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EDITORIAL

Doughnut appreciation 101

By Brian Lee



Doughnuts.

You say that word in just about any other Canadian town and it conjures up a glowing wall at Tim Hortons.

Around here it means tire marks on the highway and it stirs people to an angry froth.

I grew up near downtown Madeira so I was conditioned to think it was all just part of the local scene.

Before I could read a calendar, I knew Friday night by the screeching of tires on the highway across the lake from my bedroom.

To an eight year old kid in 1979, names like Scoular or Dubois went hand in hand with names like Camaro or Trans Am.

And that's what those cars did — they hacked doughnuts.

They rarely hurt anybody while doing it and it gave people something to ponder, like:

"How can they afford to replace a set of tires every weekend?"

By the time I was of age, we didn't have muscle cars but small compacts with front wheel drive.

Aside from the occasional novelty of letting go with spirited reversies in a three-cylinder Chevy Sprint, I never really understood the zeal some guys had for the hobby.

And while I don't want to encourage the art form, you have to admit that sometimes the displays are pretty impressive.

So, why not take a doughnut tour? It's free and our area is overflowing with viewing opportunities.

Follow me.

Any doughnut tour should start at the proving grounds for rubber laying

— the IGA parking lot.

For decades, it was where youth safely honed their chops before hitting the tighter confines of the highway.

Try one yourself — free videography of your session is provided by the shopping centre's many surveillance cameras.

Ask at the IGA nicely and they might even provide a digital copy for your efforts.

A short stop at the Madeira Park crossroad reveals more history.

Decades of doughnuts has produced a layered record, the rubbery sheen an elegy to past masters.

Next comes Misery Mile where three lanes provide a superb canvas for experimentation, fostering a jazzy amalgam of improvisational style and eclectic tread type.

But the highlight of any doughnut tour is the section beyond the Pender Harbour High School.

For more than 10 kilometres, one finds a dazzling variety of compounding ellipses, bold brake stands and squiggles without end.

As you take in the spectacle, note the precision of the doughnuts, often just brushing the gravel on either side, the artist teasing the ditch with his own mortality.

He seems to fuse chaos with order, laying patterns at random — at first glance.

A closer inspection with a sophisticated eye finds a performer well versed in modernist abstraction.

Devoid of pretense, he challenges one to explore the rules encoded in the subconscious that shape our esthetics.

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ARTWAVE - OCT. 8, 9 & 10

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SUNSHINE COAST MUSHROOM FESTIVAL - OCT. 16 & 17

Organized by the Sunshine Coast Society for the Hunting, Recognition and Observation of Mushrooms (SHROOM), this year's mushroom festival will take place Oct. 16 and 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pender Harbour Community Hall. (See p. 37 for more details.)

P. H. LEGION BRANCH #112 LADIES NIGHT - OCT. 23

Ladies Night at the Pender Harbour Legion is back. Included in the ticket price of \$50 per person is a dinner of either salmon or beef (your choice), a raffle ticket to win a gorgeous diamond ring and entry into the Calcutta Draw with a grand prize of \$1,000. Be waited on by your favourite Pender Harbour gentlemen and then rock with our DJ from Bear Music and enjoy great entertainment by Jim Taylor. Doors open 6:30 p.m. with dinner 7:30 p.m.

P. H. MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT - OCT. 24

Internationally renowned Acadian soprano Suzie LeBlanc and Robert Kortgaard, one of Canada's favourite collaborative pianists, open the new season of concerts from the Pender Harbour Music Society on Oct. 24 at 3 p.m. in the Pender Harbour School of Music. LeBlanc's luminous performances of 17th and 18th century music are famous for the story she tells with her voice and the warm connection she makes with her rapt audiences.

2ND ANNUAL P. H. HALLOWEEN BLUES BASH - OCT. 30

The Pender Harbour Blues Society hosts the second annual Halloween Blues Bash at the P. H. Community Hall. Live music will be provided by Steve Kozak and the West Coast All-Stars. There's \$500 in prize money for the best costumes and an auction. For more information visit: penderharbourbluesfestival.com or call (604) 865-0640.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY - OCT 31

The traditional Halloween fireworks display is put on by the P. H. Volunteer Fire Department and takes place at Millennium Park at 7:30 p.m.

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Pender Harbour Community School gets back to the three 'Rs'

Reorganize, restructure and renew.

That's basically how Bruce Whittlesea describes a transformation underway at the Pender Harbour Community School.

Whittlesea is the chair of the Pender Harbour Community School Society, a non-profit organization that oversees the school's operation.

He says they decided to make structural changes to how the PHCS was managed after a number of issues were brought to his attention.

"The organization grew more or less accidentally over the years into what was basically a horizontal format," said Whittlesea.

"We had a number of co-ordinators and they had different responsibilities but nobody was in charge of anybody else and that caused some friction."

The PHCS administers educational programs and services to Area A with funding coming from various sources including the SCRD, School District No. 46 and government grants.

Whittlesea says they have restructured the community school into a vertical format hoping to eliminate some of the redundancies by providing a clear hierarchy of employee responsibility.

Jan Smalley, a co-ordinator with the PHCS since it was created in 1997, chose to step down from her position and will not be involved in the restructuring process.

Accountant Diana Rae was hired for the newly created position of community school co-ordinator.



The Pender Harbour Community School office has moved around since it was started in 1997 but it is now based in one of the portables on the Madeira Park Elementary School grounds.

That position will report directly to the board but assume full responsibility for management of PHCS hiring, programs and finances.

Reporting to Rae will be a receptionist (the only paid employee in the organization) and a number of contract positions including a recreation co-ordinator, program facilitator and various instructors as required.

Despite the changes, the community school still offers a variety of programs for the Fall including an introductory Spanish language course, CORE (Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Education) and a Red Cross babysitting course.

Staff are working on a new list of programs that will be unveiled for the New Year.

Correction (Sept. 2010, p. 45):

Ailsa Antilla won a gold and a silver medal at the 2010 BC Summer Games in equestrian events, not two silvers as reported.

October 2010

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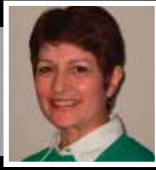

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Some of those involved in bringing bus service to Area A witnessed the official opening of the Pender Harbour/Egmont Bus Service on Sept. 1. (l-r): John Rees, (former Area A director), Cal Bowles (SCRD Transit Supervisor), Marlene Rees, Wade Emmett (SCRD bus driver), Eric Graham (Area A director), Heather Taylor, Jan Smalley and Garry Nohr (Area B director). Marlene Rees, Heather Taylor, Jan Smalley and Patrick Munro (missing from picture) are members of the bus advisory committee.

October at the pool!

• Family Swim Lessons:

Sundays beginning Oct. 3. (Phone the pool for times and information.)

• Annual Food Bank Drive (Week of Oct. 4 - 10):

Bring a non-perishable food item and receive a coupon for ½ price family swim pass for the Thanksgiving swim on Sunday, Oct. 10 from 1-5 p.m.

• Pro D Day (no school) Friday, Oct. 22:

Gymnastic/swim camp: A day full of action! 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Splashin Sneakers 'n snacks swim : 12 - 3 p.m. Admission \$2.

• Halloween Haunt:

Spooky fun and games for the whole family. Arrive in costume with a friend and get 2 for 1 admission. Saturday, Oct. 30, 6 - 9 p.m.

• Aqua Yoga:

Try it free! Wednesday Oct. 6, 9-10 a.m. or 10-11 a.m. Register for a 4 week session in Nov. 13-Dec. 4 on Saturdays from 9-10 a.m.

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Local swimmer solid as an Oakey

Swimmer Lucille Oakey recently returned from the BC Seniors Games with a sore neck — possibly brought on by the medals she wore back with her.

Oakey and her eight Sunshine Coast senior swim team members picked up a total 34 medals at the games, held Sept. 15 to 18 in the Comox Valley.

"The Sunshine Coast did so well it wasn't funny," says Oakey.

"We gave Vancouver a run for their life."

The BC Seniors Games is an annual, multi-sport event hosted by a different BC community each year.

It's one of the largest games organized within BC with approximately 3,500 participants (aged 55-plus) from all over the province.

The Sunshine Coast group competed as part of "Zone 4" — a team made up of athletes from an area running from Whistler and the Sunshine Coast to Tsawwassen.

Despite that, the Sunshine Coast provided nine out of the 24 swimmers competing on their team.

Oakey, the lone representative from Pender Harbour and Egmont, netted five medals of her own — three bronze and two silver in a variety of swimming events including two relays.

One of her silver medals came in the gruelling 800-metre freestyle in which she clocked a time of 18:44.

Oakey, who turned 60 this year, says she is the youngest of the Sunshine Coast group, whose ages range up to 75.

They train out of the Sechelt pool but Oakey would like to organize a group of seniors from Pender Harbour interested in training out of the Pender Harbour aquatic facility.

She has coaching experience and would like to see more swimmers



Lucille Oakey recently returned from the BC Seniors Games in Comox with a pile of medals and a sore neck.

represent the Sunshine Coast at next year's games to be held in the West Kootenays.

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Record Adams River sockeye return offers ideal October getaway



This and the cover photo (taken Sept. 3) hint at the potential for this year's salmon return at the Adams River. It was snapped a full month and a half before peak viewing and during a week when Pender Harbour fishermen were still recording massive hauls of sockeye in the Johnstone Straits.

Those sockeye salmon we heard about all summer as they approached Fraser River fishermen's nets are now hitting their interior spawning beds.

It should provide an unprecedented opportunity to see one of

nature's visual wonders — the Adams River sockeye return.

The 12-kilometre Adams River is one of the top destinations for some of the estimated 34 million sockeye returning to the Fraser River this year.

With the recent worries of declining salmon stocks and the general lack of scientific explanation for it, there's a sense of urgency for anyone interested in witnessing the spectacle.

RODERICK HAIG-BROWN PROVINCIAL PARK

The Adams River links Adams Lake to Shuswap Lake and is fully contained within Roderick Haig Brown Provincial Park.

The park was established in 1977 to protect the spawning beds and is named after conservationist Roderick Haig-Brown (1908-1976).

It's the final destination for a variety of salmon species after completing a 17-day, 485-kilometre odyssey up the Fraser and Thompson Rivers from the sea.

Early to mid-October is considered the best time for viewing but visitors really can't go wrong this year with sockeye arriving in modest numbers as early as August.

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The cycle does not produce equal spawning runs each year. Every four years a “dominant” run occurs which sees a much higher volume of sockeye return to the river.

In 2002 a record 3.6 million sockeye returned to the Adams River and 2010 could top that.

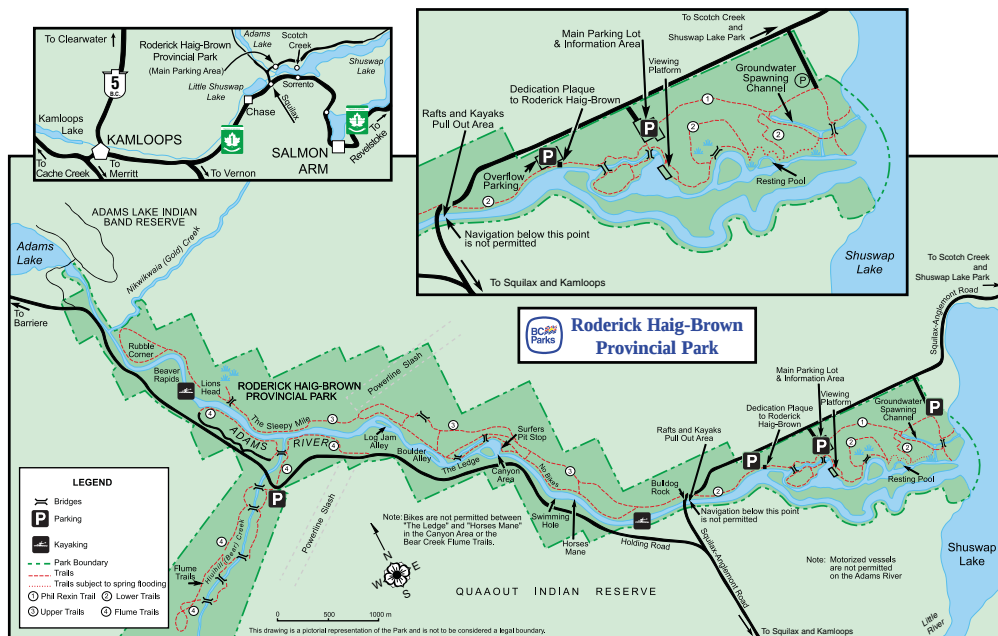
To celebrate the quadrennial dominant run, the Adams River Salmon Society holds the Salute to the Sockeye Festival every four years in the main visitor area in the park.

The three-week-long event opens Oct. 3 featuring guided walks, exhibits and displays, a keynote speech by Roderick Haig-Brown’s grand-daughter Mary Haig-Brown, rhythm and blues by the Salmon Armenians and free refreshments.

But the real spectacle is the salmon, who for three weeks will hold centre stage for the visitors and wildlife that will flock to the river’s shore.

IF YOU GO

The 1,059-hectare Roderick Haig-Brown Provincial Park sits five kilometres from the Squilax exit on the Trans-Canada Highway.



BC Parks map

Roderick Haig-Brown Provincial Park is located 66 kilometres past Kamloops on the Trans-Canada highway, approximately 450 kilometres from Vancouver.

It’s a 450-kilometre drive from Vancouver, 66 kilometres past of Kamloops on the Trans-Canada Highway.

There is no camping permitted in the park but visitors can stay in Shuswap Lake Provincial Park or in nearby Chase, Sorrento or Salmon Arm, all nearby.

With over 300,000 visitors ex-

pected during the three-week event, weekends will be busy so best viewing times are likely to be weekdays.

A nominal parking fee is charged during the festival to help offset the costs for hosting the Salute to the Salmon event.

OBITUARY

Peder John Berntzen

DECEMBER 27, 1933 - AUGUST 23, 2010



Peder Berntzen passed away peacefully after a long battle with cancer.

He is survived by his loving wife Donna, daughter Tracy (Patrick), son Chris (Laura), and two granddaughters, Lauren and Tara.

There will be no service at Peder’s request and in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the BC Cancer Society or Shorncliffe.



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Recreation updates for Area A



By Eric Graham
SCRD Director,
Area A

EGMONT/ PENDER HARBOUR BUS

As of press time, the community bus has run for six complete days (on Wednesdays and Saturdays).

The number of passengers has been as high as 19 and as low as 4 per day with an average of 12 per day.

We will operate it according to the schedule (advertised below) for three months before asking the public for suggestions on how we can improve the passenger volume without increasing costs.

The bus advisory committee will decide if the scheduling needs to be changed to better serve the public.

P. H. AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTRE

The pool reopened Sept. 13.

With the renovations almost complete, it's early but it looks like attendance has increased.

Over the summer change rooms have been improved, new benches installed and lockers added.

This facility, completely paid for by the taxpayers in Area A, closed last year while undergoing extensive renovations.

Many people are upset with the summer closures but, with all the lakes that we have in the area, it usu-



MEETINGS AT 1975 FIELD ROAD

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October 7 at 1:30 p.m.

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October 14 at 1:30 p.m.

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October 14 and 28 at 7:30 p.m.

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AREA A - ADVISORY PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the Egmont/Pender Harbour Advisory Planning Commission is on Wednesday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Pender Harbour High School, Room 107.

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7	Leave Petro Canada gas station	11:01 a.m.
8	Leave John Henry's Marina	11:15 a.m.
9	Leave Petro Canada gas station	11:29 a.m.
10	Leave Pender Community Hall	11:37 a.m.
11	Arrive Sechelt Library	12:09 p.m.
12	Leave Sechelt Library	2:09 p.m.
13	Leave Pender Community Hall	2:41 p.m.
14	Leave Petro Canada gas station	2:49 p.m.
15	Leave John Henry's Marina	3:03 p.m.
16	Leave Petro Can	3:17 p.m.
17	Arrive Egmont Museum	3:46 p.m.
18	Leave Egmont Museum	3:46 p.m.
19	Leave Earl's Cove Ferry	4:06 p.m.
20	Leave Petro Canada gas station	4:30 p.m.
21	Arrive Pender Community Hall	4:38 p.m.

Area A - Director Contact Information

Director Eric Graham is available to meet with residents to discuss local issues related to the Sunshine Coast Regional District. He can be reached at home at 604-883-9061 or by email at ericgraham@dccnet.com.

ally closes during the main summer months to cut operating costs.

This year it is expected to cost the taxpayers (cost less revenue) \$304,000 in operating costs.

COMMUNITY PARKS

This SCRD function is funded by the five rural areas of the Sunshine Coast, in which Sechelt, Gibson and the Sechelt Indian Government do not participate.

The total budget this year is \$1,352,442, of which Area A pays \$369,659.

We're fortunate to have many great facilities in our area, including Baker Beach, the former forestry complex in Madeira Park, John Daly Park, Pender Hill, Katherine Lake Park and campsite, Dan Bosch Park, Ruby Lake, Egmont Playing field and the SCRD Lions Sports Field — to name just a few.

Recently the SCRD and Egmont Community Club have taken over management of the Klein Lake Campsite (from BC Parks) and with the help of new caretakers, it has become a huge success.

Another part of the parks function is the new SunCoaster Trail that starts at Hwy. 101 and Egmont Road and travels for 37-kilometre to Home-site Creek in Halfmoon Bay.

The original walking and bike trail was started back in the 1990s by a hard-working non-profit society.

Due to recent funding from a provincial "make-work" grant of over \$500,000, those bits and pieces have been joined together by local contrac-

tor Andrew Curtiss.

There are still bridges and work yet to be done but soon a walk, bike and, in many places, an ATV trail, will be completed to Homesite Creek.

The hope is for it to be continued to Langdale, making this a walk and bike trail from ferry to ferry.

RECREATION PROGRAMS

For many years, Area A paid into the SCRD recreation function and it was thought that we would be able to get a better bang for the buck by contracting out the job of supplying local programs through the Pender Harbour Community School.

There came to be a problem with successful delivery of many programs and so changes had to be made.

Over the past few months the community school closed down in order to reorganize with new arrangements between the school and Area A.

Community school programs will now start April 1 in order for a three-month lead time to develop and advertise new programs at the start of each year, something that did not happen in the past.

Jan Smalley, the Pender Harbour Community School co-ordinator for the past 13 years, decided to take some time off and, on behalf of our community, I would like to thank her for the hard work.

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Thanks Jan and I hope you enjoy some much deserved time off.

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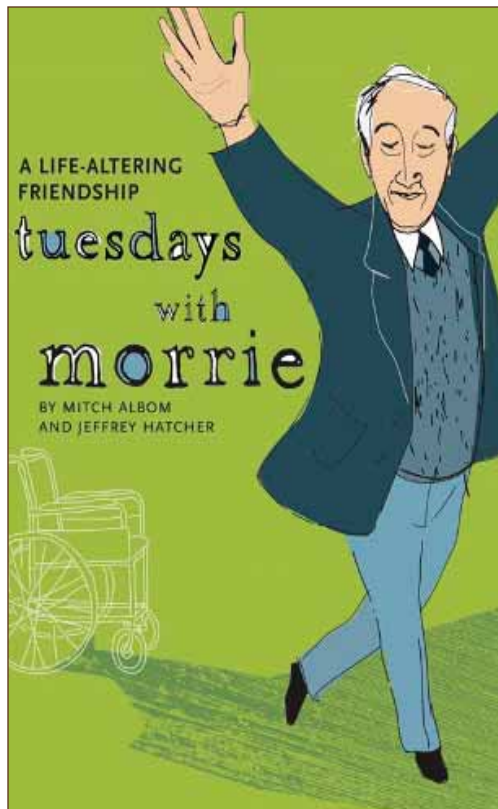
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Someone older, patient and wise, who understood you when you were young and searching, helped you see the world as a more profound place, gave you sound advice to help you make your way through it.

For Mitch Albom, that person was Morrie Schwartz, his college professor from nearly 20 years ago.

Maybe, like Mitch, you lost track of this mentor as you made your way, and the insights faded, and the world seemed colder.

Wouldn't you like to see that person again, ask the bigger questions that still haunt you, receive wisdom for your busy life today the way you once did when you were younger?

Mitch Albom had that second chance.

Sixteen years after his graduation, Mitch happens to catch Morrie's appearance on a television news program and learns his old professor is battling Lou Gehrig's disease.

He rediscovered Morrie in the last months of the older man's life.

Knowing he was dying, Morrie visited with Mitch in his study every Tuesday, just as they used to back in college.

Their rekindled relationship turned into one final "class" — lessons in how to live.

"As you grow, you learn more," Morrie tells Mitch on their seventh Tuesday together.

"If you stayed as ignorant as you were at 22, you'd always be 22. Aging is not just decay, you know. It's

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growth.

"It's more than the negative that you're going to die, it's the positive that you understand you're going to die, and that you live a better life because of it."

Albom's book topped the New York Times non-fiction bestseller list in 2000 and then never really left, selling well over 11 million copies worldwide.

Albom and Jeffrey Hatcher's adaption of the bestseller will be performed on the Sunshine Coast for the first time this month.

Antonio Grandanti plays the part of Mitch and Antony Holland is the aging Morrie.

Tuesdays with Morrie will be performed Saturday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. at the Seniors Activity Centre in Sechelt.

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at Gaia's Fair Trade Gifts in Gibsons, Medichair in Sechelt and Bluewaters Books in Pender Harbour.

Tuesdays with Morrie is presented by the Sunshine Coast Hospice Society.

Formed in 1987, the hospice society is a non-profit organization whose mission is to offer "friendship, understanding and compassionate support to clients, their families and their friends during the last stages of illness and during bereavement."

Hospice volunteers are trained to provide support to individuals and families dealing with life-threatening illness.

The society also acts as a resource for local health care providers, offering its services from Egmont to Langdale.

Through donations and fundraising efforts, the Sunshine Coast Hos-

pice Society also supports two palliative care rooms as well as a family room at Shorncliffe in Sechelt.

Care is provided there round the clock by professional staff.

There have been a few volunteers in Pender Harbour for several years, including six new volunteers who

completed the introductory hospice volunteer training program last spring.

Typically, physicians or nurses make referrals to hospice but anyone can refer someone else or themselves to hospice by phoning (604) 740-1360.

Fear and phobia

Before the advent of modern dentistry, people commonly suffered toothache and tooth loss from their youth on.

Many were disfigured by dark, crooked, or missing teeth.

Toothless senior citizens suffered malnutrition because they weren't able to chew properly.

Today, most dental patients can be free of toothache, keep their teeth throughout their life, and have a pleasing smile.

How do modern dentists achieve these feats?

Preventive dentistry, emphasizing education and regular checkups, has been a key factor in avoiding toothache and tooth loss.

Nevertheless, many people avoid the dentist.

Some neglect dental treatment out of indifference, others are deterred by the expense, still others are afraid.

Whatever your circumstance, it is worth asking: what can the dentist do for me?

Today's dentists can restore your ability to chew or make your smile more attractive by fitting a denture

to replace missing teeth, or provide a fixed bridge that caps a tooth at each side of the gap and holds one to replace missing teeth.

An increasingly popular option is an implant.

A titanium anchor is inserted into the jawbone where the tooth used to be, and when the bone and gum have grown back into place, the dentist attaches an artificial tooth to the anchor.

Crooked teeth can be embarrassing and hard to clean, making them prone to disease.

If teeth do not come together properly, they may be painful and make chewing difficult.

These problems can usually be corrected with braces.

If visiting a dentist makes you especially anxious, your dentist will want to help you to cope with your fear, so tell him how you feel.

Most dentists have an interest in speaking kindly to their clients.

If the expense of dental treatment is your biggest fear, having a regular checkup and cleaning now may help you avoid problems and expensive treatment later.



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Billy Goat Gruff's bridge

Dear Editor,

The Kleindale town council met the other night and cousin Kenny said, as mayor, he thought we should invite the prime minister and premier to the official opening to show our gratitude for the \$1.5 million construction and we should name it Billy Goat Gruff Bridge in honour of Uncle Jimmy's goats that used to lie on the warm pavement.

"It's kinda sad," said the mayor.

"Townies used to stop and take photos beside the 'Wildlife Viewing' sign to show their grandkids what a real mountain goat looked like when they got back to Burnaby.

"Besides the goats did a better job slowing down traffic than the cop in the bushes who gave Auntie Anne a \$180 ticket last week for speeding in the 25 km/h zone.

Sadly Uncle Jimmy had to get rid of them when Uncle Donnie's gravel truck had an argument with the whole herd one dark December morning.

All through Christmas the coyotes were hollerin' for days while doin' the clean-up.

Aunt Bessie, who is a tender-hearted sort and president of the Kleindale Animal Rights Association, was leakin' a powerful passel o' tears just grievin' for those billy goats an' their families.

Luckily cousin Dave down at the Oak Tree Market has the herd in his freezer and Mayor Kenny is planning the Billy Goat's Gruff Bridge celebration billed as the first annual Kleindale Goat Barbecue to be held at the Crossroads on the fifth Saturday in February each year.

After the first barbecue, it will be strictly BYOG.

Just how Kleindale got this wonderful new bridge is kinda interestin'.

Seems every November, with a southeaster on a high tide, the road would flood for a half an hour or so.

And when Grampa Elmer, the old beaver who lives in the Kleindale Swamp, has one too many, he'll

like as not dam up the culvert makin' things worse.

That's when cousin Art would arrive with the highways truck along with the conservation officer who is from away.

Ray, who I think is my third cousin by marriage, is the official highways trapper and he would throw a raft of leg hold traps in Meadow Creek hopin' to drown the little bug-gers.

My former brother-in-law, who is now the fisheries officer, would be there dancin' an' cryin about the three coho waitin' below the plugged culvert to swim up cousin Bill's crick to spawn.

Seems last year Aunt Bessie got wind of all this and snuck down at midnight to snatch the traps and then had Uncle Jimmy weld them into a modern sculpture which is being auctioned to raise money for animal rights.

You can see it for yourself in the Kleindale Art Gallery, painted in fluorescent blood red.

When Senator Carney, comin' from Daniel Point in her new shiny RV saw all this an' was delayed, she shouted, "Something has to be done!" and she promptly phoned Uncle Gordie. The rest is history.

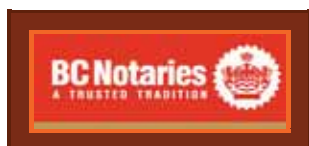
Now that the SCRD is closing down the Kleindale Picnic Grounds to build a Zero Waste Centre, there's not much happenin'. Drive safely. Watch out for that big angry bull elk with the arrow in his butt who is a bit slow leapin' over your hood when crossing in front of your car on Highway 101. Plan to be at the big party. Remember, everyone's related to someone in Kleindale.

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Skinny says don't 'pooh' on Sea-Doos

Dear Editor,

Re: "Clemence pooh-poohs Harbour Sea-Doos" (September 2010).

Annie must have been having a bad day when she wrote to you.

She's actually very broad-minded — very similar to myself!

Thank God for the Sea-Doos. And thank God for the young energetic guys and gals that run 'em.

I talked to one young fella up at Pender Diesel and he said a few months previous he had taken out one that did 85 miles an hour.

Impressive. What a fantastic and useful tool.

Need a mechanic, a doctor, a diver, a firefighter or some parts for repairs? The Sea-Doo might be just the tool.

They're really not all that noisy and they don't throw much of a wake.

A few years back, I was working for Annie and a nice new black and silver 'Doo was cruising up and down the narrows with different people taking turns on it.

One of them was a way cool brunette in a black bathin' suit, cutest little posture you've ever seen and running the thing better than you could ever imagine.

(And as I recall, not wearing any flotation device except the ones that Jesus gave her.)

But let's keep the police right out

of the Harbour.

We can police it ourselves with common sense and a Christian attitude.

Our society is almost a total washout with rules and regulations and no-nos all over the place.

You can't do this and you can't do that and you can't say this to this group — what's left to do?

The fishing, the logging, the adventure, the freedom — it's all been bugged by these bloody morons.

Yes, there's some danger with the Sea-Doos but driving down the highway with a car slipping past you in the opposite direction is a tiny bit risky too.

So I say, let's all chip in and get Annie a nice new 'Doo. A real fast one.

We'll put her on there in a red bathing suit, a white captain's hat, a cigar and she can bring all these bad-dies to justice.

But if you're going to get anything to work, you've gotta get the element of youth in it.

There's your energy, there's your daredevil spirit.

Youth will find a way, just look at the skateboard phenomenon.

Press on youth. Find your niche. Open the throttle. God prospers the brave. Keep 'er on the road.

It's time for the Doos to cruise.

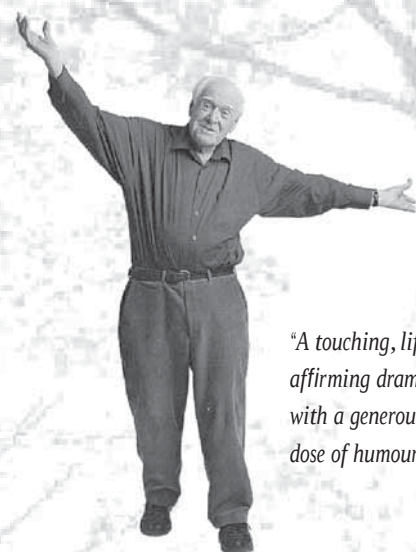
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The Pender Harbour Lions Club wishes to thank Cindy Schroeder and Rob Stiglitz for their many years of great work and service as the Pender Harbour Lions Club caretakers. We will be forever grateful and wish them well in their new home.

The Lions Club would also like to recognize the only remaining founding member still active in our club. Peter Benjafield has for decades been a positive influence on our club and his good humour and fine work has rubbed off on the rest of the club, benefiting the community at large greatly.

Finally, the Pender Harbour Lions Club thanks those volunteers that made our first annual Garlic Festival a wonderful success. We couldn't have done it without you.

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Dealing with a dog that is frightened of children



By John Wade

Dear John:

We have a two-year old Shih Tzu that we took to obedience school.

She still growls at children and is very fearful and timid.

The younger the child, the worse she is, especially with tots three- and under.

We have an almost three-year old grandson and another on the way but my daughter-in-law no longer wants her son around our dogs.

We seem, so far, to have no problem if the child is older and, of course, the quieter the better as this dog is very timid and shy and I think uses her growling as protection.

I am afraid someday she'll nip someone's small child.

-Maude

Dear Maude,

I'm with your daughter-in-law.

Keep them separated, but not by separate rooms — separate provinces would be better.

You describe a dog poorly socialized, likely complicated by being wired with a low threshold for stress.

You can't train that out of the dog anymore than you could a person.

Improve it? Maybe but not a job for the average dog owner so a Shih Tzu rescue may be your dog's best bet.

It should be a one-way trip, though. With her history I wouldn't let my kids around her either.

Dogs poorly socialized before 12 weeks of age can have a hard time



copied with the various human developmental stages.

I've assessed countless dogs over the years and I've seen dogs that tolerated infants but feared those that crawled, and others that were okay until the toddling period began. Eight-year-old boys are particularly susceptible to dog bites due to their, "I know I'm not supposed to do this but I wonder why?" outlook on life.

Teaching your grandchild how to "behave" won't help.

There are countless "Child Safety Around Dogs" programs to teach children how to behave around dogs.

But if we're to be honest and sweep aside the enthusiasm that their sponsors have for them, what we would find is that after decades and countless dollars and man-hours, there is no real evidence that any have ever produced significant results.

One out of two children are still

bitten by a dog before the age of 12 and with 25 per cent requiring medical care.

Instead, we should put the safety funding towards educating dog trainers that "ignoring bad behaviour and rewarding good behaviour, i.e. treat-based dog training is unnatural and dangerous.

We should make it mandatory for breeders to educate themselves on genetics and socialization and make them follow up on their litters.

Finally, we should educate people to stay away from buying breeds with physical and mental needs they don't have the time to channel.

Regards,
John Wade

If you have questions for John, send e-mail to: johnwade@johnwade.ca or visit his website at www.johnwade.ca

This could be what you're looking for...



By Barry Ashley

Does your life need a boost?
Are you young at heart and still reasonably fit and active?

Then you need to join the Pender Harbour Volunteer Fire Department.

"Hold it," you say, your natural resistance to sales pressure coming to the fore, trying to think of a proper reason to say, "Not me."

But consider the following:

Your community depends on people like you — if nobody steps forward, your fire department will cease to exist.

So many people don't realize that its members are all volunteers.

There isn't a professional department here as in many larger communities and it exists because over 50 years ago, some responsible people decided that if the community was to flourish, it needed a fire department. So they made it happen.

They became firefighters using whatever equipment they could get their hands on to provide the community with it's first fire cover.

From these humble beginnings, it has evolved to become the well-trained and equipped organization it is today.

WHY ME?

Simple. The Pender Harbour Fire Department is getting low in numbers, and we need new members.

WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?

You must be over 18, in good health, reasonably fit and active.

There is no upper age limit — if you're fit and agile enough, you're in.

You need to be able to attend most training nights, which are on Wednesdays between 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. either at the Garden Bay or Madeira Park firehall. (The department has two firehalls, you would be assigned to the one nearest you but both are called out to all incidents in the Fire Protection District).

You must be prepared to respond to call outs (by pager) whenever you're able but it is recognized that work and family commitments will sometimes preclude this.

WHAT KIND OF THINGS DO YOU GET CALLED TO?

There are many fewer fires than there used to be. Motor vehicle accidents and medical assistance calls are more frequent now.

Fire departments are generally viewed as the folks to call when you don't know what else to do, so there are calls to other types of rescues as well.

HOW FREQUENT ARE CALLS?

Not very often. These days calls average about once a week.

So, it won't take over your life but remember, you never know when the next call is coming — that's part of the excitement.

DO YOU HAVE WOMEN FIRE-FIGHTERS?

Yes we do, but not as many as we would like — we have one female firefighter at Madeira Park.

She's been a member for several years and last year was voted to the rank of lieutenant by the other members.

I'M WORRIED ABOUT WHAT I'LL SEE AND I'M NOT SURE HOW I'LL HANDLE IT.

Don't be. It's very rare you'll see anything really nasty, and if you do, you'll be amazed at how you cope.

You're part of a team, and that helps enormously in dealing with stressful situations. You'll be proud of yourself.

If you think it might be for you, phone Fire Chief Don Murray at (604) 740-6981 or visit the Garden Bay or Madeira Park firehall on Wednesday training nights.

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Winding down at the golf club after a busy summer schedule

By Jan Watson

MEN'S CLUB

Rusty Ellis won the senior men's championship held on Aug. 21 and 22.

Ellis shot a 36 hole total of 164. The event's runner-up was Blake Priebe with 167 and low net winner was Peter Kenny with 134.

Eldy Gandy shot 88 to win the Super Seniors Championship held on Sept. 14. Low net winner was Terry Cowan with 62.

Stroke play on Sept. 7 saw low net winner Lorne Campbell shoot a 66 while Ian Grant came in second with 69. Kp on No. 3 was Peter Kenny and on No. 6 it was Glenn McCuaig.

The Sept. 14 stroke play event was won by Lorne Campbell with net 68 and runner up with 69 was Rusty Ellis. Kp on No. 3 was Terry Cowan and on No. 6 it was Rusty Ellis.

LADIES CLUB

The ladies annual field day was a huge success on Aug. 19 with 68 participants.

This year's theme was "Swing with Bling" and most joined in the fun dressed in lots of glitter.

It was a team event with the two best low net scores from each foursome used per hole. The winners were Mary Carlsen, Judy Cooke, Joan Stanton and Merete McDonald with 113.

Kp on No. 3 was Shelley Stunell and on No. 6 it was Marita Anderson.

Sept. 9 saw a team Shamble,

where the best drive is taken for each hole and then everyone hits their own ball from there on.

The winners with 294 were Heather Cranston, Kryss Parranto and Carolyn Kirkland.

Second with 296 were Jackie Grant, Helen Crabb and Jan Watson.

The low net event on Sept. 16 saw Pat Hallborg win the front nine with 29 and Joan Stanton win the back nine with 31.

The last Ladies Steak Night of the year had eight teams playing and the winners (after a tiebreaker) were Reni Ducich, Jackie Grant, Wendy Simmonds and Vicki Halford.

Second with the same score of 33 were Mary Carlsen, Heather Shannon, Robyn and

Joan Foster. Kp on No. 3 was Mary Carlsen and on No. 6, Jan Watson.

MONDAY MIXED TWILIGHT

On Aug. 23 the winners were George Grout, Barb Nuttall, Gerry Reiter and Jan Watson after a tiebreaker with Lorna Lycan, Joan Fransen, Bob and Reni Ducich. Both teams scored 36.

On Aug. 30, winners were Grant

Hallborg, Barb Nuttall and Joan Fransen with 35, Kp on No. 3 was George Grout and Barb Nuttall.

Sept. 13 saw the last Monday scramble of the season and winners were Gerry Reiter, Pat Hallborg, Bob Ducich and Jan Watson with 33. Kp on No. 3 was Don Ball and on No. 6 it was Pat Hallborg who finished it off with a great putt for a birdie.

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 2: Husband and Wife Odd Couple Tournament

Oct. 23: Annual General Meeting and Awards Night.

FROM THE 19TH HOLE...

Golf is a game whose aim is to hit a very small ball into a very small hole, with weapons singularly ill-designed for the purpose.

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 Oct. 3 ~ **Maureen Parrott** and **John Farrer**.
 Oct. 7 ~ **Marlene Kracklauer**.
 Oct. 9 ~ **Norm Caron** and **Jolaine Percival**.
 Oct. 10 ~ **Daryl Hegyi**, **Mitch Jones**, **Katrina Woodard**, **Rick Higgins**, **Val Silvey** and **Kate Daniels**.
 Oct. 11 ~ **Bruno Cote**.
 Oct. 12 ~ **Alison Stoutenburg** and **Bricin Lyons**.
 Oct. 13 ~ **P. D. Smith** and **Judy Sim**.
 Oct. 14 ~ **Nicole Forsyth**.
 Oct. 15 ~ **Courtney Hanna**, **Kaiden Bosch** and **Richard Norrish**.
 Oct. 16 ~ **Ursula Hardwick**, **Dane Hanna** and **Terri Welander**.
 Oct. 17 ~ **Peter Vaughan**.
 Oct. 18 ~ **Karen Stiglitz**, **Tommy Gamble**, **Tessa Rand** and **Cody Honeybourne-Kincaide**.

Oct. 19 ~ **Doug Hardwick** and **Hans Schroeder**.
 Oct. 20 ~ **Lonny Edwardson** and **Doug Richardson**.
 Oct. 22 ~ **Susan Foreman**, **Pat Wood**, **Katheryn Kelly**, **Alysa English** and **Mark Clay**.
 Oct. 23 ~ **Bill Clayton** and **Diane Dennis**.
 Oct. 24 ~ **Roxanne Gregory** and **Larry Honeybourne**.
 Oct. 25 ~ **Doug Davis** and **Kerry Rand**.
 Oct. 27 ~ **Dave Malcolm** and **Cindy Rayko**.
 Oct. 28 ~ **Eric McDermott** and **Rob Metcalfe**.
 Oct. 29 ~ **Colleen Silvey** and **Nicholas Silvey**.
 Oct. 30 ~ **Jack Bowden**.
 Oct. 31 ~ **Richard Mills** and twins **Savannah & Sawyer Cote**.

OCTOBER ASTROLOGY

LIBRA: SEPT. 24 – OCT. 23

Libras seek perfection and harmony and passionately believe in fairness and equality. They are diplomatic, charming, stylish, self-expressive, and spontaneous. Libras do well at arithmetic but are often slovenly and overcook seafood.

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Scorpios are highly sensitive and compassionate, with a fierce pride and determination. They are capable of great patience and can be profoundly insightful as well as deeply cynical. Scorpios will be especially sensitive to the smell of bleach during the October lunar cycle.

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PARAPROSDOKIAN SENTENCES

A paraproisdokian (from Greek “παρά-”, meaning “beyond” and “προσδοκία”, meaning “expectation”) is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. It is frequently used for humorous or dramatic effect, sometimes producing an anticlimax.

Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.

I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it's still on the list.

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.

War does not determine who is right - only who is left.

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

OCTOBER WEATHER

TEMPERATURES (Merry Island)

Our average daily high temperature in October is 12.8 C and our average daily low is 8.5 C, giving us a mean daily temperature of 10.7 C. Our average first-frost date (at sea level) is Oct. 30. The highest October temperature recorded was 21.1 C (Oct. 1, 1975); the lowest October temperature recorded was -4 C (Oct.31, 1984).

PRECIPITATION (Merry Island)

October has an average of 115 hours of bright sunshine and averages 16 days with measurable rainfall and a total of 108.8 mm for the month. The highest October daily rainfall recorded at Merry Island in October was 62.2 mm (Oct. 21, 1963). The Canadian record for the greatest rainfall in a 24-hour period is 489 mm (Ucluelet BC, Oct. 6, 1967).

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~October~

DATE/TIME - SIZE (small, medium, large, **extra large**),

EBB (-), FLOOD (+) - Standing wave is best on large flood (tide flowing into Sechelt Inlet).

Oct. 1	12:27 pm +L, 6:18 pm -S
Oct. 2	1:23 pm +L, 7:37 pm -S
Oct. 3	2:10 pm +L, 8:50 pm -M
Oct. 4	8:12 am -M, 2:49 pm +L
Oct. 5	9:21 am -M, 3:24 pm +L
Oct. 6	10:20 am -M, 3:57 pm +L
Oct. 7	11:15 am -M, 4:30 pm +L
Oct. 8	12:08 pm -M, 5:04 pm +L
Oct. 9	1:01 pm -M, 5:41 pm +M
Oct. 10	7:31 am +XL , 1:54 pm -M
Oct. 11	8:27 am +XL , 2:48 pm -M
Oct. 12	9:27 am +XL , 3:44 pm -S
Oct. 13	10:31 am +XL , 4:44 pm -S
Oct. 14	11:34 am +L, 5:50 pm -S
Oct. 15	12:32 pm +L, 6:59 pm -M
Oct. 16	1:22 pm +L, 8:03 pm -M
Oct. 17	6:47 am -M, 2:03 pm +L
Oct. 18	7:57 am -M, 2:37 pm +L
Oct. 19	8:53 am -S, 3:01 pm +M
Oct. 20	9:41 am -S, 3:18 pm +M
Oct. 21	10:26 am -S, 3:38 pm +M
Oct. 22	11:12 am -S, 4:04 pm +M
Oct. 23	11:58 am -S, 4:37 pm +M
Oct. 24	12:46 pm -S, 5:14 pm +M
Oct. 25	1:34 pm -S, 5:55 pm +M
Oct. 26	8:04 am +XL , 2:24 pm -S
Oct. 27	8:51 am +XL , 3:15 pm -S
Oct. 28	9:44 am +XL , 4:08 pm -S
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Pender Harbour Jazz Fest's busy schedule saw acts all over the Harbour on Saturday evening. Here the duo of Ruth McGillivray and Sheldon Bradley keep people warm and dry in the Garden Bay Restaurant. Diners on the deck didn't fare as well but many danced right through the showery evening.



After working their last day at the Painted Boat, someone received this unexpected gift bidding them a fond farewell.



The Pender Harbour Bananas and the Sechelt Indian Band under-30 Young Renegades played an exhibition match at Lions Field to start off the 20010/11 soccer season. The young guys beat the Bananas 3-2 but since then the Bananas are undefeated in their first two regular season games. Home games this month are every second Sunday: Oct. 3, 17 and 31.



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Is the market poised for a turn?



By Alan Stewart

August 2010 home sales were down from last year in both the number of sales (43 vs. 52) and the median price (\$381,000 vs. \$430,000).

This is hardly enough information to suggest a trend but we've become hyper-sensitive to any significant fluctuations.

While this may be a bit discouraging, according to the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver's MLS statistics for the Sunshine Coast, 2010 has seen seven per cent more home sales than 2009 with a median price that's up nine per cent.

I wouldn't go so far as saying we are in a "healthy market," but we've entered a much more balanced market than the tumultuous days of 2008.

Statistics suggest the likelihood of prices moving slightly downward as a result of the number of listings currently available.

This August, we had a record 630 homes available — a rise of more than 23 per cent from last year.

A first-year economics student



would argue an increase in supply will lead to a softening in price and that makes sense, right?

Well, an interesting thing is happening that may be a subtle indicator that we are in for a change.

While the market in general is taking its lumps, high end homes appear to be gaining ground.

Why is it that while the median price is falling, 65 per cent of all \$1 million-plus home sales this year have taken place in the last two months?

When approximately 17 per cent of all home sales this year were above \$600,000, 25 per cent of August sales

were sold for higher than that amount — a significant performance improvement for the high end market.

Those buyers with the necessary resources would appear to think that now is a good time to buy.

If the overall market is suffering, why have 44 per cent of all the homes listed between \$2 million and \$3 million on the Sunshine Coast sold this year sold and, of those, 75 per cent since June?

If the last two economic downturns in the Greater Vancouver housing market are any indication of the lag time between the drop in the

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market and the start of a recovery, perhaps we should be preparing for a turnaround.

In 1981, the market dropped significantly for two years and then saw some stability for a period of another two years before starting a steady recovery.

In 1994 the market dropped steadily over a period of four years before starting a slow three year recovery and then a dramatic rise from 2002 until 2007.

According to the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver's Housing Price Index, Sunshine Coast housing prices have been dropping since August 2007.

That's three years of "down" so is "up" around the corner?
Time will tell.

U.S. MARKET RECOVERY?

While many of us tried to ignore the influence of the US economy on our real estate market, in 2008 we learned a hard lesson about our own fragility.

Some savvy real estate investors were making the move out of the Sunshine Coast market during the frenzy of 2006 and 2007.

Are those the same folks moving back in?

A recent article from Fortune Finance, an American publication, titled "A Housing Rebound? Yes, It's Possible" suggests that:

"Despite continued discouraging data from the real estate sector, a few bullish arguments are beginning to emerge."

While some suggest that the U.S. housing market could be in for another 15 to 20 per cent fall, Bill Wheaton of MIT's Centre for Real Estate, thinks the housing market in the U.S.

is poised to make a strong comeback.

The basis for his argument lies in the rate of residential construction today, which is historically low.

It's so low that he believes demand is actually exceeding the level of building going on.

He estimates that housing demand in 2009 was more than twice construction levels and as the housing construction industry recovers to meet that demand, it could add significantly to the country's GDP.

Some might think that Wheaton sounds way too bullish given what most experts are saying about America's housing rut.

But as Wheaton says,
"He could be wrong. He might only be half-right. But the bull's side is worth hearing as much as the bear's."

SO WHAT'S NEXT?

My two daughters played on the same soccer team for the first time this weekend and I watched with interest as my younger daughter's confidence grew as she played alongside her talented big sister.

My guess is that as more and more financially savvy investors (the big sisters) return to our real estate landscape, those with lesser means will gain confidence and re-enter the market, fueling the fires of a gradual

turnaround in more affordable real estate market segments.

Please send any suggestions for story lines to alan@sunshinecoasthomes.com.

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Wei Hsu: The first non-native to live in Pender Harbour (Part 3)

By Anne Crocker

*The historic events depicted here are loosely based on the author's own imagination and should not be interpreted as fact — unless it suits the reader to do so.
(Continued from Sept. 2010)*

Part III

In July 1871, British Columbia became Canada's sixth province. For Wei Hsu's New Westminster, Confederation brought with it the promise of a railway link with eastern Canada making it the gateway for Canada's Pacific trade.

Despite his optimism, Hsu understood no one recognized the opportunity more clearly than Scottish canners from downriver: Ewen, Loggie, Wise and Hennessy.

The demand for canned salmon was growing in Great Britain and Confederation meant huge profits for those already established.

But while this should have been good news for Wei Hsu and his partner Chan Toy, the increasingly frequent threats and instances of sabotage had them worried. The Scots were bullying them but authorities refused to act.

And it was Lucy's fault. They held a reputation for having the best canned salmon available but couldn't compete with the Scots large scale operation. While the Scots produced over 30,000 cans of canned salmon that year, Hsu and Lucy and Toy exhausted

themselves canning 9,000.

They were not a threat but the four capitalists were known for not accepting rivals, even insignificant ones like the two Chinamen.

Late in the summer of 1873, sockeye ran as thick as molasses up the Fraser River.

It was said that at its peak, rowers trying to cross near Whonnock were locked in schools so thick they had to give in and be carried by the flow.

It was just after the peak week of that record salmon run that Toy failed to return from a day fishing.

The burnt remnants of his 22-foot dory was found twisting in an eddy downriver; Toy's body never turned up.

Once again, Hsu faced the prospect of fleeing for his family's safety. He'd heard about the possibility of free land for settlers up north near Desolation Sound.

Lucy made friends with a large Sliammon family who had travelled down for the seasonal salmon return.

When they announced they were preparing to return to what is now Powell River, she managed to negotiate passage in one of their three canoes.

After three days of packing and selling off household items, Hsu, Lucy and nine-year-old Mary (Xiu-Xiu) left New Westminster, heading out the Fraser River with little more than their savings.

After nervously trespassing on Musqueam Territory for a night, the three canoes headed north into open water early the next morning.



Wei Hsu, 1861.

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The weather was good and after a peaceful night camped on Thormanby Island, the canoes set off again, heading for the narrow opening on the horizon between Texada Island and their home.

By mid-morning the wind had picked up and was giving the 24-foot canoes a heavy pounding. As the swells grew, a crack appeared in the bottom of one of the older canoes and before the paddlers could cross the three miles to shore, it broke up.

The crews of the other two canoes managed to save all the occupants of the stricken one, but the wind ensured much of their supplies were lost.

With only two canoes remaining, Hsu and his wife and child stayed behind on a rocky headland in the hopes a passing boat would pick them up.

They had enough food for a couple of weeks and their life's belongings, piled on the rocky and sloped shore of a isolated beach.

For days Lucy and Mary eyed the water for a

passing boat while Hsu explored the nearby beaches for supplies lost when the canoe broke up. It was still early September and relatively warm but Hsu hadn't a clue as to where they were or how they might continue on. By day five, Lucy and Mary were becoming increasingly frightened, making Hsu more desperate.

He followed the rough contours of the beach, peeling his eyes peeled for suitable logs to lash together for a makeshift boat to sail northward. The beach took a turn west and Hsu was surprised to find what looked to be a inlet or harbour.

As he continued farther along the steep rocks, he came upon a small group of islands just inside the inlet's entrance. Wei Hsu started to cry.

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Wei Hsu had stumbled upon Pender Harbour.

(Continued next month.)



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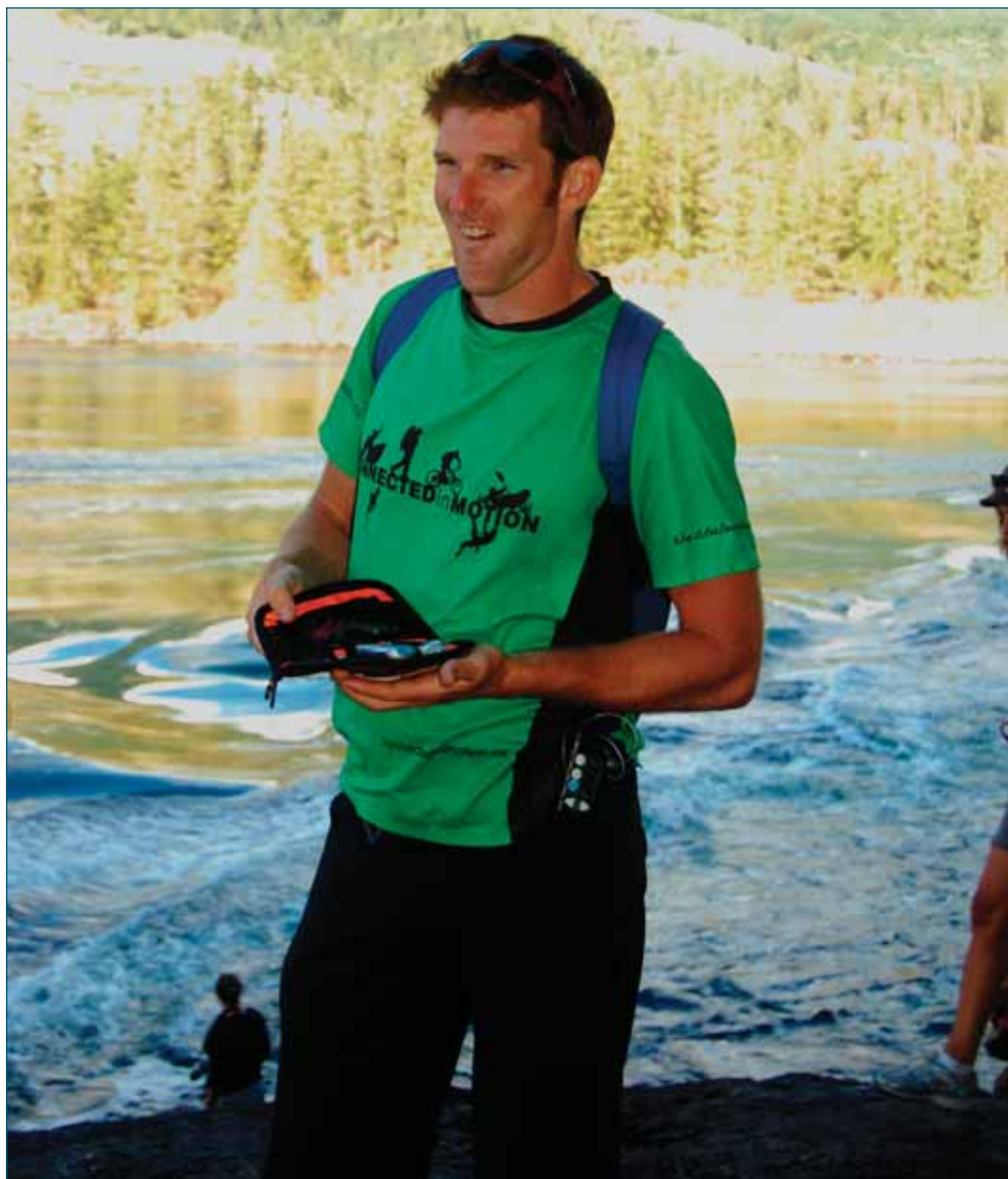
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Carole Rubin

Pender Harbour Jazz Festival

A Harbour Seal of Approval to **Andy Curtiss and crew** for doing just an awesome job of the new trail. Nice work boys!

Steve Willgoose



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Introduction to Forest Mushrooms Workshop
Saturday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Learn about edible mushroom varieties through a morning (indoor) presentation and a guided afternoon field trip.

Admission: \$30 (\$15 for members). Pre-registration is required.

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Wendy Phillips family photo collection

This photo was likely taken between 1910 and 1920 in Pender Harbour (l-r): Charlie Higgins, Martin Warnock, George Vaughn (of Egmont, seated), William Rouse

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ORGANIZATIONS

P. H. WOMEN'S CONNECTION

On Oct. 12, explorer, journalist and filmmaker Di-anne Whelan will inspire us with insight into her writing, filmmaking and adventures. At the Oct. 26 gathering, Michael Ross presents "Is Pender Harbour and District Health Centre meeting your need?" with an overview and open forum for input. Both gatherings are at the School of Music in Madeira Park from 10 a.m. until noon.

P. H. LIONS CLUB

The local Lions chapter is looking for new members to join us and bring new community fundraising ideas to the table. We are in the process of updating the Lions Park hall and grounds and have some great projects in mind. Our meetings are the first and third Tuesday of every month at the Lions Hall. Call 883-3693.

COAST CULTURAL ALLIANCE

The Coast Cultural Alliance (CCA) is pleased to announce the first Sunshine Coast Art Crawl on the weekend of Oct. 23-24 for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Art Crawl showcases galleries and art studios along the entire Sunshine Coast Highway from Langdale to Lund. Meet at the community hubs located in Gibsons, Roberts Creek, Sechelt, Madeira Park and Powell River to experience local entertainment and to tackle the trivia challenge for a chance to win great prizes. More details on the event are available at sunshinecoastartcrawl.com.

P. H. LIBRARY

Check out our website for the latest books in the library: penderharbourlibrary.com. Members can borrow from our wide selection of fiction, mystery, sci-fi and non-fiction books, make a request from the Sechelt library for delivery or order a book on inter-library loan. If you are interested in volunteering at the library, please phone Lori at (604) 740-1151.

P. H. AND DISTRICT WILDLIFE SOCIETY

Join us on Oct. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the P. H. High School and enjoy a stunning presentation on invertebrates, seaweeds and fishes of the Pacific Northwest presented by the authors of *Marine Life of the Pacific Northwest: A Photographic Encyclopedia*. Bernard Handby and Andy Lamb will present a slide show and talk from Bernard's award winning underwater photography collection. Refreshments served and all are welcome at no charge.



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Sunshine Coast Mushroom Festival: Oct. 16 and 17

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Organized by the Sunshine Coast Society for the Hunting, Recognition and Observation of Mushrooms (SHROOM), the second annual Sunshine Coast Mushroom festival will take place Oct. 16 and 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pender Harbour Community Hall.

Saturday's events will feature an identification table, cooking demonstrations by local chefs and vendors will be on hand to sell local food products and books about mushrooms and related topics.

Presentations throughout the day will include "Edible mushrooms and their not-so-edible lookalikes" by Daniel Winkler (renowned mycologist and environmental consultant), "Mushroom oddities and other adventures" by Brian Lee (not the Harbour Spiel guy), and "Medicinal mushrooms for health enhancement" by Oryane Belair.

Take in mushroom specialties at several area restaurants before returning to the community hall at 7 p.m. for the evening presentation (also by Daniel Winkler): "Flavourful, Fancy and Foul Fungi from Far Flung Places around the World."

If you'd like to learn from an expert, Winkler will also lead a limited-registration foray on the following day Sunday, Oct. 17.

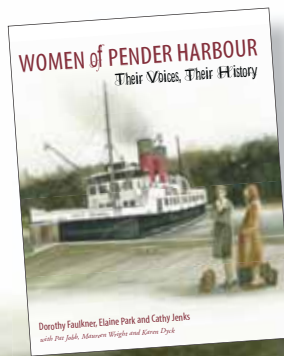
Festival admission is \$3, the evening presentation by Daniel Winkler costs \$15 and the Sunday foray with Daniel Winkler costs \$40.

SHROOM members receive discounted pricing.

To register for the presentation or the foray or to join the Sunshine Coast SHROOM contact info@scshroom.org or phone (604) 741-9866.



Dr. John Field (top right) and helpers collected close to 100 different species of mushrooms prior to last year's mushroom festival. Some were edible, some were not but the variety displayed surprised many of the 550 who attended.



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Workers of the world: Retreat!



By Shane McCune

Stop me if you've heard this one:
"Unions did a lot of good in their day
but there's no need for them now."

As in, it's nice to have a five-day
work week, paid holidays, maternity ben-
efits, pensions, compo and such, but now
that everything's hunky-dory . . . who
needs ya?

That chestnut came to mind recently when charges
were laid against the owners of a Langley mushroom farm
where poisonous fumes killed three men and seriously
injured two others.

The dead men — fathers to 13 children — were
overcome by gas in a small pump house suspended over a
pit of wastewater from a composting operation. There was
little or no ventilation and no warning sign.

It took fully two years to file charges. Not criminal
negligence charges, mind you, just breaches of provincial
workplace safety rules.

It also took two years to wrap up a coroner's inquest
into the 2007 crash of an overcrowded van in Abbots-
ford that killed three farm workers and injured 14. There
were no criminal charges laid in that case, either. A fine of
\$68,000 was assessed, but the farm owners shut down their
company without paying it.

Agriculture long ago passed the forest industry as a
source of workplace illness and injury. Yet one of the first
things the Liberals did on taking office in 2001 was to can-
cel a program that routinely inspected vehicles transporting
farm workers.

Those workers are usually immigrants (Vietnamese
and Indo-Canadian in the two cases above). Many speak
little English; they don't know their rights or are afraid to
exercise them. Quite a few, especially fruit pickers, are

paid on a piecework rate that works out to less than the \$8
minimum wage — already the lowest in Canada.

Could all this have anything to do with the fact that
only five per cent of agricultural workers in BC are union-
ized?

Certainly farm owners and their friends in govern-
ment have done their best to make sure it stays that way,
which is what one would expect. More difficult to fathom
is the animosity toward unions among many who could
benefit from them.

It's a truism that for the past couple of decades the
gap between the rich and poor has widened. Corporate
managers and shareholders have pocketed a greater share
of profits in the form of dividends and truly obscene
executive compensation while rolling back employees'
wages and benefits.

Yet working stiff's at the bottom of the food chain
badmouth unions. Attempts to organize Wal-Mart have
been largely unsuccessful, and it's not all due to company
intimidation tactics. Even union members in the private
sector complain about gains by their public sector counter-
parts.

It's like an epidemic of Stockholm Syndrome, where
hostages develop a bond with their captors.

Or maybe it's the old Canadian lobster effect. You
know the story: a guy has a bucket teeming with lobsters,
with no lid. "It's OK, they're Canadian," he says. "If one
starts to escape the others will pull him back down."

It seems we'd rather carp about somebody making
five or 10 grand more a year (that should properly be ours,
of course) than question the propriety of execs who pocket
millions in salary and stock options even as they're laying
off workers and/or begging for public bailouts.

There are greedy and stupid unionists, of course, and
the Fed hasn't always lived up to its motto, a quote from
CCF founder J.S. Woodsworth: "What we desire for our-

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selves we wish for all.”

Nor have Canadian unions shown the gumption or savvy of some of their European counterparts.

But the mass media have also skewed the public's view of unions. Part of that is laziness: It's easier to show strikers outside a workplace (forgoing their regular pay, remember) than to pin down the managers inside (still collecting theirs).

Part is deliberate neglect: A generation ago every big-city daily had a full-time labour reporter; I don't know of one left in Canada.

And there's been a lot of misinformation about unionization leading to lower productivity and higher unemployment than in the U.S.

But United Steelworkers economist Erin Weir noted recently that about 30 per cent of Canadian workers are union members, compared to fewer than 20 per cent in the U.S.

“Canada's significantly higher unionization rate would imply significantly higher unemployment in Canada than in the U.S.,” Weir wrote. “In fact, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics calculates a lower unemployment rate for Canada than for the U.S.”

In the early 1980s unionization peaked in Canada at

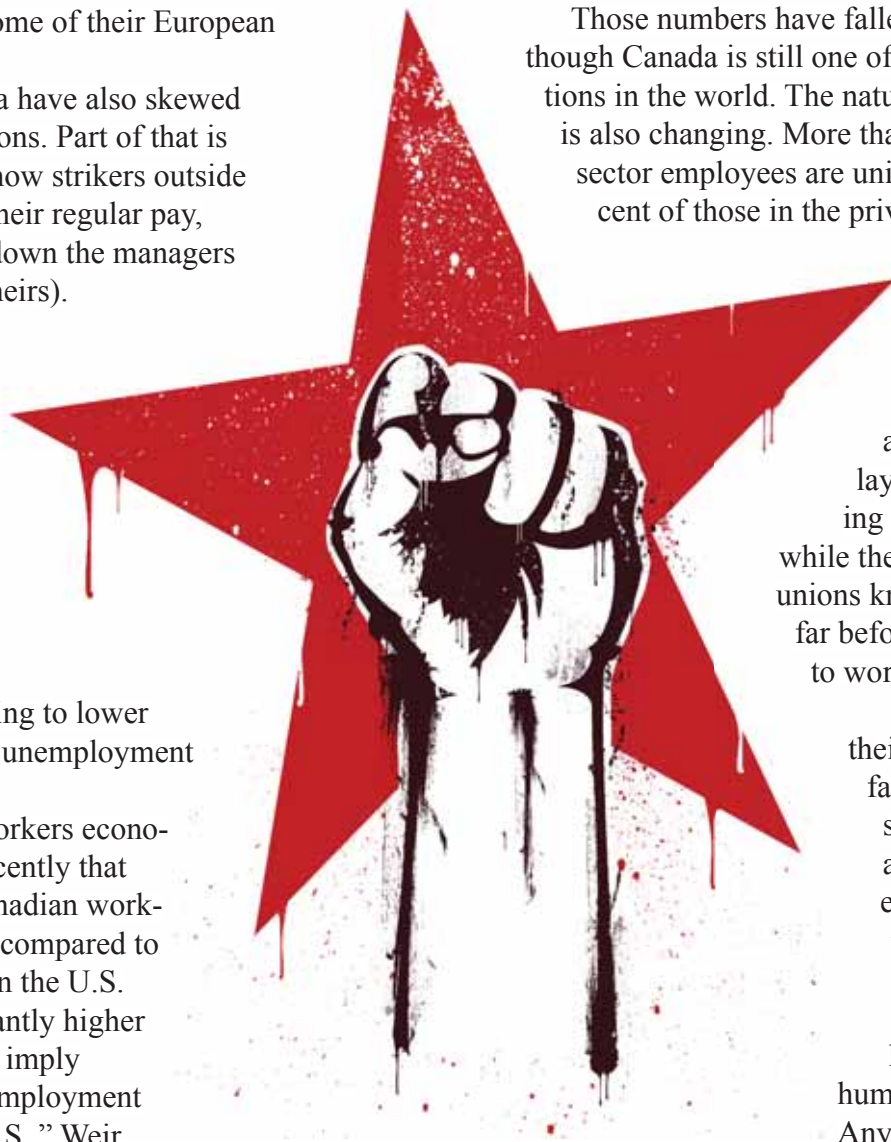
about 40 per cent of the workforce and close to 50 per cent in BC and Newfoundland.

Those numbers have fallen steadily since then, though Canada is still one of the most unionized nations in the world. The nature of the labour movement is also changing. More than 70 per cent of public sector employees are unionized, but only 16 per cent of those in the private sector.

You haven't noticed many strikes lately, have you? That's because private sector unions have been accepting pay cuts and layoffs in the hope of keeping employers from relocating, while the burgeoning public sector unions know they can push only so far before they are legislated back to work.

I hope they get some of their mojo back. Because as far as I can tell unions are still our last, best defence against a “globalized” economy where corporations use the threat of outsourcing or relocation to sidestep environmental laws, workplace safety and human rights.

Anyone who thinks the bosses and shareholders will do what's right without some union muscle shoving them should probably join the International Brotherhood of Pixies and Elves.



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BOOKS

Steven Heighton's *Every Lost Country*



Keith Shaw photo

By Theresa Kishkan

In 2006, an incident occurred on the Tibet-Nepal border which briefly caught media attention.

Chinese border guards shot at a group of Tibetan "splitists" – refugees trying to enter Nepal illegally. A young nun was killed and another man reportedly died in Chinese custody. A mountaineering expedition was gathered near the border and the cameraman attached to this group managed to film the skirmish and post it on the Internet.

This event became the inspiration for Steven Heighton's most recent novel, *Every Lost Country* (Knopf Canada, 2010).

Heighton is a gifted writer in several genres; his previous novels and collections of poetry have been nominated for prestigious prizes in Canada, the US and overseas. His last novel, *Afterlands*, was optioned for film and I wouldn't be surprised to learn that *Every Lost Country* garners similar interest.

Beautifully written and cinematic in scope, the novel follows several characters who are connected to a mountaineering team. Lew Book is a physician driven to engage in humanitarian work in areas ravaged by floods, famines and wars. His teenage daughter Sophie accompanies him, not entirely willingly but because she is in trouble in Toronto; Lew believes the trip will help her to redeem herself. Amaris McRae is a documentary film-maker recording the climb. The

expedition's leader, Wade Lawson, has fallen from grace in the climbing community and believes that by being the first to ascend Mount Kyatruck, he can restore his reputation.

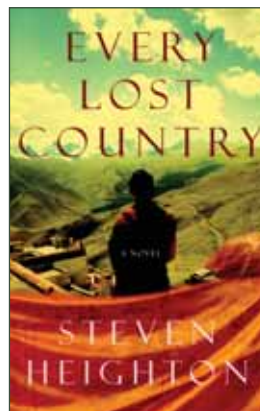
When a small band of "splitists" appears near the border where the team is camped, chased by border guards who open fire on them, Lew does what he does best: he rushes to save lives. Amaris follows, with her camera. They are arrested and taken to prison. What unfolds is both expected and unanticipated. Heighton has such a fine sense of drama and timing that the reader is constantly unsettled from predictable assumptions about morality and violence, love and loyalty.

Young climbers who have paid large amounts of money to be on the expedition,

the Sherpas who pack their gear, Tibetan nuns and monks, hard-nosed border guards, some Tibetan gangsta-wannabes wearing hoodies and baggy jeans, even an endearing yak named Zapa: sub-plots and small stories are woven together so skilfully at a pace that is so breathlessly relentless that I couldn't put this novel down until I'd finished it.

The lost country of the title is of course Tibet. Heighton's intelligent narrative guides us through the lost territories of family, the shifting geographies of personal and political allegiance, the terrible things people are willing to do to others, so that we are moved by Lew Book's musings about the eternal feeling of déjà vu:

"In the Congo he did simple arithmetic with spines. The human spinal column is a miracle of resilience. A mortar shell smashes a hut



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and the parents and grandparents and children are atomized, but the spinal columns remain and you tally them one by one to calculate the losses. As if loss could ever be calculated, re-deemed as data."

Consider the lowly snail. Mostly who bothers? They irritate us when we find them in the heart of a Savoy cabbage or clinging to the delicate sprouts of new kale. Occasionally we might pause on a hike to watch the slow progress of a whorled shell across a path; we may comment on the beautiful markings of that shell but recoil at the slime the tiny animal leaves on our hands if we pick them up to remove them from our beloved gardens.

During her very long recovery from a mysterious debilitating illness, Elisabeth Tova Bailey receives a small snail to keep in a pot of wood violets on her bedside table. She becomes attached to the mollusc, learning a great deal about patience and tenacity, and the result is a wonderful little book, *The Sound of A Wild Snail Eating* (Algonquin Books, 2010).

Early in the book, in her contemplation of what turns out to be *Neohelix albolabris*, Bailey hears the snail

eating.

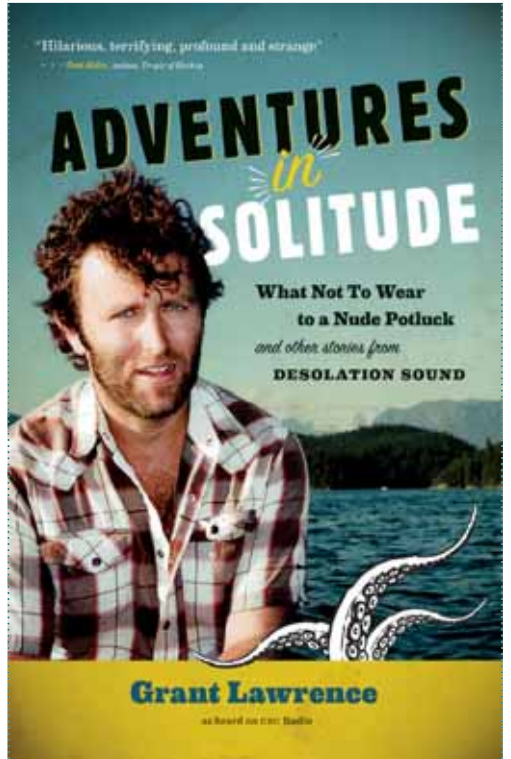
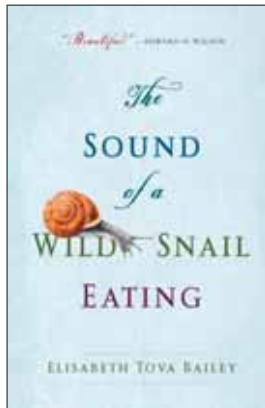
"A petal started to disappear at a barely discernable rate. I listened carefully. I could hear it eating. The sound was of someone very small munching celery continuously. I watched, transfixed, as over the course of an hour the snail meticulously ate an entire purple petal for dinner."

From watching, and listening, absorbed by the snail's purposeful life, the author turns to learning.

Its munching sound makes her wonder about its teeth. Then other aspects of its biology. With help from her caregiver, she creates a terrarium for the animal. Fresh native plants and materials from the nearby woods, with a mussel shell for water, provide a perfect environment. Eventually the snail lays eggs and that prompts Bailey to discover the hows

and whys of snail procreation, a fascinating subject. (Mostly they're hermaphrodites, becoming the other for their mate, but when required, by isolation, they can be self-fertilizing.)

The book is full of lyrical writing, perfect sentences and insights, and passages from the work of biologists and philosophers, all of which proves that the snail is more than worthy of our consideration.



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OCTOBER

- Sat. Oct. 2.....P. H. Fall Faire - Madeira Park, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Sat. Oct. 2.....Egmont Community Hall Open House - Egmont Community Hall, Noon - 4 p.m.
- Sun. Oct 3.....P. H. Legion Sunday Brunch (11 a.m.) and Mini Meat Draw (1 p.m.) - P. H. Legion
- Mon. Oct. 4.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, Noon
- Fri. Oct. 8-10.....ArtWave - various local galleries, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sun. Oct 10.....P. H. Legion Sunday Brunch (11 a.m.) and Mini Meat Draw (1 p.m.) - P. H. Legion
- Tues. Oct. 12.....P. H. Women's Connection presentation by Dianne Whelan - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
- Sat. Oct. 16.....Sunshine Coast Mushroom Festival - P. H. Community Hall, 11a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Sun. Oct 17.....P. H. Legion Sunday Brunch (11 a.m.) and Mini Meat Draw (1 p.m.) - P. H. Legion
- Sun. Oct. 17.....Breast cancer candle "lifelighting" ceremony - P. H. Community Church, 6:30 p.m.
- Tues. Oct. 19.....P. H. & District Wildlife Society presents Bernard Hanby and Andy Lamb - PHSS, 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs. Oct. 21.....P. H. and Egmont Chamber of Commerce AGM - Royal Canadian Legion, Madeira Park, 7 p.m.
- Sat. Oct. 23 & 24.....Coast Cultural Alliance presents its Art Crawl - various Sunshine Coast Galleries, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sat. Oct. 23.....Bluewaters Books presents author PJ Reece - Bluewaters Books
- Sat. Oct. 23.....Pender Harbour Legion Ladies Night - P. H. Legion, 6 p.m.
- Sun. Oct. 24.....Bluewaters Books presents author Elizabeth Blakely - Bluewaters Books
- Sun. Oct 24.....P. H. Legion Sunday Brunch (11 a.m.) and Mini Meat Draw (1 p.m.) - P. H. Legion
- Sun. Oct. 24.....P. H. Music Society presents Suzie LeBlanc and Robert Kortgaard - P. H. School of Music, 3 p.m.
- Mon. Oct. 25.....P. H. Food Bank pickup - P. H. Community Church, Noon
- Tues. Oct. 26.....P. H. Women's Connection presentation by Michael Ross - P. H. School of Music, 10 a.m.
- Fri. Oct. 29.....Steve Kozak & the West Coast All-Stars - Garden Bay Pub, 9 p.m.
- Sat. Oct. 30.....Introduction to Forest Mushrooms Workshop - Iris Griffith Centre, 10 a.m.
- Sat. Oct. 30.....2nd Annual Halloween Blues Bash - P. H. Community Hall, 8 p.m.
- Sun. Oct 31.....P. H. Legion Sunday Brunch (11 a.m.) and Mini Meat Draw (1 p.m.) - P. H. Legion
- Sun. Oct. 31.....PHVFD annual Halloween Fireworks display - Millennium Park, 7:30 p.m.

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*Effective Sept. 7, 2010 to Oct. 11, 2010**

Langdale	Horseshoe Bay
6:20 a.m.	7:20 a.m.
8:25 a.m.	9:25 a.m.
10:25 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
12:35 p.m.	1:35 p.m.
2:45 p.m.	3:50 p.m.
4:50 p.m.	5:50 p.m.
6:50 p.m.	7:50 p.m.
8:45 p.m.	8:35 p.m.
9:40 p.m.	9:45 p.m.

*New schedule begins Oct. 12

*Effective Sept. 7, 2010 to March 31, 2010**

Earl's Cove	Saltery Bay
♦ 6:30 a.m.	♦ 5:35 a.m.
8:25 a.m.	7:25 a.m.
10:25 p.m.	9:25 a.m.
12:20 p.m.	11:20 a.m.
4:25 p.m.	3:20 a.m.
6:25 p.m.	5:25 p.m.
8:20 p.m.	7:20 p.m.
10:05 p.m.	9:15 p.m.

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*There is an alternate schedule for the Earls Cove ferry on the following dates: Oct. 8, 11, Dec. 24, 27 & 28.



Deep Thoughts . . .

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2ND ANNUAL PENDER HARBOUR

Halloween Blues Bash

Steve Kozak
& THE WEST COAST ALL STARS
\$20 MEMBERS
\$25 NON-MEMBERS

Pender Harbour
Community Hall
SATURDAY OCTOBER 30
DOORS AT 8 PM

\$500
IN CASH PRIZES

Dancing - Auction - Prizes

TICKETS - GARDEN BAY PUB & VILLAGE VINTNER (PENDER HARBOUR)
WINDSONG GALLERY (SECHLT), GAIA FAIR TRADE (GIBSONS)

Info: penderharbourbluesfestival.com or 604-865-0640

Oak Tree Market

883~2411



Now stocking:
LADY BUG
organic BC apple juice

Triple B's Burgers
883-9655

Harbour Pizza
883-2543

Pender Harbour Legion Branch #112 presents

LADIES NIGHT

October 23, 2010

Doors: 6:30 p.m. ~ Dinner: 7:30 p.m.



Entertainment by Bear Music & Jim Taylor

Tickets are \$50 each (available at the bar) and include dinner, an entry for a diamond ring raffle and a \$1,000 Calcutta draw.

Live Music Sundays @ 2 pm

- OCT. 3:** Larrie Cook & the Bluesmasters
- OCT. 10:** Mike Evans & the Burning Sensations
- OCT. 17:** Gaetan and the French Connection
- OCT. 24:** Surprise guest
- OCT. 31:** Peter vanDeursen & Steve Kozak

Pub Specials

- FRIDAY:** Meat Draws - Proceeds to P.H. Blues Society
- SATURDAY:** Prime Rib
- SUNDAY:** Eggs Benny

Don't forget to mark your calendar:
9th annual Rotary Art Auction ~ Nov. 6



FRIDAY, OCT. 29:
Steve Kozak
& the West Coast All-Stars



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