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Phoenix Riting! Hornby Happenings

By Phoenix Bee

Hey Hornby, it's summer! It's also kinda cool and damp, and that is a wonderful thing. Every morning I turn the heat on indoors, I celebrate. When it rains, I whoo hoo! It makes me so happy after the dry heat of the past few summers, and the gardens love it. It would be great to get through a whole summer without a fire ban, as we did back in 2018. By this time last year, fires were already verboten. Now, the island is damp, lush and sweet, and that's glorious.

Life is full here--there are so many happenings it can be overwhelming! When it's not overwhelming, it's still quite whelming. The further we get into summer, the more I am whelmed. This weekend is our Pride parade, and I will have to miss it, as I am leaving the island for a few days. This time of year, there simply isn't a convenient time to leave without missing something fun, important or amazing. The lesson is this: you can't do all the things. At least, I can't. Some people seem to be everywhere, in every photo of every event. Who are these supernatural beings?

A couple of recent highlights: Phil Harrison's work at the Hall last weekend, organized by his daughter Emily Harrison, was an journey into primary colours, form and movement. Some of the paintings were so big you could walk into them. Some were small, precise drawings made with a pen with a tip so fine it was stunning. There were intricately crafted wooden ships with working engines, and much more. It was a beautiful tribute to a lovely and talented human who sadly left us in 2022. It was also the first art opening of the season. Art openings are my favourite thing about summer (among other favourite things, too many to list).

Speaking of beautiful tributes, filmmaker Hollie McGowan premiered her documentary about Tempest Grace Gale, "Calling All People," at the Hall a few weeks ago. It was unspeakably moving and so well crafted. I was one of those interviewed for the film, and when you are interviewed, you tend to talk and talk. I tend to talk without thinking and some of what I said was bound to be inappropriate. There was none of that; the editing was sensitively done, I was happy with what she left in. Also, I had a perfect suntan. Nice. The other interviews were all well crafted and presented. We all showed up as a wise, caring and generally awesome bunch. I am proud to have been included; my big screen debut!

The spirit of Tempest, her passion for life, her irrepressible effervescence, her inspiring effect on the world around her, came through without distortion, her story framed and presented so well, it was like she was in the room with us, and she was pleased it was so well done. This project has been a long time coming and we are all proud of what Holly has accomplished. The film has been showed in a few festivals with hopefully more to come. If there is any justice in this world, it will be seen and

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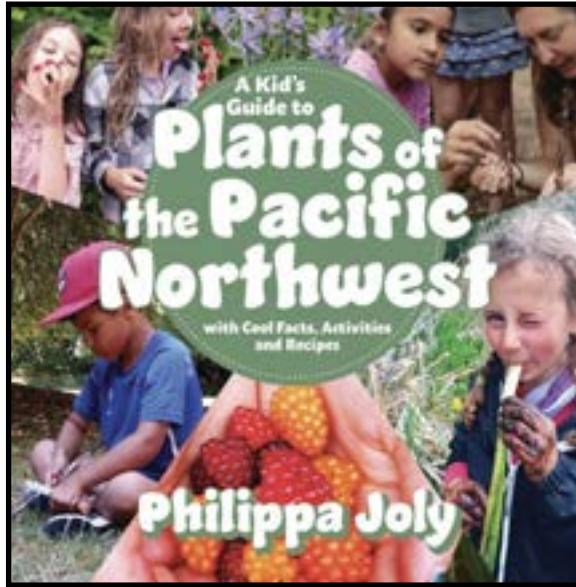
A Kid's Guide to Plants of the Pacific Northwest **by Philippa Joly: A Finalist for the 2023 SWCC Book Awards!**

Philippa Joly has been declared a finalist for the Child and Youth category of the Science Writers and Communicators of Canada 2023 Book Awards for kid's nonfiction book, *A Kid's Guide to Plants of the Pacific Northwest*. The SWCC has been recognizing and honouring outstanding contributions to science writing for over 20 years. The winners will be an-

nounced on the SWCC website during Science Literacy Week in September 2024. Harbour Publishing's Amanda Swinimer was also recognized on the longlist for her book, *The Science and Superpowers of Seaweed: A Guide for Kids*.

A Kid's Guide to Plants of the Pacific Northwest is a middle-grade-friendly introduction to Pacific Northwest flora, with outdoor activities, games and quizzes that make learning about nature fun. With the increasing intrusion of technology into daily life, and the challenges of climate chaos, it has never been more essential for parents and educators to encourage kids to engage with the natural environment. The book contains plants from the forest to urban areas where parks, empty lots and backyards can offer the opportunity to learn from and connect to nature, increasing children's self-confidence, independence, attention span and physical well-being, while fostering care for the environment. The book was awarded the Silver Medal in the Moonbeam Children's Book Awards (2023), and longlisted for the AAAS/Subaru SB&F Prize for Excellence in Science Books (2024).

Philippa Joly is a clinical and community herbalist, paramedic and outdoor educator. She runs an outdoor school for kids and leads workshops on herbal medicine, plant identification, ethical wildcrafting, herbal first aid, local healing plants and anticolonial approaches to wellness. She lives on Denman Island, BC with her plant-savvy daughter, Breah and their grey cat. 🍷



TIDE TABLE

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18:14	2.6	8.4
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23:20	3.8	12.4
2024-07-04 (Thu)		
Time	PDT (m)	(ft)
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11:30	0.3	0.9
19:16	4.9	15.9

Spontaneous Combustion to play the Back Hall

By Roger Baird Spontaneous Combustion is a trio composed of Wally Petersen, bass, Tony Morrison, sax/flute and Roger

Baird, drums. Wally and Roger are familiar faces from a few years back at Jazz Nights at the D.I. Guesthouse and Tony is a familiar face to many in the Comox Valley having played in many and varied groups. Spontaneous Combustion will appear at the Back Hall on Saturday, July 6th playing some jazz standards, originals and more. The theme is Concert for a Brighter Tomorrow/Peace, Love and Fellowship.

Doors open at 7 p.m. and the music begins at 7:30. Advance tickets, \$15, are available at Abraxas Books and the D.I General Store. At the door: \$20. 🍷



Spontaneous Combustion

...continued from P.3 lauded by many. This story needed to be told, and she took up the torch and said it very well. Wonderful. Tears were shed.

Hornby has changed greatly since Tempest first stilt-walked and declaimed her poems at the market, and so have we. Many more changes are coming to this island, not all of them wonderful. The Co-op's rebuild, for example, will lack a downstairs and the hardware selection will be drastically reduced. How can we live without the downstairs hardware store? Noo! I protest! Alas, I shall adapt. I suppose over time I'll come around. Maybe it will be an improvement in the end. I sincerely hope the building will not look like a soulless box. Please make it Hornby.



The changes being made, and planned, to Big Tribune Provincial Park are way less acceptable. The raised-highway effect of the gravel pathways are a shock to the system, though they do make the park more accessible for wheelchair users. But heaven forbid they go through with this current plan of trucking in hundreds of truckloads of gravel crush to create 40 campsites in an environmentally sensitive wetland. These are described as 'walk in sites' and were supposed to be low impact. The plan we are being presented now with is far from low impact. It will include a new parking lot as well as 40 campsites with raised raised-gravel beds. This is certain to be devastating to the forest ecology.

I don't remember any public consultation about this, do you? Shame on you, BC Parks. There is a letter writing campaign underway, you can find more information about that in the current First Edition, in Hornby Community Connections and other places as well.

I've got my Farm pass for the Festival this year, and I'm looking forward to that in the first week of August, always a fabulous time with great music. And there is so much more, I can't possibly mention all the things in a single column! I'll check back into these pages now and then, with thanks to the Grapevine for welcoming my intermittent presence.

As for me, my CD arrives this Friday (finally!) so I will have them in hand and available if anyone wants one. Honestly, I have no idea what my next steps will be. I made the thing, and now I need to figure out how to get a grant to make another one. I very much want to keep recording, it's about the most satisfying thing I can imagine. I would love to perform as well, but I haven't done anything about organizing that. I am way toowhelmed. I regretfully turned down their kind offer to play again at Hornby Heart Vineyard this summer; it wasn't the right venue for my sort of thing. I would prefer something intimate, like my living room. Or yours. Who knows? I'm open to possibilities and opportunities but not pushing it. Music is for fun and happy-making, not stress.

I'm writing on my Substack, and having a great time with that, at <https://phoenixbee.substack.com/>. You can subscribe for free and columns will be sent to your email address, no effort required. You can, if you choose, pay to subscribe, like a couple folks have (thank you!), but you don't have to. Substack is an eclectic and talented community of writers, artists, podcasters and all sorts. I have a friend in Hungary who regularly posts videos of his art there. I spend more time there than on Facebook these days.

If you would like to hear my album without having to buy a CD, or if you don't have a player (most people don't, these days, including me), you can find it at <https://phoenixbee.bandcamp.com/> or on Apple, Spotify and YouTube, just look up "Phoenix Bee Late Bloomer."

That's what I think. What do you think? email me at phoenixonhornby@gmail.com.



Green Wizardries: Bare Survival?

By Maxine Rogers

OPINIONS

Now, a couple of old girlfriends have said to me very pointedly that they love my gardening columns but don't like it when I write about politics. As these friends are older than me, I have no choice but to abide by their wishes. That said, I expect they haven't read my column in about a year as I have given up writing about politics for at least that long.

It is not that I think things are fine. Far from it! I think the time to warn people to take constructive action to protect themselves from the ravages we will be experiencing has passed. The American Empire is tottering around like an old, sick, drunken, circus bear and all their enemies are sharpening knives to cut pieces off the poor creature. In fact, the USA today reminds me of Turkey, the Sick Man of Europe before the First World War.

By the end of that war, Turkey lay stripped of its huge Empire and they were broke. The Gods sent the Turks a hero, in the form of Kemal Atatürk, to pull them together but they still had a very tough time of it. When Atatürk needed to defend Turkey from Allied invasion, he said to his soldiers, "I do not ask you to fight. I ask you to die." And they did. They died in droves for Turkey and for Atatürk. They fought like lions and never gave an inch. If the Americans are very lucky, they too will have a hero to pull them together but that is a story for the future.

I expect an interesting and increasingly difficult thirty years ahead for Canada and Canadians, tied, as we are, to the shirt tails of the American Imperium. The years after that may well be even more challenging; however, I will not be around to suffer through them so I don't much concern myself with the really long view.

No, what concerns me these days is the strawberry harvest which is very good this year. I feel like a penitent Catholic as I spent much of this evening, shuffling around on my knees, not to show humility to the Gods which is where this practise comes from; it is an Ancient Roman custom absorbed by the new Christian faith that sprang up in the ruins of their Empire. No, we have many beds of strawberries in the orchard and they must be approached with deference and humility on one's knees because that is where the berries are.

We slide the stainless-steel mixing bowls along the ground and lean over the beds, picking only the ripest berries until the huge bowls are full. The berries are an old-fashioned June bearing variety we have propagated for years. The berries are soft when fully ripe and so juicy. Their flavour would make an atheist believe in the divine. Then comes the slow task of cutting the green tops off and arranging the berries on cookie sheets to be placed in the freezer. The next day, we scoop the frozen berries in ziplock bags and place them, reverently, in the freezers.



We also do this later in the summer with Marion berries, a type of blackberry from Marion County in Oregon. These blackberries are earlier than the wild-growing Himalayan blackberries which are also very good. The Marions are a six way cross of assorted blackberries and one of their ancestors was a raspberry so their flavour is brighter and more intense than any other blackberry that I have tried. Later still, we harvest a large portion of the grapes and treat them the same way. A fruit salad of assorted berries and grapes in the winter really is a spectacular treat.

An even more decadent treat is to make fruit ice cream. We do this by putting coconut cream (you can use any sort of milk you like or even fruit juice to make a fruit sorbet) into the blender and then dropping frozen berries in one by one until the ice cream is as stiff as we want it. I have never known this ice

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...continued from P.5 cream to fail to please!

Over the course of a year, we usually buy a couple of small boxes of mandarin oranges for the Winter Solstice and one or two hands of organic bananas. Producing our own fruit saves us more than money. It saves us exposure to dangerous agricultural chemicals. It also saves us from burning oil by the barrel in order to eat fruit from foreign parts.

A new crop that I am experimenting with this year is the walking onion. This is an odd looking perennial onion that grows very long leaves with little onion bulbils growing at the top of the stock. They are certainly easy to cultivate and if you want more, you just let the onion stalk fall down and the bulbils will root, creating an additional clump of scallions. 🌱

SPECIAL INTEREST

Sleeping Beauty Pancakes

By Sally Campbell

These are a real crowd-pleaser and something you can make with little people. It's a great way to introduce them to baking. Little kids love to help and we all know that they learn best how

food actually gets made by doing it themselves. They learn what's involved for food preparers, and how we make food with love and attention and have fun in the process. In our demanding, over-the-top busy world, young children may not all have this more direct experience. So if you have some wee visitors this summer, and they're not seasoned bakers, go for it! Because they may want to all get in there at once, this is a pretty easy one to break down into separate tasks.

I love this recipe (from the Victoria restaurant Nourish) because it is utterly simple. Here's it is: Soak 1 C organic rolled oats in 2 C buttermilk overnight in fridge. (That's the sleeping part.)

The next morning, start with hand-washing and the setting up of stools so everyone can reach the counter.

Grease large baking dish. I use a 23 x 33 cm. dish. (Perfect task for the littlest one)

Break 2 eggs into a bowl and stir until blended. (We keep the eggs separate from other ingredients, so shells can more easily be fished out until egg-breaking competency is reached.) Melt 1/3-1/2 C butter

Mix together 1 C organic flour (I use whole wheat or red fife) with:

1 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. salt (Little ones love the mixing & measuring, and learn really quickly how to be accurate.)

Mix all the ingredients together in some fashion in a large bowl, and gently stir, only until everything is smoothly combined.

Roll it all into the greased dish with a spatula, smooth it out, and bake in a 350 oven for 30-40 minutes. Cool for a bit, then serve in squares. Double the recipe for a group larger than 5. You can also cook the batter on a skillet, traditional "pancake-style", your choice.

Serve with syrup, strawberries, blueberries, any fresh fruit at all, yoghurt and love! 🌱




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Hell, Maybe ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

By Caitlin Johnstone

June 26th, 2024

The thing that stands out for me the most when watching the deeply moving footage of Julian Assange arriving

home to Australia is how impossible this all felt until it happened.

If you've been following this case for a while, you know what I'm talking about. This was the moment you'd dream of in your quiet, private moments, but could never fully allow yourself to believe would actually happen. It was very easy to imagine Assange dying in a prison cell, either in the near future at Belmarsh or further along the timeline in some US hellhole. It was possible to imagine him getting out many years from now, his children fully grown and half his life stolen away from him. It was even possible to imagine him getting out one day on some legal technicality or whatever and living out the rest of his life in a nation that has an oppositional relationship with Washington like Edward Snowden, maybe. But coming home, to Australia?? No chance. And yet there he is. It happened.

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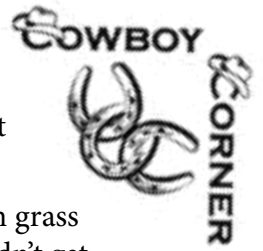


Cowboy Corner:

Daisy

By Conrad Campbell

I have a lot of really fond memories from growing upon the old farm, but one night in particular stands out in my mind more than any other. A night that I learned a valuable lesson that would take me in my journey of life from a boy to a young man.



Daisy had always been my favorite cow. When she was little I would feed her handfuls of green grass through the fence and I'd always make sure she had an extra bale of straw at night so she wouldn't get cold. A morning after a chilly rain would find me at Daisy's side, drying her off and giving her a good combing.

In the spring of 1976, Daisy had grown to be a fine young girl. I would put a harness on her and take her for walks up the lane and back. She was always well behaved and happy. But one day before our walk, Daisy began to act strangely. She didn't want to go out and was sweating a lot. I got pretty scared and took her back to the barn and led her into the big stable. She slumped down on her side right away, and seemed frightened and confused. I remember staying with her for hours, patting her soft head and letting her know everything would be okay. Suddenly I felt a hand on my shoulder. It was Dad. "There's nothing wrong with Daisy", he said. "You see, she's a big girl now and she's going to have a calf of her own. I know you want to help, but it's best you come inside and let nature take its course. She'll be fine son, trust me". And with that I reluctantly went into the house with Dad.

Mum was at the stove stirring a large pot and said, "Oh, you must be starving! Sit down, I just made a nice stew".

"No thanks Mum," I replied, "I'm worried about Daisy. I think I'll go up to bed. Thanks anyway".

I lay in my room for what seemed like hours before I drifted off to sleep. Suddenly, I was awakened by a loud clamour from the barn. I could hear loud cries and moans from the stable. I raced down the stairs in my pajamas and threw on some old boots and sped off as fast as my feet could carry me. As I neared the barn the sounds grew louder, and, as I threw open the big door, I couldn't believe my eyes! There on the stable floor, right in front of me, was my drunken Uncle Mike having sex with the lady who drove the school bus when the regular bus driver couldn't do it.

The very next day I bought a guitar and a silk shirt with super fancy embroidered butterflies on it and headed out on my journey to become a booze runnin' motor gunnin' law breakin' love makin' rebel.



The End 🍷

...continued from P.7 It's easy to get so lost in all the emotion and controversy and discussion about the details of Assange's case and his plea bargain that you forget to appreciate the fact that an impossible thing just happened. That this was a historic event which very few of us believed was ever going to occur—until it did.

And I don't know about you but I personally find this all rather humbling. I never voiced my dark pessimism about the future of Assange's plight publicly because it's important to push hard for victory even when the odds appear stacked against you, but I honestly did not believe what just happened was going to happen. And I was completely wrong.

Which makes me wonder, what else have I been doing that with? What other battles that feel almost futile right now will one day make a fool of me by yielding an unex-

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...continued from P.8 pected victory?

Hell, maybe anything is possible. Maybe what just happened with Assange can happen with any of the other injustices and abuses we see in our world today. Maybe it can happen with Palestine. Or with the build-up to war with Russia and China. Or with the corruption, opacity and malfeasance of our own governments. Or with the empire itself. Or with capitalism entirely.

Maybe we really do win this thing. Maybe that's not a pipe dream after all. As with the Assange case it might not happen in the most grand and egoically satisfying way we'd want it to, but what does? This isn't a Hollywood movie, it's real life. Real life doesn't move the way Hollywood conditions us to expect it to. Real life produces anticlimactic victories and mundane miracles. And it moves in ways that the ego cannot anticipate.

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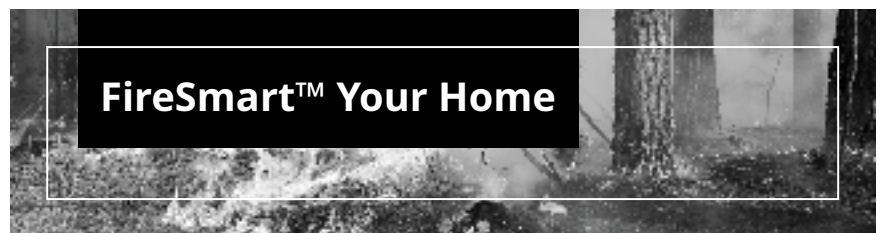
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It's comfortable to be jaded and pessimistic. You feel less vulnerable. You look cooler. You don't have to deal with the emotional work of disappointment. And admittedly, you are very often proven right. That is, until you're not.

And maybe that's not the most authentic way to come at this thing. Maybe it's better to throw ourselves into this fight not just believing we might win, but knowing that we will. Maybe all that pessimism and reservedness is holding us back from really swinging for the fences and leaving it all in the ring. And maybe it's based on completely false assumptions about what we're actually capable of anyway.

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Our Propagandized Society Is Like A Sick Man Who Doesn't Know He's Sick

By Caitlin Johnstone

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OPINIONS

I write a lot more about the problems our society faces than I do about solutions. I do this because we are so far from being able to implement real solutions that most people don't even really know the problems exist yet. I could spend my time talking about the need for a giant people's revolution to dismantle the US-centralized empire, end capitalism and replace the competition-based systems which are driving us to our doom with collaboration-based systems where all of humanity cooperates with each other and

with our ecosystem, but those solutions aren't going to emerge anytime soon because public consent for the status quo order is still being manufactured with a very high degree of success. At this point in history's unfolding I may as well say we should solve all our problems by inventing free energy and living in the sky like the Jetsons.

Right now our society is like a sick man who (A) doesn't know he's sick, (B) refuses to believe he is sick, (C) believes the medicine is poison, (D) has no health insurance and can't afford the medicine anyway, and (E) also has no means of transportation to get to the doctor. The very first step in that long list of obstacles to his health is to get him to understand that he is sick. That's why I spend so much energy showing evidence that the media are lying to us, that we are ruled by psychopaths, and that our status quo systems are driving us toward annihilation.

Westerners who spend their time posturing as brave revolutionaries online and talking about how ready they are to set up the guillotines and take up arms against the ruling class always remind me of LARPerS, because they're talking about something that has exactly zero chance of becoming a reality as things stand right now. They're role playing as revolutionary militants like other people role play as warriors and wizards in an imaginary fantasy realm. They've got no skin in the game; their play-acting has no weight and carries with it no real material risk. Many who talk tough in their fantasy land would run like rabbits the instant things got real. Before those postures have any meaning, you must first create the world in which they could become meaningful. This is done by awakening other westerners to the reality of the abusive mind-controlled dystopia we live in.

We're in a burning house, and the people inside don't believe it's on fire and think you're a crazy crackpot for saying it is. There are a whole lot of necessary solutions to that problem that are going to have to follow from that point like getting everyone outside, getting the fire extinguished, finding a place to stay, getting the house rebuilt, replacing all the stuff that you lost, and getting everyone's life back to normal. But the very first order of business is pointing to the flames and the smoke until people believe you. Everything else follows from there. Getting people to see the fire is the first step, and it's also the hardest. The biggest obstacle to our freedom is people's belief that they are already free. The biggest obstacle to a functional society is the widespread belief that we are already living in one. The empire's single strongest weapon is its ability to dissuade the masses from revolution by psychologically manipulating them away from the ability to see that revolution is necessary.

If we can get past that one primary obstacle, all the other obstacles will be relatively easy to overcome, in the same way a giant who realizes he's been enslaved by an insect would quickly overcome the obstacles to his freedom after his eyes have been opened to the reality of his situation. But we need to get those eyes open first.

We get the eyes open by spreading awareness, which is always the first step to solving any problem. No problem ever gets solved by people until people are aware that the problem exists. Next they must come to understand the problem, then they must think up solutions, then they must create the necessary conditions to make those solutions feasible, then they must put those solutions into action.

We spread awareness of the problems by using every means at our disposal to show people the truth. The truth about their nation, their government, their media, and their world. Helping some-



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one realize that everything they've been indoctrinated into believing about the world has been a lie is no small task—ask anyone who's ever escaped from a cult or helped someone who has. The vast majority of people in our society are deeply indoctrinated by imperial propaganda, and we can't start moving toward solutions until that changes.

But again, once that obstacle's dealt with the rest will be comparatively easy— and even that obstacle will get easier and easier to deal with as more people open their eyes, because the more people see this thing the more people there will be to help shake others awake. And the more people there are looking at the problems, the more human ingenuity will be dedicated to coming up with viable solutions. Once things start moving we could go from awareness to solutions fairly rapidly, like someone quickly moving from a dream world to their bathroom in the morning to start their day.

But those eyes need to open first.

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Letters to the Editor

The Cold, Hard Reality

"If I weren't living it, I would never have believed it"- Denman Islander

By now, the majority of Canadians realize that something very wrong is happening in our world. It's happening in our communities, regions, nations and especially at the level of the Centralized Global Governance which has inserted itself into power without our consent or even our knowledge. The big shift we are seeing right now, with nuclear armaments being readied and troop buildups massing around the world, is enough to give even the most complacent pause. Canada, in it's traditional "peace-keeping role" is supplying billions of dollars and armaments to the war effort. Could soldiers be far behind?

The decline in the health and security of the West didn't happen overnight and isn't a coincidence. It's the byproduct of a plan that has been implemented over many decades and is being coordinated at every level of government even if most are unaware. It's been hidden in plain sight. Many are looking and some have been noticing for a very long time. One of those people is the late Rosa Koire who was an early whistle blower of the UN Agenda 21/30 for worldwide control through their Sustainable Development goals. "Behind the Green Mask" is the book written by Rosa Koire in 2011. Her words may not have resonated with many in the past but certainly are now. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBs4ewSONfs>

In this video, Rosa discusses the plan, who is behind it and how it is being implemented. Environmentalism is the weapon and an excuse to expand power at the global level. Those agendas are pushed hard, day and night, without ever addressing actual environmental concerns. The international players in charge - governments, mega-corporations, Central banks, NATO, NGO's (the UN, WHO, WEF) have partnered up and are integral to the goals of the Centralized World Governance that we have unwittingly been forced to adopt at every level of our swollen bureaucracies. Trudeau has expanded the federal workforce by 40% in his 9 years of office. It takes a lot of civil servants to implement Globalist objectives! The fiscal cost to Canadians has been a doubling of the national debt in those 9 years and burgeoning poverty.

If you're old enough to remember the sixties, you can remember what it was like to:

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- raise a family on one income
- consume food that was grown locally and free of chemicals
- buy items that were produced in Canada/US and were made to last decades
- rely on a medical system that was functional, well run and trusted
- experience robust health
- have an education system that wasn't designed to socially engineer our youth
- have our resources used first and foremost for the benefit of Canadians and not to be peddled to the highest bidder on the world stage
- have an environment that was still relatively pristine
- have governments and institutions we could trust
- have our voices heard
- have food banks, emergency shelters, homeless camps and widespread drug addiction non-existent
- allow small business, the historical cornerstone of our economy, to thrive
- enjoy a stable economy with low inflation
- have a future for our children
- enjoy true resiliency

What changed? The Plan for Centralized World Government was quietly implemented, starting in the early seventies. The plan was advanced by Pierre Trudeau and supported by every leader since and is being aggressively pursued by Justin Trudeau. The goals of total control of all "resources, lands, humans, plant and animal life" and the dissolution of sovereign nations, are to be implemented by 2030. The One World Government is rushing to finalize the plan as time runs out. A further pressure is that people are becoming aware and world-wide resistance is growing rapidly. It's a plan that will take whatever we have left and give it to the ruthless Globalists who already control 90% of the world's wealth. "You will own nothing and be happy" has been their slogan. Their entitlement knows no bounds.

The hour is late but we ultimately have the power to resist these sweeping changes as the Globalists are doubling down and forcing through their agendas. There is a direct relationship between the rising power of the Globalists and our demise. The power trio in Ottawa -Trudeau, Freeland and Singh are avowed Globalists and graduates of the WEF Young Global Leaders loyalty program. Freeland sits on the Board of Trustees at the WEF, as does Larry Fink, the CEO of Blackrock which along with one or two other corporations, controls most of the world's assets. The documentary "Monopoly" tracks the control of the financial system by the Corporatocracy. <https://rumble.com/embed/ucfsd.v2kbgie/>

Al Gore is also a WEF Trustee. His Hollywood Blockbuster "An Inconvenient Truth" (2006) was leveraged into great wealth and he amassed over 300 million dollars, largely through the trade of carbon credits. This was his political reward for introducing the global warming crisis to the masses. Genius! He used some of his wins to purchase a palatial beachfront mansion in California. Rising sea levels avoid Politician's waterfront homes as a matter of course.

We have been suffering under the megalomaniacs in charge for long enough. Widespread war is what they want and that is very unreasonable. How many innocent people have died or been displaced in the last few years alone? We must stop the madness with whatever voice we have left. The first thing we can do, is refuse to give our votes to anyone with a Globalist agenda. They are the proverbial wolves in sheep's clothing.

Just kidding - was wondering if anyone would fall for the conspiracy theory.

Helen Grond 

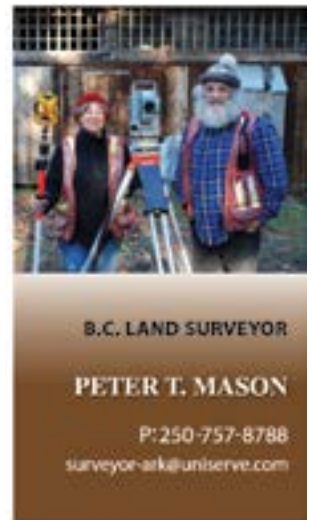


Karl with his brother 2024

Karl Goodwin
Oct 1st, 1944 - June 14, 2024

*I want to thank Karl Goodwin for his deeply
valued friendship.
Karl's humour and kindness, and his amazing
wit will be missed.
We all benefited from his Flagstone cartoons.
I will miss you old friend.
Love to dearest Rae.*

B. Holden



A Cure for Entitlement

by Dean Unger

Where causes and conditions are favourable, I am fortunate to bear only the suffering I bring upon myself: I am spared the language of anguish and affliction at the hands of others.

Where causes and conditions are beneficial, I have good food to eat, and clean water to drink, where others have none: I am spared the language of profound hunger.

Where causes and conditions are negligible, I have a roof over my head, and a soft bed to lay upon: I am spared the language of cold and homelessness.

Where causes and conditions are favourable, I am kept in good company when it suits me, and find solace where it is required: there are others who live alone, lacking all human compassion and contact; I am spared the language of loneliness and sorrow.

Where causes and conditions are optimal, I find grace in solitude and meditation; there are others who are immersed in noise and confusion from sunrise to sunset, day in and day out: I am spared the language of discord and disorder.

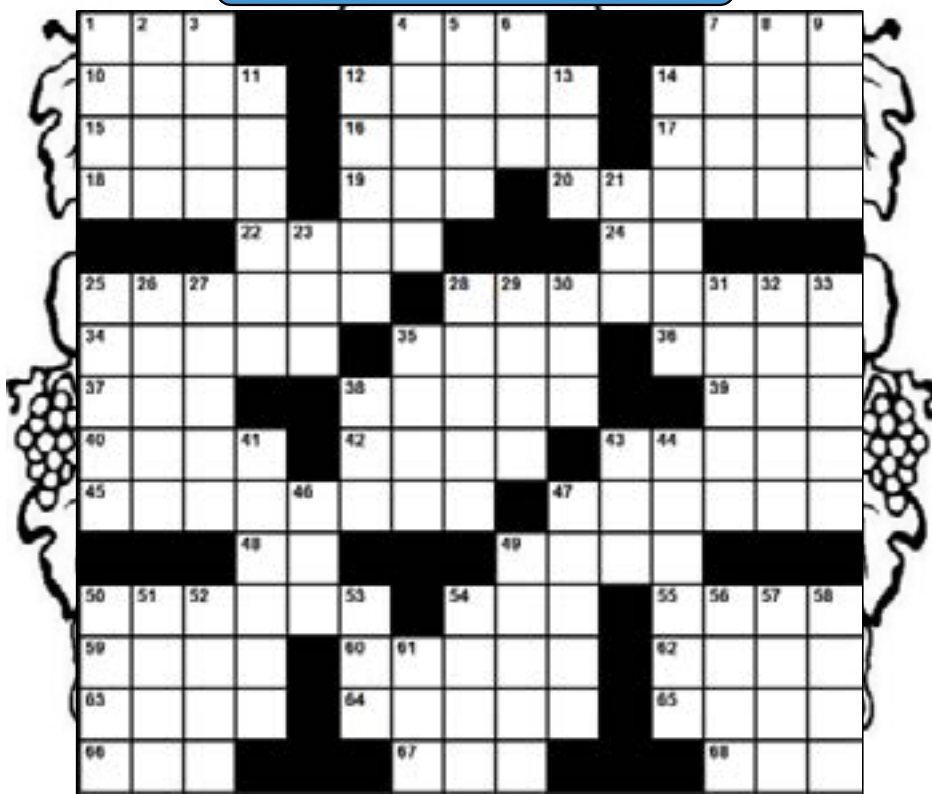
Where causes and conditions are favourable, by good fortune of time and place, I can sit in view of the sun, a view of the light as it sits, either at sunrise, or twilight, enlivened by the sage advice of my Teacher: I am spared the language of the Lost Way, and the path before me is lit.

Where causes and conditions are favourable, the path is laid at my feet and the light is cast on ahead in such a way: who am I to question such good fortune?

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12. Pancreas or liver
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15. Black-and-white cookie
16. Of sound mind
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18. Actor Sean
19. Capt.'s heading
20. Rudder turner
22. Hymned
24. Certainly not!
25. Cattle enclosures
28. Spent
34. Bast fiber plant
35. Brief skirt
36. Collect ore
37. Big flap
38. Informal term for money
39. Adorer's poetry
40. Hokkaido ancients
42. Preposition
43. Piece of information
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49. Baron, e.g.
50. Commemorative tablet

54. Caught ya!
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59. Comic strip moppet
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8. Advance an argument
9. Barley product
11. Dwarfed shrub
12. Narrow valleys
13. Banned substance
14. Botanical tissues
21. Calligrapher's supply
23. A Canadian export
25. African village
26. Diameter halves
27. Between three
28. Jousts
29. Biblical preposition
30. Opposite of trans
31. Civil unrests
32. Provide with a trait
33. Has an opinion
35. Cafe card
38. Baby talk syllable
41. Matchless
43. Be left on base
44. Port city of Denmark
46. Aussie bird
47. Abe's trademark
49. Give a ring
50. Go slowly
51. Fast sled
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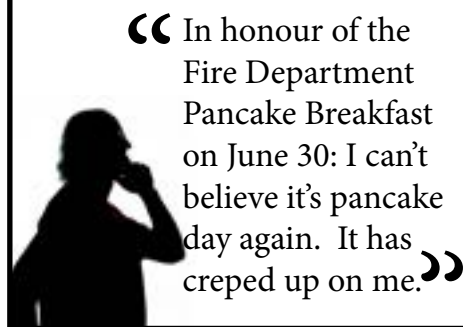
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• LOST & FOUND •

LOST: Black Samsung Galaxy phone. Last seen at the Guesthouse on Saturday during the Home and Garden Tour. The only place I went from there was directly to the ferry. I can only think it fell out of my pocket somewhere between the café and the parking lot. If found my email is: maman@islandnet.com, and also I can be reached at 250-754-8575.

LOST: Black extendable dog leash & collar, somewhere along the Wren road Footpath. If found please call 250-335-1535

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• FREE STORE 4:30pm-6pm



FRIDAY 28

• Dora Drinkwater Library 1:30pm-3:30pm
• AA Meeting DI United Church
Gathering Place 7pm
• HAPPY SOLSTICE!!

SATURDAY 29

• RECYCLING CENTRE 9-5pm
• BOTTLE DEPOT 9-5pm
• FREE STORE 9-Noon
• FARMERS MARKET Old School 9:30-12:30
• Dora Drinkwater Library 1:30pm-3:30pm
• Hornby Pride Parade 3pm Hornby Co-op

SUNDAY 30

• DIVFD Annual Pancake Beakfast
9-Noon @ The Firehall

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