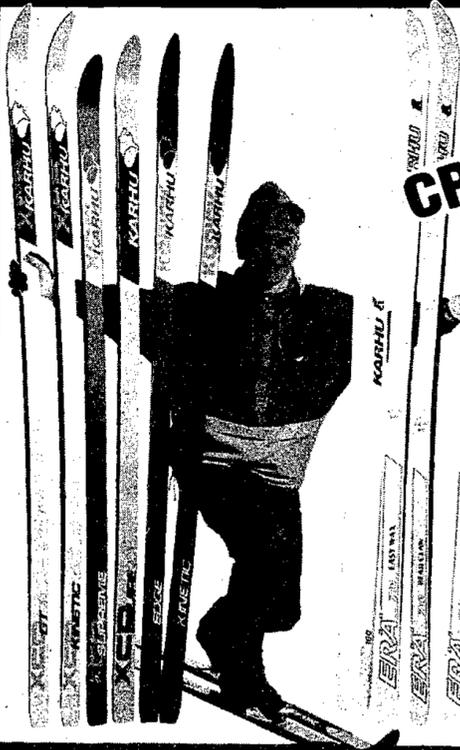
"The courage, restraint, and presence of mind exercised by these members was instrumental in preventing a tragic ending to a domestic dispute."

In making the announcement, Attorney General Brian Smith said the awards are presented for outstanding acts of bravery, services while on assignment, or service to the community. Recipients are selected by the B.C. Association of Chiefs of Police and the B.C. Police Commission.

The program is sponsored by the provincial government.

Veitch postpones

The public meeting with Minister of State Elwood Veitch, scheduled for December 17, to find out about regionalization has been postponed until January. A new date will be announced soon.



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From Harbour Publishing

Saga of Westcoast Whaling

by Montague Royal

Whaling has become such a controversial issue these days that even its memory has fallen into disrepute. For both environmental and humanistic reasons, most of the sea-going nations have ceased the practice and only a few maverick countries such as Japan, Norway and Iceland, still carry it on. Few people would argue that the general cessation of whaling is not a good thing. In the unregulated years, some species of the giant mammal were almost hunted to extinction. Yet there are men who still recall their days on the whaleships with a certain nostalgia. Such a man is W.A. Hagelund.

Whales No More (Harbour), is Bill Hagelund's tribute to the vanished west coast whaling industry and the men who made it tick. Hagelund himself went whaling as a youth in the dying years of the trade and contributes his own vivid reminiscences of what it was like. But the bulk of the book is based on the recollections of others. Hagelund spent much time interviewing numerous oldtimers who were intimately

connected with the business and their salty yarns provide a unique kaleidoscope of harpoons, heaving seas and high adventure. His treatment of Indian whaling and the earliest years of the trade is a bit sketchy but, since the focus of the book is on oral history, this is understandable. And it is the unvarnished sound of the human voice that gives the study much of its power and charm.

Hagelund's personal whaling experiences only encompassed one season in the early forties and, while certainly exciting, are not extensive enough to warrant a full-length book of their own. He begins and ends this volume by reprising his own adventures and, not surprisingly, these sections contain the best writing in the book. Here, young Hagelund's ship is rammed from below by a wounded and furious whale:

There was a dull thud as he hit the turn of the bilge, lifting the ship slightly and rolling her to port. Then, as we rolled back to level keel, his broad snout rose up out of the water just ahead of the bridge, till it was as high as my eye. Blowing bloody froth and warm vapour over the

bridge and myself, he fell over on his side and came within range of Louis' acutely angled gun. In a roar that thudded on my eardrums and blew smoke and powder dust over the bridge, our lance blasted into the stunned whale, and he died in a tangle of ropes under our bow, the scene masked from my eyes by the smoke and the evening's darkness as we continued to go astern.

Powerful Melvillian stuff that pulls the reader right into the story.

The old salts that Hagelund interviews are not all capable of such vivid and articulate description but they spin their seafaring tales with honesty and verve. Charlie H. Watson, who worked in whaling over a 40 year span, describes a horrific storm off the Queen Charlottes: *Well, by midday we were about fifteen miles south of the Cape, and carefully hauling up towards the Straits, when it happened. I hadn't been on watch very long when all of a sudden the telegraph rang quickly over to 'Stand-by' and our whistle gave out a couple of watery warning gurgles. I made a grab for the throttle and hung on for dear life as the ship tossed her head swiftly upwards. She threw her head up so high the coal in the bunkers shifted aft. I could hear it thunder*

against the bulkhead forward of the boiler. Then she rolled away over to port. She fell so far over that everything went flying. I thought I was going to be thrown right over the engine! Before she could right herself or we could let go to do anything to help her, she was buried by a huge sea and tons of water crashed down into the boiler and engine room, through the open skylight and scuttle. Boy, I'll tell you, I thought we were goners!

The book abounds in stirring accounts of this sort. In one amazing incident, recalled in detail from different vantage points, by two oldtimers who witnessed it, three whales are impaled by a single harpoon. Few of Hagelund's informants fail to mention the foul food, the primitive working conditions and the overpowering stench of the whaling stations. It was not an easy way of life by anyone's reckoning.

Hagelund closes his book with a fascinating chapter concerning giant squid, sea serpents and other ocean oddities. The volume is lavishly illustrated with photographs, many of them from private collections, including one marvellous shot of a humpback whale surfacing. All in all, **Whales No More** is a first-class production, worthy of a spot on anyone's library shelf. Heartily recommended.

Story of West Coast Slavery

by George Cooper

If you ever enjoyed the story of Robinson Crusoe, then the current reprints of a B.C. adventure with embellishments of delicate line drawings, in one instance, and photographs in another will bring delightful memories.

Hilary Stewart's notes and drawings to accompany the story of John R. Jewitt, captive of Maquinna, provide a most readable account of the two years that Jewitt was a slave, albeit an honoured one, to the tyeo or great chief Maquinna on the west coast of Vancouver Island.

In 1803 the ship *Boston* was captured and the crew killed by Maquinna and his people in revenge of past murders and ill-treatment by American traders. Spared was the armorer, Jewitt, for the sake of his skill in blacksmithing, and by chance the sailmaker, Thompson.

Jewitt secretly kept a journal in great detail and when he at last escaped published it and later with the aid of writer, Richard Alsop, turned it into the narrative that has been reprinted over the years since.

Hilary Stewart's **The Adventures and Sufferings of John R. Jewitt, Captive of Maquinna** is a widely researched history with the rich flavour of adventure. Jewitt determined to survive by adapting to the demands of his

master. He learned the language; he observed detail; measured and described houses; canoes, dress; noted customs.

He depicts faithfully the ways of the native before they were contaminated by white culture. He came to know the West Coast people intimately, far beyond the trader's interest in the sea otter pelts.

Food and the manner of eating was at first disgusting to him, but he found 'hunger will break through stone walls'. He found too that the native people were disgusted by food he prepared in his white man's way.

Jewitt and Thompson did their labour of fetching firewood dutifully. Having seen a runaway slave killed in punishment with pebbles dropped one by one into his mouth, neither wished to be treated likewise. And there was always the hope of escape.

Their escape was a clever ruse that required some courage, but was done without bloodshed. A suspenseful moment in the whole of his adventure in captivity.

If Stewart's hard cover volume is too rich for the pocketbook, try another edition by a B.C. publisher entitled **White Slaves of the Nootka**, a soft cover with archival photos.

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7:45 p.m.

Coast Interfaith

The first in a series of once a month religious programmes which we hope will bring members of all religious groups to the Community Channel for their own half hour show. Pastor Monty McLean of the Gibsons Community Fellowship Church is the host of our first Interfaith show.

Religious groups interested in using this time slot should contact CCTV at 886-8565 or Marianne West at 886-2147 to arrange air time.

8:15 P.M.

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DINING GUIDE

A listing of restaurants and pubs



Toast of the Coast

To those in the know, lunch at the Cedar's Pub is one of the most pleasant possibilities of the business day. The lunches are attractively priced and presented and served up with a minimum amount of delay.

On Friday of last week, between a hectic morning and some afternoon appointments, I found myself very hungry and with a limited amount of time. I dashed into the Cedar's to rectify the situation.

There was no time to organize lunch with a companion but with the friendly crowd at the Cedar's, that is usually no problem. In fact, I had to decline an invitation to join a table of leisurely lunchers with the plea of lack of time.

The luncheon specials are generally two; one for light lunch eaters and one for those who mean serious business. I have been in both categories and can attest to the tastiness of both the economic and the hearty offerings.

Last Friday I was definitely in the hearty category and wasted no time in ordering the mashed potatoes with gravy which accompanied a breaded veal cutlet. A generous and delicious salad accompanied the meat and potatoes. For good measure, I ordered the tomato soup which accompanied the lighter sandwich offering.

I scarcely had time to say a few words of greeting to one of my associates who was lunching with her sister before the food was on the table. The soup was tangy and invigorating and the veal cutlet was everything it should have been.

Mine can be a hearty appetite at its best, but by the time I finished the last morsel of veal, the last forkful of mashed potatoes, and the last crisp mouthful of lettuce and tomato, I had surely had enough. It was delicious.

With a half pint of draught ale, the bill came to less than \$7 and I was able to buy five tickets on the Cedar's food hamper draw, proceeds to support the Elves Christmas drive.

If you haven't tried the Cedar's for lunch, I recommend you do so. If you do it this week you can get in on the draw on behalf of the Elves Club. The draw takes place on December 19.

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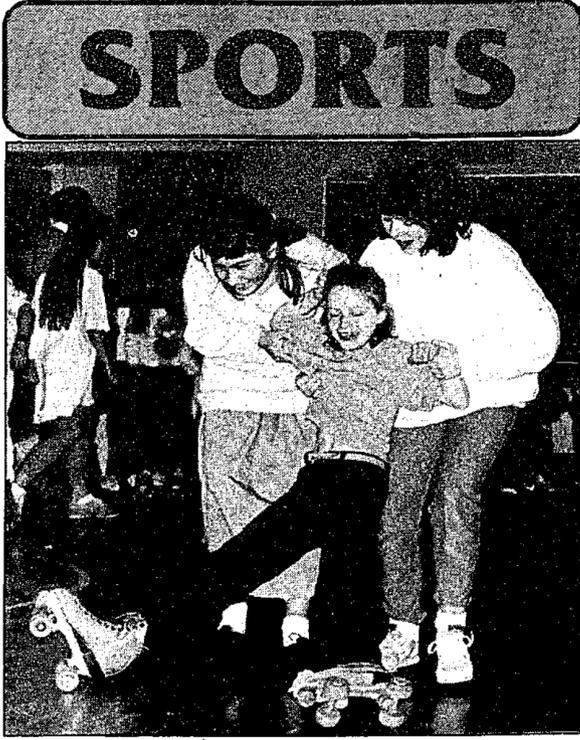
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There's many a slip 'twixt bedpan and hip. Gibsons Elementary youngster finds roller-skating a rocky road. —Don Hunter photo

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Pender Golf

Still golfing

by Sam Walker

Yes, we are still golfing at the Pender Harbour Golf Club. Neither wind nor rain can deter golfers in the Harbour area.

The ladies seem to have convinced the weatherman that good weather should be turned on for their Thursday outings. On the other hand, the seniors are trying to prove that they can golf in anything and everything but six feet of snow. And for the duffers this is the time of year that we can get our practise rounds in.

This has been a good year for the club. With our opening year jitters behind us we have now settled into a smooth running operation. Great improvements have been made to the course and we have become a respectable member of the golfing community. I am amazed at the number of people from all over the country that can now say, "I played around at Pender Harbour."

As we enter into the new year all club members are reminded to set aside January 9. This is the date of the second annual general meeting and election of directors. The meeting will be held in the clubhouse at 2 pm. A good turnout is expected. For those who might be in-

terested there are only a few memberships available. Any person interested in joining the club would be well advised to take advantage of the opportunity to join at this time.

In case you didn't see it on television you might be interested to know that the Pender Harbour Golf Club was honoured by the B.C. Lions Cripple Children Society. The Society presented a plaque to our club for the greatest number of participants of any golf course to take part in their 'Swing Weekend' fund raising drive early this year. The aggregate amount raised by participating clubs was \$8000.

Jack McFarlane of Madeira Park attended Timmy's Telethon where the total donation was presented to the B.C. Lions organization and he accepted the honour plaque on behalf of the Pender Harbour club. Well done golfers.

As this will be the last Pender Golf column for this year may I take this opportunity to thank those people who have contributed to our writings and wish all good golfing during the coming year.

And from the 19th hole: Don't forget 'no matter how you slice it, it's still a golf ball'.

Strikes and Spares

High rollers

In the Gibsons 'A' League Patti Idler rolled a 300 single and Andy Solinsky a 319 single. Best totals by Kathy Clark 265-700 and Freeman Reynolds 286-750.

In the Wednesday Coffee League Dorothy Hanson rolled a 303 single and a 718 triple and in the Slough-Off League Irene Harvey a 302 single and a 637 triple.

In the Ball and Chain League Trevor Anderson had a 309 single and a 704 triple and Ralph Roth a 279-729 triple. Ralph also had the highest total in the Classic League with a 286-949 four game total.

Other high totals:

CLASSIC:	
Barb Christie	252-869
Phyllis Francis	272-876
Rita Johnston	260-879
Marion Reeves	258-898
Pat Prest	252-927
Freeman Reynolds	290-940
TUESDAY COFFEE:	
Nora Solinsky	228-624
Wendy Craighead	285-667
SWINGERS:	
Win Stevens	252-615
Doris Thomas	230-635
Jack Morris	211-611
Len Hornett	221-631

GIBSONS 'A':	
Marilyn Davidson	255-678
Nora Solinsky	234-696
Pam Swanson	250-696
Pete Cavaller	245-653
Tom Gilchrist	283-664
WEDNESDAY COFFEE:	
Grethe Taylor	223-642
Jean Griffiths	259-647
SLOUGH-OFFS:	
Bev Young	262-656
Laurie Clayards	279-678
BALL & CHAIN:	
Dorothy Robinson	275-663
Craig Kincaid	258-639
PHUNTASTIQUE:	
Bev Young	238-641
Mavis Stanley	232-674
Bud Laird	256-649
Terry Hanson	226-650
Bob Fletcher	267-661
Mike Busnarda	274-670
NIGHT OWLS:	
Wally McDonald	240-646
Ray Mahoney	231-671
SECHELT GA'S:	
Cathy Disher	244-592
Merle Hatley	240-633
Joe Fell	262-593
YBC PEEWEES:	
Kari Peterson	129-223
Erik Johnston	151-281
YBC BANTAMS:	
Shauna Howden	146-342
Kristoff Roepke-Todd	141-407
YBC JUNIORS:	
Debbie Davidson	194-516
Janiell McHefey	209-516
Tammy Koch	249-595
Jeremy Howden	248-604
YBC SENIORS:	
Melissa Hood	208-507
Chris Lumsden	208-535

Volleyball standings

	W L T P
Cedars	5 1 2 12
Gibsons	3 0 5 11
Ken Mac	5 2 1 11
Roberts Creek	3 1 4 10
Sechelt	3 3 2 8
Davis Bay	1 5 2 4
Elphi	0 8 0 0

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Rugby news

Gibsons wins and loses

Last Saturday both Gibsons' Rugby sides wound up their first half of league play against the yellow-shirted Vancouver

Scribes. The Scribes, traditional buddies of the boys in blue came prepared on the crystal clear Saturday afternoon at Elphinstone field.

The Piggies, as usual, were sent out first to soften the turf. Scribes' fourth divisions have held together well over the years and proved solid against the always changing Piggies.

From the sidelines one would think Gibsons had two packs on the field at once. Filling the standoff slot was (back from the boondocks) Wee Pea Pearce and at inside centre, Big Jamie Gill, back from a sore knee injury.

During half action Gibsons was awarded a five yard scrum off a Scribe knock on. The eight man set scrum surge of the blue pack heaved the Scribes into their own end zone where break-forward Rick Lawson wisely fell on the ball for the try.

The try ended up as the only Gibsons major outside of a Mike Gibson penalty goal. The Scribes took control in the second half handling the Piggies by a 17-7 margin.

The second game of the afternoon started with two very quick tries by both the Scribes and Gibsons third sides. Stand-off Dean Johnston, who played a very strong game at his position, set up the first score faking a pop kick in open field and cutting inside before setting up Tracy Meyers with the path to pay dirt. The Scribes answered back minutes later with a lovely corner try overlapping a surprised blue three line.

What looked in early form to be a close game quickly lost face in Gibsons' favour. To say the least the boys in blue completely overwhelmed their guests from the second score on. Gibsons sunk in for a decisive 38-8 victory.

Scoring for the blues, winger Niels Payne with two tries while scrum half David Macleod, wingers Brian Lymer and replacement Ken Sorenson and break Hugh Duffy all managed one each.

The Pigs are believed to be in second or third place in their division after two prior away victories against Ex Brits and Trojans in November. Second half rugby will continue in mid January. Merry Christmas Gibsons from your Pigs.

Minor Hockey

In both the Atom and Pee Wee Divisions, the number of teams were increased from two to three. It was then decided to hold off league games until all the teams had equal practice times which gave coaches an overall view of team strengths and weaknesses. There have been exhibition games though, and the following is a list of wins and losses:

On December 3 in the Pee Wee Division the Trail Islanders beat the Thunderbirds 9-7. Top goal scorers for Trail Islanders were: Graham Ruck with 4; Brad Wingfield with 3, and Curtis Francis with 2. Mike Lewis had a great game scoring 5 of his team's 7 goals.

On December 5, again in the Pee Wee Division, the Thunderbirds downed the Blackhawks 6-5. Graham Ruck scored 4 and Darren Boodle scored 2 for the Thunderbirds. Candy Clarke was impressive, scoring 2 for the Blackhawks.

Also on December 5 the Pups and Peanuts were on the ice. At this time the teams are numbered 1, 2 and 3. Numbers 2 and 3 faced off with number 2 coming on top by a score of 4-3. Ryan Service scored 2 of his team's 4 points. The rest were all scored individually.

The Atom Division played December 6. The two teams were the Stars and the Lions. The score ended 7-6 for the Stars. Top scorers for the Stars were Brad Wigard with 4 and Kurt Carpenter with 2. For the Lions, Micheal Yates had 5 goals with Tige Pollock scoring 1.

The Bantams met with the Pee Wee Allstars and had two fairly hard-fought games. The Bantams won both but it wasn't easy.

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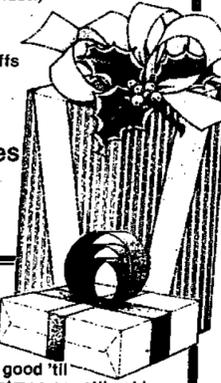
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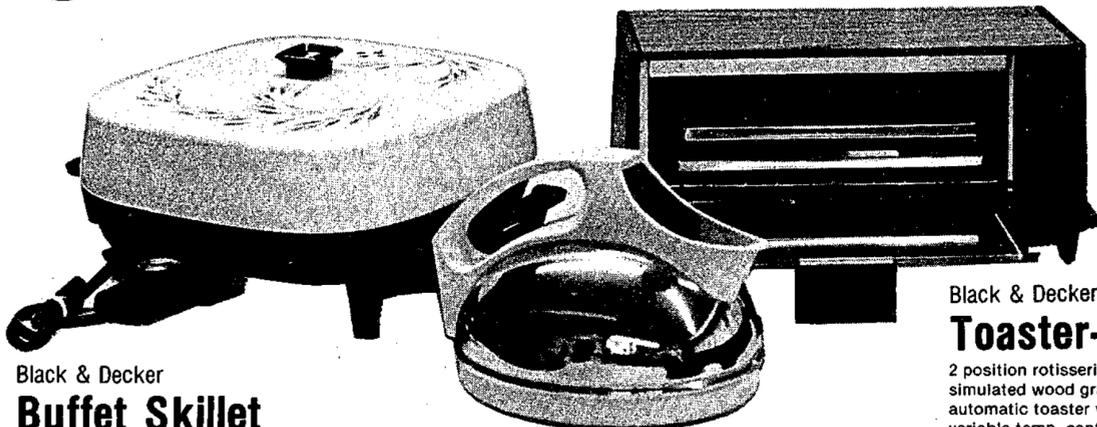
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Letters to the Editor

Gift of sight is appropriate

Editor:
As the Christmas season approaches, we more fortunate Canadians should spend a few moments thinking of those people in the world who live in less favourable conditions. So much of Christmas is a feast - not only for our palates, but also for our eyes. We see the sparkling coloured lights, the brightly decorated store windows, and the look of wonder in a child's eyes. But have you readers ever thought what it would be like to be blind and to be deprived of such sight?

According to the World Health Organization, there are over 40 million blind people in the world - mostly in developing countries. It is a fact that we live in 'careless' times, and although many of us say we 'care', how do we go about alleviating the suffering of our fellow human beings? One comment I heard this year was, "I don't know how to care - or where to begin."
Caring comes from within us; it isn't something we don, like a cloak at this time of year. One way to learn how to care is to join a team of volunteers that supports a Canadian-based organization called Operation Eyesight Universal (OEU). OEU's annual goal for its work in the Developing World is to treat one million eyes and to restore

sight to 100,000 curable blind people.

Earlier this year, I was fortunate enough to be part of an OEU volunteer team that toured India. Across that vast sub-continent, I saw for myself how effectively OEU uses its funds, spending only 10 percent of the monies raised on promotion and administration. The remaining 90 percent goes to finance blindness prevention and sight-restoration projects, where not just sight is restored, but also human dignity.

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An Indian proverb tells us, "All that is not given is lost." Before we lose our perspective

on the true meaning of Christmas - God's gift to the world - why not give one of the most precious gifts of all - the gift of sight?

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Maureen McManus
Calgary, Alberta

More democracy needed

Editor:
Re: Regionalization Meeting at Sechelt, December 17.

The December 10 issue of the Vancouver Sun quoted Premier Vander Zalm as stating that, "The government is not withholding details of its decentralization program - because there are no details," and the December 7 issue of the Coast News states that an open meeting on regionalization will be held in Sechelt on December 17 - to meet with the members of the public having questions or concerns about the new decentralization program and that all questions or concerns must be submitted in writing by

December 10.

So, Elwood Veitch, bearing the pompous title of 'Minister of State', accompanied by a retinue of high-priced 'Poo-bahs' with more high-sounding titles, are to hold a public meeting to answer our concerns but only if submitted in writing within three days of notification of the meeting. Presumably, if the questions are too tough for the panel, no answer shall be forthcoming. It would appear that the forthcoming meeting is no more than a 'rigged' public affairs exercise to make it appear that the government is concerned about public opinion. Are these people afraid to answer in prompt questions from the floor?

Our 'Alice in Wonderland'

government announced regionalization several months ago, but still doesn't have any details of the plan; granted \$8,000 of public monies to that nebulous plan by Cabinet Order without reference to our elected representatives; appointed eight ministers of state plus their staff to set up another layer of government in this over-governed country and have devised another way to squander our tax dollars.

What we need is more democracy, not more layers of government run by appointees and not, public meetings 'rigged' so as not to embarrass the speakers. By the way, I can recall the name of our MLA but not his appearance.

Lorne B. Blain

Project grateful

Editor:

The Board of Directors of the Gibsons Landing Theatre Project Society has asked me to give public expression of our gratitude to Jim Tyner for the production of a projected operating budget for the proposed theatre facility. This puts at our disposal one of the most essential tools to be used as we enter the major phase of our fund-raising efforts.

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Eve H. Smart
Secretary

Children of light

Editor:

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Shirley Gurr

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'86 Monte Carlo SS, loaded, black, exc. cond., well maint., \$17,500. 886-3528. #50

'78 VW Rabbit LS, 85,000 kms, 4 cyl., fuel inj., gd. tires, gd. cond., \$2750 OBO. 886-4633. #51

'83 Ford Mustang L, 4 cyl., 2.3 cc, standard, P/S, P/B, exc. cond., \$6500 OBO. 886-3926. #51

'78 GMC ¾ T 4x4, 350, 4 sp., PS, PB, winch, canopy, \$3500. 886-2024. #51

Fibreglas canopy for full size P/U, \$400. 883-9118. #51

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'69 Ford ½ ton, 360 std., radials, new rear end, master cyl., \$450. 886-2158. #50

1976 Honda SW, runs, everything works, \$475 OBO. 886-8411. #1

As required by Motor Vehicle Branch regulations, offers are being accepted until Jan. 31, 1988 on the 1970 Volkswagen Beetle and 1962 Chev pickup, neither is in running condition, both are currently registered to Dan Baker, may be viewed at 2953 Grauman Rd., Roberts Creek. 885-7762 or 733-6243. #50

'72 Ford ¾ ton XLT, good box, exc. motor/trans., whole or for parts. 886-8271 or 886-7934. #1

1977 GMC ½ ton truck, good cond., radio, auto., new tires, \$1900. 883-9480. #50

'79 Ford F100, 6 cyl. std., am/fm cassette, canopy, 82,000 kms., must sell, \$2850 OBO. 886-3575. #50

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20. Campers Motorhomes

1979 Dodge Get Away van camper, 60,000 miles, mint cont., \$7900 OBO. 886-8604. #50

1973 31' Airstream, 1980 Cherokee 4X4, \$21,000 or sell separate. Husky 2100 & Alaskan mil. \$400 Wed. 886-8961, Bonniebrook. #1

21. Marine

OUTBOARDS FOR SALE
9.9-25-70 HP 1982-1986, exc. cond., exc. price. Lowes Resort, 883-2456. TFN

80' deck w/40' iron stairs, comes with 3 yr. water lease in Gibsons Harbour, \$19,500 OBO. Tarry 886-3595 or 886-2268. TFN

14' Cobra 40 HP elec. start hydr. steering trailer, \$2150 OBO. Tarry 886-3595 or 886-2268. TFN

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22' cedar hull for sale. 883-2548. #51

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DFO approved wire tunnels, \$1 ea. 885-3805. #1

14' FG inboard yacht, tender with trailer, rebuilt motor, perfect for the safety minded fisherman, \$1800 OBO. 886-2738 after 5 pm. #50

18' FG boat w/trailer & 65 HP Merc., runs well, \$3000 OBO. 886-3247 evens. to 10. #50

22. Mobile Homes

10x50, 2 bdrm., \$8,000 OBO. New roof, new WW carpet, new light fixtures, new panelling throughout. 4" T&G custom ceiling & cabinets, and more. 886-3041. #1

Mobile home space available, Sunshine Coast Mobile Home Park. 886-9826. TFN

Lot #12, 14'x60', 2 bdrm., bay window, 4 appl., front & back porches, fully skirted, this home is like new. \$25,500. Sunshine Coast Mobile Home Park. 886-9826. TFN

23. Wanted to Rent

Summer rental Aug. 1988, 4 bdrms. or sleep 10-12, view, near recreation. Write Mrs. C. Carrico, 3506 142 Pl. NE, Bellevue, Wash. 98007. #50

2-3 bdrm. house, Sechelt. 885-9750 or Box 2662, Sechelt. #50

Family looking for 2-3 bdrm. house ASAP, long term. 886-8914. #50

24. For Rent

2 bdrm. Madeira Park, ocean view, \$350/mo. 530-9077. #50

Langdale, 2 bdrm., 1½ bath, finished basement, F/S, available Jan. 1, 2 FP, \$430. 886-9290. #50

W/F Pender Harb., 1 bdrm. cabin, fridge, stove, w/dryer, great view, avail. Dec. 20. 883-9446. #51

3 bdrm. duplex, 1½ baths, utl. room, \$425/mo., Gibsons. 886-7343. #51

Condo, as new, 2 bdrm., 1½ bath, 6 GE appliances, garage, view, Dec. 15. 886-2104. #51

1 & 2 bdrm. apts. central Gibsons, leave message at 886-3002. #50

2 bdrm. apt., clean, view, 4 appl., S. Fletcher, mature adults, \$450., Jan. 1. 886-7175. #1

Apts. for rent, 1 & 3 bdrm., heat & cablevision included. 886-9050. TFN

Small 1 bdrm. house, rural but walk to shopping, quiet mature adults, rels., \$295. 886-7831. #50

Roberts Creek Hall avail., dances, parties, weddings, equipment rental. Jacob, 886-8541, 6-8 pm. TFN

25. Help Wanted

Experienced flat roofers req. for roofing work in Sechelt area. 534-8651, 8am-4pm weekdays. TFN

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The Sunshine Association for the Handicapped requires a Community Project Coordinator. The position requires the recruiting and training of Life Skills workers and the developing of supported work placements for Special Needs Adults. This is a 3 month position with an option for long term employment at an adjusted rate of pay. Initial 3 month salary to reflect the leadership and expertise required in this developmental phase. Resume to Sunshine Association for the Handicapped, Box 1128, Gibsons, B.C. V0N 1V0. #50

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PEERLESS TREE SERVICE LTD.
Topping - Limbing - Danger Tree Removal, Insured, Guaranteed Work. Free estimates. 885-2109. TFN

Professional insulator, 20 yrs. experience, commercial & residential. 886-8593. #50

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'A' licence elect. contractor, res., comm., indust., reas. rates. 885-7142. #51

27. Help Wanted

SECRETARIAL/CLERICAL

Canadian Forest Products Ltd., Howe Sound Pulp Division, has immediate openings for Secretarial/Clerical employees for its 620 tonne bleached kraft pulp operation at Port Mellon.

Applicants are required to have qualified skills in secretarial and/or accounting basics, and a minimum 3 to 5 years related experience. A knowledge of word processing would be an asset. Interested persons should forward a detailed resume outlining their qualifications and experience to the address shown below.

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Housecleaning, \$5/hr. 886-3844. #51

Trained homemaker certificates, incl., St. John's Ambulance, CPR, Safety Oriented First Aid & Patient Care in the Home, also does hard cleaning, plain cooking, \$5/hr. 886-2329. #51

Cleaning, gardening, janitorial, res/comm., grass, windows, gutters, split wood. 886-3580. TFN

Handyman - gardening, painting, fences, clean up, odd jobs, reliable. 885-9840 Jan. #1

Experienced handyman will do your work, reasonable, Jack. 883-9278. #1

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2 reliable, hard-working students available, odd jobs. Call 886-3168, 886-8078. #50

Large dump truck avail. for hauling firewood, sand, gravel, manure, etc., reasonable. Liz 886-9033 evens. #1

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Unsurveyed Crown Land lying adjacent to an unnamed creek which flows southwest into Freil Lake, commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of said lease, thence 182.9m 210 degrees mag.; thence 274.3m - 300 degrees mag.; thence 182.9m, 30 degrees mag.; thence 274.3m, 120 degrees mag.; and containing 5.00 ha more or less.

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Rhythms of Life
Spend time, not money

by Penny Fuller

As the days grow progressively shorter, and the weather increasingly cold, we approach that time of the year when each religion celebrates a festival of hope and faith. While a few people become overwhelmed with the pressures of the North American version (Christmas) and get a bit depressed, the majority of us get into the swing of gift-giving with mounting enthusiasm.

Tomorrow, the planet that is mostly responsible for optimism and generosity, Jupiter, appears to stand still in the sky for a few days before it starts moving forward. When that happens, everyone is liable to feel an extra boost, but be

careful. Jupiter tends to bring out the generosity in each of us to a point where we lose our sense of perspective.

Especially affected will be those people with their Suns in a soft aspect to the place where Jupiter takes its rest. Those born on April 9, 10 or 11; August 12, 13 or 14; and December 11, 12 or 13 in any year, are especially prone to self-indulgence at this time. Enjoy it, but don't overdo it.

Anyone who has a problem restraining their spending impulses should turn over their credit cards and cheque books to a trusted, stingy friend for a few days, unless you want to find January extremely tight.

The Jupiter whammy makes you feel as if you want to do something special for everyone you know, and a few people you don't. It's an admirable feeling, but being conditioned in North America, your likely reaction will be to reach for your wallet.

Why not act on those feelings without putting a financial burden on your spouse and family? Try thinking of a few really creative ways to give of yourself. I'll bet there are people you know who may need some help getting a Christmas tree, or who might like a ride to do their own Christmas shopping. Is there someone that might want to go for a nice drive to look at Christmas lights, or someone who'd appreciate having some firewood chopped?

It's a wonderful time for this astrological aspect to happen. Generosity and giving are treasured greatly at this time of year. But spending, especially over-spending, is a shallow response to this positive influence. Giving of yourself and your time is so much healthier, for both you and the recipient of your generosity.

Gardeners' rest time

by Marguerite

Gardening reminders: Roll up and store in the shed or garage the gardening hose, clean and oil mower and all hand tools and sharpen all cutting blades if needed.

Remember the birds by making a bird table, well above ground level so that cats can't reach the birds as they feed on seed, scraps and a little fat.

It's time for the gardener to have a well earned rest, and the need to recharge his gardening thoughts and ideas, in comfort and warmth indoors.

Check the garden catalogues, and review your own personal garden journal, a useful item.

The Gibsons Garden Club members will have their Christmas meeting in the Marine Room on Thursday, December 17 at 7:30 pm. Merry Christmas to you all.

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Police news this week

GIBSONS RCMP

Operation Counter Attack has been launched in the Gibsons area and will continue until January 3. Road blocks will help remove impaired drivers from the roads at this time of general jollity. It is hoped this reduces the potential for fatal collisions, injury, and property damage. The Christmas Counter Attack campaign is set up for your safety.

At some time on the night of December 5-6 there was a theft of around \$1800 worth of goods from a vehicle parked on the highway near the Legion.

Stolen were a number of Wagner jog switches and Wagner rudder indicators, a solder gun, a Mikita grinder, and a leather welding jacket. Phone 886-TIPS.

On December 6, following a search of his residence on Pratt Road, an adult male was charged with possession of a narcotic.

A TIP call led police to a search of a residence in the Executive Apartments where two adult males and one young of-

fender female were charged with possession of a narcotic.

SECHLT RCMP

On December 4 police seized approximately \$1700 worth of marihuana and growing equipment from a residence in the Redrooffs area. Charges are pending.

On December 5 South Coast Ford was broken into and a car was stolen. The vehicle was recovered later. The investigation is continuing.

Sechelt police have been busy attending minor accidents, fallen trees and power lines down complaints this week due to the bad weather.

Sechelt RCMP have charged one impaired driver this week as a result of a minor accident.

Sechelt police are investigating a series of power tool thefts in the West Sechelt area.

Home owners are reminded to keep tools indoors or in a locked shed.

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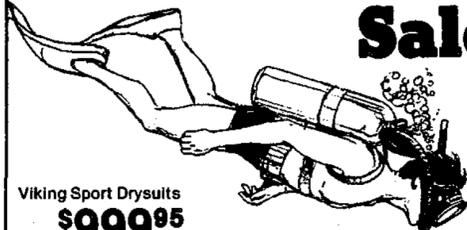
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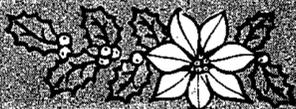
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CHRISTMAS HOURS

Capilano College in Sechelt wishes to thank the community for their support during the past year, and looks forward to working with community members in the future.

The campus will CLOSE DECEMBER 21 to JANUARY 3. The campus will RE-OPEN 12:30 TO 7:00 PM, MONDAY, JANUARY 4.

Capilano College, 5627 Inlet Avenue, Sechelt, 885-9310.



Time is running out for these shepherd cross puppies the SPCA has under their care at Castlerock Kennels. The society can only take care of them for so long before having to make space for more incoming strays collected on the Sunshine Coast. —Joel Johnstone photo.

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High winds and a high tide one week ago left many coastal waterfront yards under water. —Ken Collins photo

Koch sees exciting time for Sechelt

"It's an exciting time," said Mayor Bud Koch at the inaugural meeting of the District of Sechelt last Monday. Newly elected Aldermen Nancy MacLarty and Robert Wilson, and re-elected Alderman Michael Shanks had just taken their Oath of Office and Oath of Allegiance. Mayor Koch was making his address to the new council and speaking of the challenges facing the recently restructured municipality.

"There's lots to do and it's all positive," said Koch. "We've had a good council in the past."

The committee appointments were tentative and may change from time to time as the need arises.

"Nothing is cast in stone," said Koch.

Alderman Shanks will remain chairman of the Arena Committee and Alderman Herder will stay as public works chairman.

Alderman Craig will be chairman of the Education, Health and Culture Committee which include the specific areas of library, health, PEP, Crime-stoppers, and youth awareness. Alderman Kolibas will chair the Planning Committee.

As for the newcomers, Alderman Wilson will represent Sechelt within the SCRD and Alderman MacLarty will be the Management Committee chairman. Under management is included public relations.

The Ways and Means Committee is no more. Instead a new committee, the Economic Development Committee has been formed that will be chaired by Mayor Koch himself. Included under that committee are airport, revitalization, and finance.

The Acting Mayor until May 1988 will be Alderman Shanks.

A tentative 1988 preliminary budget was released but it was stressed that the figures in no way represented what would be a final budget which must be submitted to the province by January 18. It was instead only a working paper.

Retiring Alderman Ken Short was presented with a plaque. Anne Langdon was also slated for a presentation but was unable to attend.

Two or three members of the public turned out to witness inauguration and after the official ceremonies were served sandwiches, pastries, and wine.

The tenants of Royal Terraces presented Rockwood Lodge with a tree to add to its collection last Friday. The old gardens are starting to come to life under the green thumb of

Bruno, Sechelt Municipality's gardener. Already rumours are circulating that the gardens of Rockwood Lodge will soon be a popular attraction for visitors as well as residents.

Foreshore policy

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salmon farms interfere with marine navigation and with recreational water use; fish farms have destroyed the formerly unspoiled beauty of coastal waters thereby reducing residential land values; fish farms will have potentially devastating effects on local ecologies, and antibiotics and/or hormone products used in fish feed will find their way into the food chain.

Michael Skinner, of the ombudsman's office, invited the task force to make comment on these and other issues to do with fish farming.

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