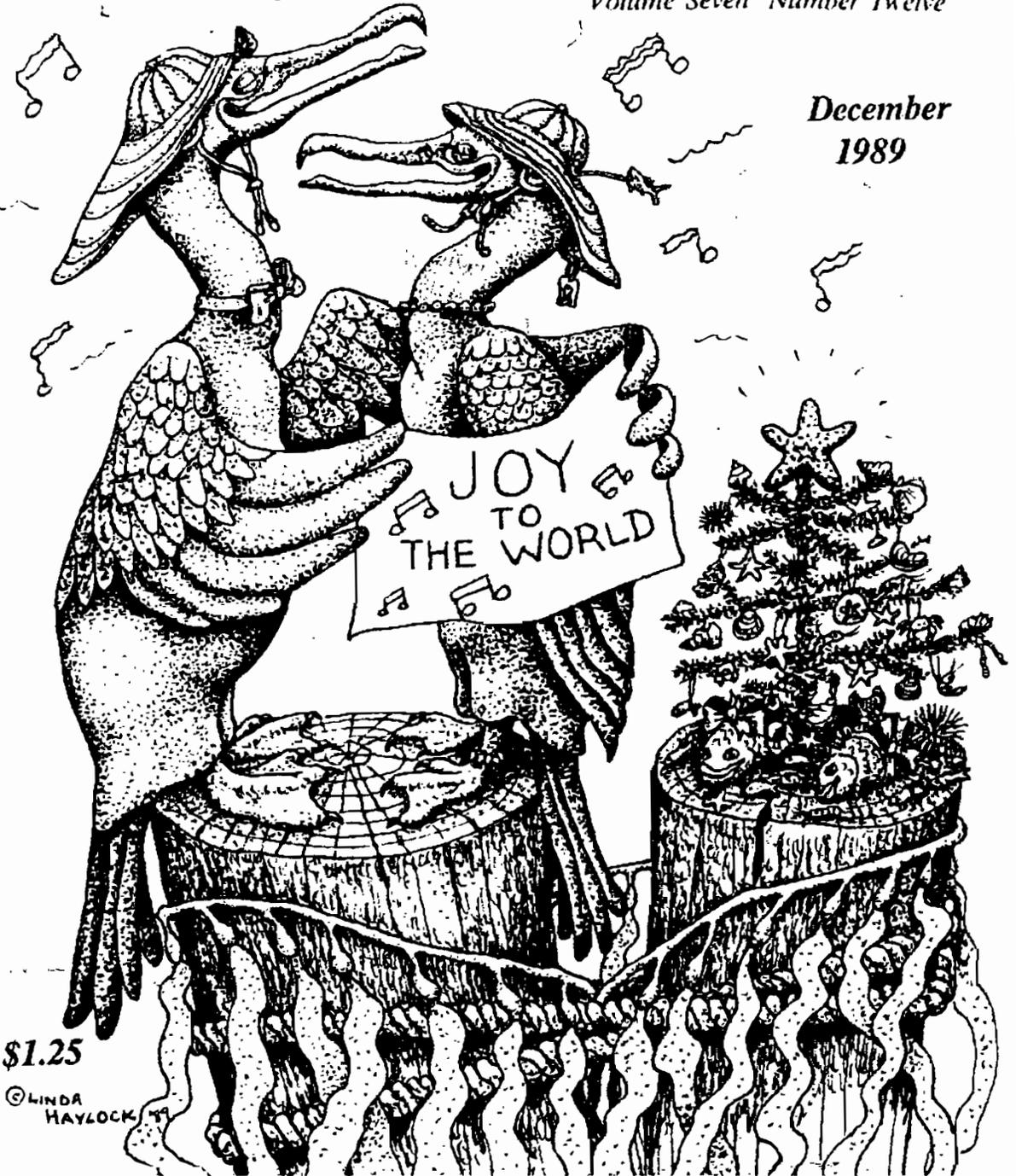


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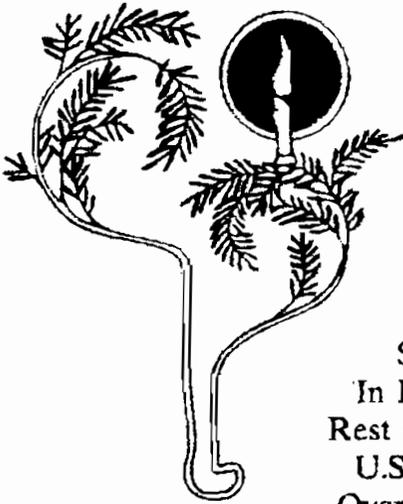


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Commentary - St. Luke 1:26-38

by

Rev. Marv. Fowler

Famine -
Disease -
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the world over
no justice
Order
Purpose
or Peace
only Caprice

Is God Mad?
or dead?
Perhaps a laugh
and we are the joke.
I think not -
They were right
those scoffers -
there is no God
and we are all mad.

They came
the legionnaires
to bring liberation
and justice
they said they would
establish law and order.

Whose law?
Whose order?
For whose benefit?

O God
they cannot be right
might is not right.
O God
they cannot be right
You must not be dead.
Do something, God.

**ALL RIGHT, I WILL.
A YOUNG WOMAN
WILL CONCEIVE**

O God!
The joke gets worse.
Another mouth to feed
another life
to be snuffed out.
We have already
too many babies
to be put to the sword.
Send your avenging angel
to shake the world
and at one thunderstroke
remake it all -
there is no other way
out of this mess.

**A SON OF DAVID HE
WILL BE**

Ah! a Son of David -

*now I see
a fearless leader
whose authority ...*

**WON'T YOU LET ME
GET IN ONE WORD
YES !!!!!
ALL HUMANITY
SEEMS MAD.
WHAT DO YOU WANT
ME TO DO?
RELIEVE YOU
OF YOUR RESPONSIBILITY
FOR LIFE
AND LOVE
AND ORDER
AND EACH OTHER?
HAVE YOU LOST SO MUCH?
YOU ARE LOST.
THE FLAME OF MY SPIRIT
HAS EXPIRED
YOU KNOW NOT
WHAT IT MEANS
TO BE MY CHILDREN -
SISTERS, BROTHERS
YOU WANT ME
TO REMOVE
YOUR CREATIVITY?
TO ERASE COMPLETELY
MY IMAGE
FROM YOUR SOUL
AND DO YOUR WORK FOR
YOU?
YOU WANT A LEADER
ON WHOM ALL CAN LEAN.**

**WILL THAT MAKE YOU
STEWARDS, HEIRS,
BROTHERS, SISTERS?**

**YES I WILL SEND YOU
A MAN - ONE -
TRULY HUMAN
BEGOTTEN OF MY SPIRIT
ME - HE
WHO WILL SHOW YOU AGAIN
WHAT A SON OF MAN IS.
DO YOU WANT MAGIC?
I GIVE YOU INSTEAD
- A MYSTERY -
THE TRUE HUMANITY
WHICH IS
THE TRUE DIVINITY
FIRST BORN
OF A NEW CREATION
YOU LONG FOR ANOTHER
KING DAVID -
I GIVE YOU A KING
OF LOVE - WHO -
WHEN HE IS LIFTED UP
YOU WILL KNOW
YOU ARE LOVED
AND BEING LOVED
PERHAPS LOVING.
AND YOU MARY
WILL BE
HIS MOTHER**

My God!

O my God!

The Masthead

by
Jeanne Ferris

Lots of events to choose from this December in Bamfield. A Community Affairs meeting on December 18, the School Christmas Concert on December 20, the Volunteer Fire Department Open House on the 22nd, Chanukah and the arrival of our friends from Madison on the 23rd, Santa's visit on the 24th, accompanied by Chi Lins dancing 'round the moon (read on), Christmas dinner and Hannelore's **Dragonlines** video on the 25th, the Christmas Bird Count on the 29th and the New Year's Eve parties at the Community Hall and the Hook & Web Pub on December 31.

Many thanks to Linda Haylock for the cormorants singing on our cover, and to all of you who contributed to this month's **Sounder**.

We were called away suddenly in late November when my dad died, which is why the **Sounder** is more than a little late this month. I would like to thank everyone who expressed



sympathy, and especially those who shared a fond memory or an amusing story of my dad. My favourite was the one I was always promising him I would send off to **Readers' Digest**, and somehow never got around to writing. It goes like this:

My dad was a sincere and perceptive teacher during his working years, held in high regard by many of his students and fellow educators. My brother and I called him Pop, never Daddy or Father. Several years after he retired, I was home for a visit and started to call him "father". Maybe I felt it was the thing to do, now that I was over 40 and he was over 70.

He didn't say anything for a few days, but finally he asked me to please call him "Pop" again, instead of "Father". Without much thought I asked why, and he replied with his mischievous grin, "Father' is the one I ask for miracles."

I hope your Christmas will be, or was, a warm and peaceful one, and that your New Year will exceed your wildest expectations.



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School Concert

by
Ed Para, Principal

The children of Eric Godson Memorial School, grades K through 8, will hold their annual Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 20 at 7 p.m. in the Community Hall. The public is welcome.

New Teacher

Mrs. Velma Huber from Qualicum Beach will be replacing Mrs. Pat Lindsay, who is taking maternity leave, for the remainder of this school year. Mrs. Huber has had many years of teaching experience at all grade levels. She will be teaching mainly Grades 6, 7 and 8 while in Bamfield.

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Betsy's Poem
by
Elizabeth Stalder
Age 4

*When
It is
Cold
And Cold
And Cold
You better wear
Your mittens.*



A Christmas Present for Chi Lin

by
J.L. St.Alder

It was the week before Christmas, not that it made any difference to Chi Lin. She would be alone this Christmas, as she had been alone for many many years. No one knew that she lived deep in the Carmanah woods on Vancouver Island. The Chi Lin was a mystical Chinese deer with silken fur made of real gold and a long, bushy tail, more like the tail of a fox than a deer.

Chi Lin had come to Vancouver Island in a dream, because that is the way all Chi Lins travel. It happened that the Chinese cook at the old Cable Station in Bamfield dreamed one night about his home in China. In his dream he saw the small golden Chi Lin his grandmother used to tell him about. A mystical deer, with eyes more black than a moonless night, fur more golden than the sun and a heart which knew only kindness. And since dreaming about a Chi Lin will make it come true, when the cook woke up there was one Chi Lin in Bamfield.

Chi Lin did not show herself to the cook, or to any of the humans. Instead, she wandered deep into the rainforest. There she lived peacefully beneath an old cedar snag. Owls and woodpeckers and eagles lived in the canopy above her. Island deer and cougars, black bears, squirrels and mink lived in the woods around her. None of them paid any attention to the small Chi Lin; they had their own lives to live.

Chi Lin might have lived alone forever, but one day, a week before Christmas, she was spotted in the forest by a Bamfield house cat named Mocha Java. Mocha was a partly Siamese cat, so naturally she had been told about the Chi Lins in China by her partly Siamese mother. All cats, but especially Siamese, have strong feelings of family and tradition, and all kittens, most especially Siamese, learn the history of the
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MEETING**

**MONDAY, DEC. 18
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A solution to the problem of garbage disposal for Bamfield seems to be near. There are some things regarding this issue that need to be discussed by the community.

Please make an effort to attend.

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- A fully employed crew member of a Federal Gov-

ernment vessel with a spouse and two children receives little more money each month than a similar family on social assistance.

Both families live perilously close to the poverty line.

- We want to work and to receive fair compensation for our work. We have patiently worked, under an expired collective agreement, for almost two years.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- We would greatly appreciate your support in our struggle for fair wages.

- Please write or telephone your local Member of Parliament and express your concern. Request that your M.P. assist in getting Treasury Board to sit down at the bargaining table with members of Federal Government ships' crews and bring this strike to an end.



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Red Cross Carnival – 1989

by
Pat Garcia

The annual Red Cross Carnival was held in the Community Hall on November 18 with good attendance.

The Branch sincerely thanks those who donated raffles, other prizes, auction foods; those who helped in the kitchen, helped selling raffle tickets, sideshow operators, auctioneer, runners and cashiers and all those who came out to spend their money and join in the fun!

Revenue \$2158.51
Expenses \$ 456.40
\$1702.11

Out of the 1989 Carnival monies we are setting aside money for a small photocopier and "Call forwarding" at the Outpost.

Raffle Winners

Mystery – donated by S. Chambers – Mary Sewell

Money – donated by J.S. McMillan, General Store, Trails Motel – Dolores Tennant, Deb Garcia, Nancy Sanders
Doll – donated by Mary Patrick – Neil Hegstrom
Hamper – donated by Kamshee – Hedy Demontigny
Bottle – donated by Bamfield Marine Station – Kathryn Cook
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Coffee Table – donated by D. Hegstrom – Brian McKay
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Cake – donated by Marie Ostrom – Kirk Robins
Honey – donated by E. Bayley – John McInerney
Barbie Soda Shop – donated by J. Garcia – Maggie Byman

Crib Tournament

First – Gordie Hawkins
Runner-Up – Gary Dwolinsky
Plaque and prizes donated by The Bamfield Marine Station, Bamfield Inn and Bamfield Trails Motel.



IN MY OPINION

by
James Ferris, coeditor

I can't believe that another year is almost finished and father time is ready to pass the mantle to the next generation. This has been a real year for news and major change in the world. There is real hope for peace and hopefully prosperity can follow. Keep your fingers crossed and perhaps pray a little. It might be possible to pass on something worthwhile to our children.



The issue of the road will not be solved this year. The whole thing has gone back to committee for further study. We have, however, a hope for a solution to our garbage problem. There will be a Community Affairs meeting on December 18 to discuss the garbage problem and Al Benton will put forward the

solution that is to be considered. One decision that will have to be made is where to locate the pickup point. From what Al tells me, the cost of the service will be reasonable.

I would like to thank Linda Haylock for the wonderful cover picture she did for this month's issue of the **Barkley Sounder**. The Christmas issue of the **Barkley Sounder** is always special for us and her cover art makes this Christmas copy exceptional.

Monica's article in this month's issue seems to me to be a really appropriate, thought-provoking addition to our Christmas paper. I recommend it highly. Please take the time to read it and think about it.

This is, I think, our seventh December printing of the **Barkley Sounder**. We start our eighth year and a new decade next month and look forward to it. Jeanne and I want to thank you all for your support and interest. We intend to try to make our journal as interesting as possible in the coming months.

BAMFIELD WEATHER

by
Peter Janitis

Mother Nature was again low profile in November. Probably as astounded as the rest of the free world watching the happenings in Europe. People standing in line to get some food.

People standing in line to get some herring. Here in Bamfield we sure as heck didn't have to stand in line

to get a bucket of water.

A full 18.9 inches of rain for November this year.

The average is 15.6 inches. Total for the year so far is 83.88 inches.

Last year there were 101.91 inches.



TEMPERATURES

It was very mild. Our maximum temperatures were always very close to the nations hot spots. The high of 14°C (58°F)

was on November 8 and 9.

There was only one freezing temperature, that of -1°C (30°F) on the 22nd.

Mean Maximum - 10.4°C (50.7°F)
Mean Minimum - 4.8°C (40.6°F)
Mean Temp - 7.6°C (45.6°F)

Last years mean temperature was 7.25°C (45°F). There were no southeasters to speak of yet. There were four days with hail. but no fog.



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A FRIENDLY REMINDER

by
Monica Odenwald

According to our constitution, every man has equal rights and the individual freedom to think, act and feel the way he so chooses. This is according to the laws governing this country. Law can be defined in many terms. Here is one; *A rule or formula governing a function or operation.* As humanity's inherent drive to survive has moved him into the 20th Century, the hands of time serve him as a guideline of insight into who he is and how he formed the civilization we are a part of today.

From the world we see around us, we can safely agree that we are moving into times beyond the basic survival needs, and into a fast-moving technological age. Our man-made laws have helped man to progress and evolve to where he is today.

It is natural to form rules. There are obviously very exact laws governing nature, our home,

with all its diversity and complexity. The sun directs the growth processes on earth, the moon governs the tides and one may even conclude, ecologically speaking, that we co-exist today with the millions of species around us by the grace of the governing rules and laws of nature.

Science is a study which, through experimenting, helps us understand how to apply our developing knowledge of the natural laws. Through understanding and awareness of nature we can learn to interact with the infinite forms of life in purposeful ways. This is relative to who, where and why we are alive today.

There are three destructive forces today that have crept into man's society. Their ingredients contain no negative force in themselves. It is how man is applying them that is creating destruction of the human body. They are cigarettes, alcohol and drugs.

In our democratic society it is evident our laws have formed from the voice of the people. Democracy works for the good of the whole. Our problems

arise when the "whole" decides something bad is actually good. Then the bad is incorporated into the society. For example, if 99 people say, "let's poison ourselves" and one says "no" the 99 will win.

It sounds like the medieval days when a community would decide that a particular lady was a witch. As this grew in acceptance and popularity among the townspeople, a decision was made to burn her at the stake.

Naturally, through the ages man has developed laws which prevent these savage mistakes.

Drugs, alcohol and smoking poison our system slowly. It is completely unnatural for us to willingly poison ourselves, and if these enemies were introduced to us as poisons we probably would say, "No, thank you".

I am amazed that the drug, drinking and cigarette problems are so prevalent in Bamfield. The battles against these patterns of destruction are so intensely fought in the big cities. Here, in the very heart of nature, the poisons have not only found their way into our lives, they govern them, especially among the young generation.

With the misuse of nature, the effects can be devastating. Let's not pretend we are doing anything except poisoning our bodies with these habits and are clearly showing our children and neighbours how to, as well.

If you saw a two-year-old swallowing a cleaning agent you would know it was too young to understand its environment and instinctively save its life. Well, when we see our parents, friends and society in general poisoning themselves are we also among people too immature or ignorant to understand what is good in our environment?

The question is, at this point on the path of self-destruction, where do we turn for help? Do we go with it or go without?

Being alive in the 20th Century has its challenges! People who operate in this society out of greed for financial gain are who we battle against. The major companies are not serving man's needs, only their own.

Triumphantly, man has moved beyond the basic survival needs and is alive in a new age. We are discovering a global community, creating a new iden-

tity and purpose as a unique species.

It's hard not to have the influence and power to help you people out there who are poisoning yourselves. It is scary to be so helpless. It is even more a battle when you make it important for us to poison ourselves, like you do. Of course, the freedom to choose remains yours. Good Luck!

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CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT FOR BAMFIELD

by
Alan Burger

For the fourth consecutive year there will be a Christmas Bird Count for Bamfield. The count will be held on Friday, December 29. You don't have to be an expert birder to join one of the parties who will roam the beaches and woods and boat around the islands counting birds. CBCs are a fun way to get to know the local birds while contributing to a very important scientific data base.

Each year over a two week Christmas period birders all over North America participate in over 1550 CBCs.

Counts in 1988 ranged from a low of 15 birds of one species (the Raven) at Prudhoe Bay, Alaska to 218 species at Santa Barbara, California. The high



count for Canada for the past two years has been in Victoria with 145 species.

Last Christmas we counted 3488 birds of 70 species within the 15 mile diameter count circle. Most of these were water birds living in estuaries and inlets and among the islands, but we also found lots of interesting forest birds. The information from each count is sent to the



Audubon Society in New York which publishes the results in the journal *American Birds*. This is the 90th year that CBCs have been done and the huge sets of data which have accumulated provide wildlife managers, biologists and birders with unparalleled data on the distribution and population changes of wild birds.

Birds like the Barred Owl, which was reported from Bamfield only in the last few years, are expanding their ranges while

others such as the similar Spotted Owl are becoming very rare. Christmas Bird Counts are an important way of documenting these changes.

But the most important function of a CBC is to get people out to enjoy the outdoors and to learn about some of the local wildlife.

If you are interested in participating on the 29 December, call me in Victoria (479-9833) or leave your name at the Bamfield Marine Station (728-3301).

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Victoria – Rita Johnston, Minister of Transportation and Highways, today announced that the recommendation to construct an access road to West Bamfield will be reconsidered by the Vancouver Island Regional Transportation Committee.

Earlier this summer, the Committee recommended the construction of a road to West Bamfield as one of the priorities in its submission to the Ministry for the Provincial Transportation Plan.

"Those opposed to a West Bamfield access road did not present their views during the public hearings," said Johnston, "and it is only fair that they be given an opportunity to do so. The issue should be reviewed because there are strong feelings on both sides."

Currently, West Bamfield is accessible only by water.

"Public consultation is a major component in the develop-

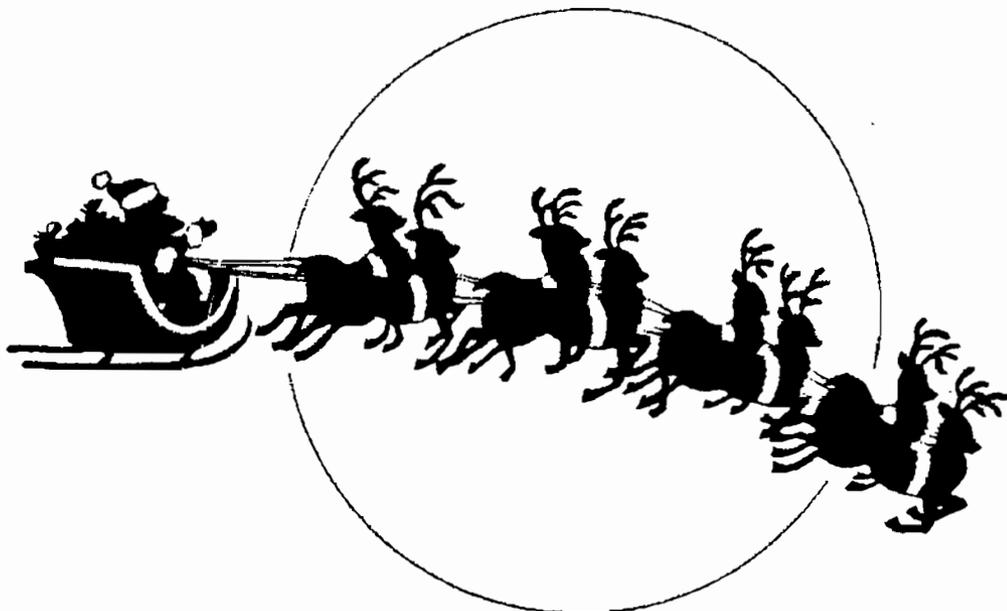
ment of Regional Transportation Plans," said Johnston. "We have to ensure that recommendations are based on the full range of public input. In this case, the Committee will now hear both sides of the issue before making a final recommendation."

The proposed access road around the Bamfield Inlet would link East Bamfield, which is accessible by road, to West Bamfield. The road would be approximately two kilometres in length.

Bamfield, on Barkley Sound, is 94 kilometres west of Port Alberni.

"Earlier this year, eight Regional Transportation Committees throughout the province encouraged public input to assist in the development of transportation recommendations in each area," said Johnston. "These regional recommendations are now being amalgamated into a provincial plan by the Ministry of Transportation and Highways to provide a framework for planning projects which will take us into the twenty-first century."

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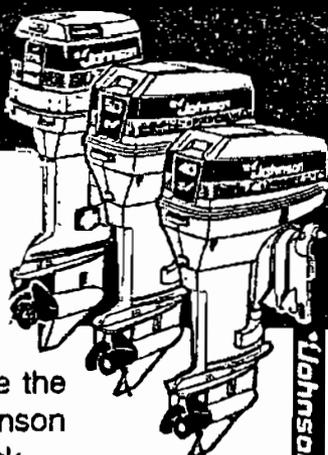
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Season Greetings

from

The Director & S
of the Bamfield Marine

About the artist...

Anne Stewart teaches marine biology in the field-trip programme at the Bamfield Marine Station. Her two favorite artistic media are pen and ink and water colours. She finds inspiration in the natural beauty of the Barkley Sound area and in the subtidal flora and fauna.

This year's card depicts Brady's Beach, a favourite site for teaching and research at the marine station. This year nearly 2,000 students will visit Brady's beach with the field trip programme.

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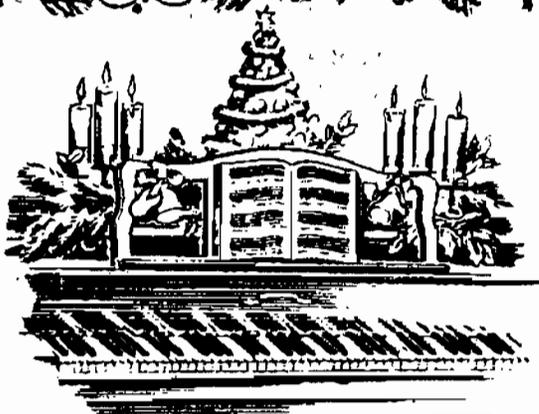
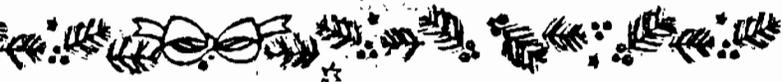
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 Christmas and a Happy
 New Year*

BAMFIELD PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

by
Kitty Lloyd

Our society had its annual general meeting in November, and following is the new executive for 1990:

President - Kitty Lloyd
Vice-President - Amy Phillips
Secretary - Stuart Hall
Treasurer - Lindsy Quane

Our major accomplishment in 1989 was the continuation of trail clearing in the Cape Beale headlands. This summer the crew brushed out the trail from Bamfield to Cape Beale. We hope to continue with this project next summer, and also to construct a new trail to join the Cape Beale and Keeha Beach trails, so that hikers can make a circuit from Bamfield.

The past two years we received funding for the trail project through the "Employment Plus" program. To be hired on this program, workers had to be

receiving Social Assistance and were hired through that office in Port Alberni. For the next year, we have made application for funding from the Environment Youth Corps, and if accepted, we can hopefully provide summer employment for local young people. We'll write more details in the spring if we are accepted.

The Society is also sponsoring a Community Pride workshop in February, 1990. This is a program organized and run by B.C. Heritage Trust, designed to stimulate interest in preserving/promoting various aspects of a community, and will steer us in the right direction for acquiring funding for such projects. The types of projects undertaken are up to the community to decide. For more information on this please see the article in this issue called "Community Pride".

Our next meeting will be January 4, 1990, at the school. New members are always welcome; if you are interested please give one of the executive a call.



COMMUNITY PRIDE

by
Amy Phillips

Those of you who attended the last Community Affairs meeting will already be somewhat familiar with the B.C. Community Pride Program. It is sponsored by the B.C. Heritage Trust, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture and was created as a result of "Project Pride", a 1987 task force on heritage conservation. Its purpose is to help communities develop their own heritage resources.

The Bamfield Preservation and Development Society has made application to this program and has been informed that the proposed date is the weekend of February 9, 1990. Invitations will be issued to all community groups, businesses and members of local government for response.

Step one in this process is a workshop entitled "Let's Get Organized". In this workshop, "players from key organizations in your community bring forward

issues that concern them and the community. We help you identify the key issues and turn those issues into objectives and an action plan."

The format for the weekend is as follows:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- The four facilitators of the workshop will arrive in Bamfield on Thursday afternoon. They will book (and pay for) their own accommodation.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- Friday morning the facilitators tour Bamfield to get a "feel for the community".

They would like to see our weak points as well as our strong.

- Friday afternoon they put their heads together to plan their approach to the workshop.

- Friday evening they provide a presentation of the program. This is open to any and all interested individuals who care to attend. They will brief us on the outline of the workshop and what we can expect to accomplish. This will be an opportunity for those not attending the

workshop to ensure that their feelings and concerns are considered.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- Saturday is a daylong workshop, led by the four trained facilitators provided by the Heritage Trust. Participation is optimum at 20 to 25 people, "including reasonable representation of key community leaders". In a letter of thanks from the District of Burnaby regarding their Community Pride Workshop, Alderman Drummond states, "We particularly appreciated the fact that the objectives of the workshop were clearly laid out at the beginning and that short presentations were followed by active participation opportunities for the group".

The following is the list of "key community leaders" (without names) we have come up with to date. If you feel any organization is missing, please contact us as soon as possible.

- Regional Director (1)
- Regional District (1)
- Ohiaht Band (2)
- Fire Department (1)

- Coast Guard (1)
- Parks Commission (1)
- Water Board (1)
- Red Cross (1)
- A.P.C. (5)
- Chamber of Commerce (1)
- Community Hall (1)
- Local Historian (1)
- Church (1)
- School (1)
- B.M.S. (1)
- B.P.D.S. (1)
- Media (1)
- Businesses (2)
- W. Bamfield Resident (1)
- E. Bamfield Resident (1)
- S. Bamfield Resident (1)
- Grappler Resident (1)
- Summer Residents (1)
- Lodging Facilities (2)
- Artistic Community (1)
- Other (3)

All 5 members of the A.P.C. have been included. In some cases the resident representatives could have businesses as well.

You will note that the total here is 35. It is expected that some individuals may represent 2 of the above and that others may simply be unable to attend. Also, some individuals may not represent any of the above but may wish to attend anyway. The final registration list will be sub-

mitted to Al Benton to ensure it is a fair and accurate representation of the entire community.

More information will be supplied in the near future. If you are keen to attend the workshop please make your feelings known, either to the Chairperson of your organization, to the Bamfield Preservation and Development Society directly, or to our Regional Director. As we start compiling the list (and making phone calls!) it will make it much easier if we have some idea of your interest. This must be a well rounded, cooperative effort on behalf of the citizens of Bamfield in order for it to be effective. Please do your utmost to ensure that your organization (or whatever!) is represented. It ought to be a very interesting day!

For more information, or to register for the workshop, please contact Amy Phillips, Bamfield Preservation and Development Society at 728-3447 or Al Benton, Regional Director at 728-3353.

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"Get tough with big polluters"

Environmental protection under the Socreds is like the weather – lots of talk about it, but little ever changes.

Witness the recent closure of the fisheries in B.C.'s poisoned coastal waters. Commercial crab, oyster, clam and shrimp fishing have been banned in eight areas, all adjacent to pulp or saw mills. Our coastal communities have taken another knockdown blow – fishermen, aboriginal people, and residents with their livelihoods put at risk, and their families' health threatened.

They're paying for Socred neglect of our environment. Just weeks ago the environment minister belittled the pollution problem in Howe Sound, where a similar shellfish ban already exists. He insists the problem is not urgent and says pollution will be dealt with in a few years' time.

Excuses and the old stonewalling won't work. Our environment and fisheries can't wait, and neither can the people of this province. British Columbians no longer trust the Vander Zalm government to protect our environment. They know the Socreds lack the political will to get tough with the big corporate polluters and clean up our poisoned waters.

People are telling me enough is enough. Enough with the gimmicky public relations. Enough with the fake newscast ads on the nightly news. It's time to stop slapping big polluters on the wrist and start slapping them in jail.

B.C. pulp and paper does \$3 billion in business each year. The industry is moving towards pollution abatement. But in the meantime, some mills continue breaking the rules and poisoning our water, while reaping profit. It's those mills, thumbing their noses at the rest of us, who must be immediately stopped.

New Democrats are demanding pulp mills that fail to comply with current pollution guidelines be forced to post a \$50 million

Environment and Economic Protection Bond. The provincial government can then draw on that fund to monitor, prevent, and where necessary, launch immediate clean-up of contamination. The fund could also be used to quickly compensate British Columbians whose living suffers by pollution.

Only polluting mills would be required to post a bond. These bonds will shake up the industry, provide clean-up funds, and prevent further contamination of our environment.

They'll also send a clear message to one and all that British Columbians won't stand for anything but the highest standard of environmental protection. Our families and our children deserve it. We demand it, now.



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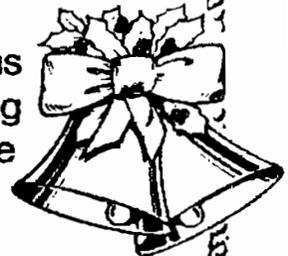
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The following letter was provided by Kitty Lloyd. We feel that it is worth printing in order to provoke some thought among those of us who live on and love this beautiful island.

Fellow Island Resident:

There is a growing consensus that unless we soon take drastic measures to change the way we relate to our natural environment, our planet earth may not long be able to support human, animal and plant life.

We believe that Vancouver Island could become a model community for the world in its effort to heal the planet. Although some changes in lifestyle may be necessary, we feel that we could learn to live in harmony with nature while enjoying a comfortable standard of living.

Vancouver Island is incredibly beautiful, with a great variety of ecosystems and landscapes. It is a separate, defined area close to a major urban centre but cushioned by the gentle pace of the Gulf Islands. Though we have caused much scarring of the land, there are still unspoilt

areas. The island attracts new residents from all over the world who recognize something special in our natural environment and are attracted by the qualities of a more gentle lifestyle. Within the past year, environmental awareness has grown dramatically as shown by the Chamber of Commerce poll that indicated 89% of the Victoria business community favored saving the Carmanah Valley; by letters to the editor daily addressing environmental concerns; and by the city's Economic Development Commissioner proposing that Victoria establish an International Centre for Environmental Enterprise. Tourists and other visitors urge us to protect the beauty of the island which they recognize as so unique.

While much restoring, mending, nurturing and preserving of the natural environment on this island is urgently needed, we know that this healing is possible.

Through research, demonstration, education, and cooperation we could learn how to heal and protect our environment in ways that also support the economy of the island.

We are writing this letter to plant seeds of hope. of possibility. of long life.

We invite you to:

- * Think about this concept.
- * Become more conscious of the choices you make in your daily life regarding:
 - * waste, recycling and personal uses of our natural resources;
 - your appreciation and awareness of the natural world;
 - ways that you do or could personally contribute to the healing of our island.
- * Let your imagination create visions of how we could all make our island a model for the world.
- * Share this letter with someone.

Signed,

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CAPE BEALE WEATHER

by
Norbie Brand
Principal Lightkeeper

TEMPERATURES

Mean Maximum ... 10.4°C

Mean Minimum ... 6.2°C

EXTREMES

The maximum was 12.5°C
(54°F) on November 1, 3 and 9.

The minimum was 2°C (36°F)
on November 22.

Precipitation for November
was 388.8 mm or 15.4 inches of
measurable rain. There were
only four days without rain.

In 1988 the Mean Maximum
was 10.2°C and the Mean Mini-
mum was 5.5°C. Precipitation
was 610.9 mm or 24 inches.

It was a bit cooler and a lot
more rain fell from the sky than
this year.



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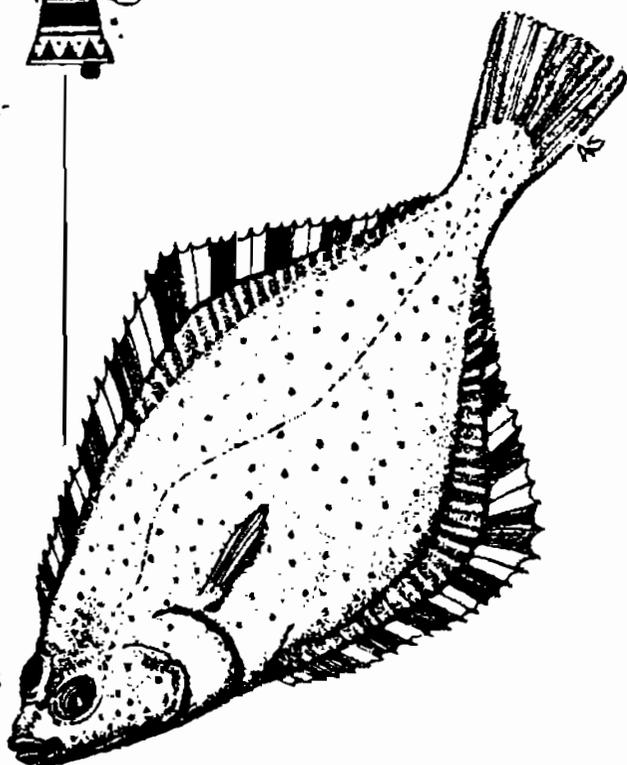
The Bamfield Marine Station has put together a Marine Life Calendar to promote year-round interest and concern for the marine environment. The calendar features drawings that were selected from over 1000 entries in a marine art contest held in celebration of Environment Week 1989, which was open to all B.C. and Alberta residents. The limited edition calendar combines the art with information on marine organisms and seasonal marine events. The project was sponsored by the Bamfield Marine Station, Environment Canada, Chevron Canada Ltd., Chevron Canada Resources and Gastown Printers Ltd.

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in its penurious
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with the clear eye
of a child, excised
falsehood from
his creed
of living.**

**One man
who shook the earth.
One man
whose simple birth
endowed the
human mind
with thoughts
beyond its
animal origin.**

**He gave us this –
the world can be changed –
the juggernaut
of power unhinged –
the light of kindness,
justice, and charity caught
and exploded in the minds
of a million men –
again –
again –
and again
and this vast plan
required
but one Man!**

– Pat Grace



LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Mr. Jim Ferris
Editor
Barkley Sounder
Bamfield, B.C.

Dear Sir:

The garbage situation in Bamfield is obviously a total disgrace and is indicative of our local government's complete lack of concern, initiative, and responsibility to the residents and tax payers of Bamfield.

Although tax payers of Bamfield are severely assessed in their contributions to highways, schools and Regional and Provincial coffers, we receive, in return, an absolute minimum of services. Parents raising money for a school basketball and the future elimination of garbage service leads me to believe that we residents must now make our government officials accountable.

The Sacred government is constantly advocating "User Pay" and the same theory should apply to Bamfield. At present, to my knowledge, the Provincial

and Federal institutions, and societies are not contributing to the local tax base. This could possibly include the Marine Station, Coast Guard, Red Cross, Pachena Band, School properties and Federal Marinas. Although this very large group of people, not including the hundreds of transient sport fishermen, druggers, gill netters and general public are conceivably the majority "users" of the Bamfield resources, they might be contributing little or nothing to maintain these services. Instead of a broad tax base including all users, we are left with a crushing tax load carried on the shoulders of the remaining few unfortunate souls that are trying to make a living and a life in Bamfield.

I could be completely wrong in my theory and the Marine Station could well be paying their \$100,000 land tax and Pachena their \$200,000. If I am right, however, don't count on me to roll over and contribute their share of a new garbage tax. I trust I will not be alone.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,
Mike Hicks



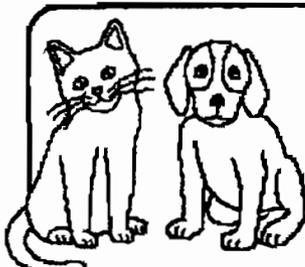


Dear Editors:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the community of Bamfield for its wonderful support of my concert at the United Church on October 28. It was a great pleasure for me, Jack and David to perform in front of such a responsive and friendly audience.

Special thanks to Margaret Andrews, Ebba Jennings and Kay Monrufet and also to those who made the reception afterwards such a success.

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In a large bowl cream together ½ cup of the butter and the icing sugar.



Stir in the flour. Pat the mixture into a square nine-inch cake pan. Bake at 350°F for about 12 minutes, until golden.

While that is baking, in a small pan melt the rest of the butter. Stir in honey and lemon juice. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, stir in nuts and almond extract. Spread the mixture over the hot baked layer and return it to the

oven for about 15 minutes at 350°F until it is golden brown.

Cut into squares while it is hot. Let it cool in the pan. If desired, you can drizzle a little melted chocolate over it.



CONGRATULATIONS

to Stuart Hall and Agnes Caravati on the birth of their new daughter, Sonia Rose Hall. Sonia was born in Victoria on November 25, 1989 and weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces at birth.

She joins sisters Sacha, age 6 and Alisson, age 4 as the youngest member of the happy family.

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world as they drink their mother's milk.

Mocha Java was a long way from home, looking for just the right mouse to put under the Christmas tree for her human friends, the ones she called Lapcats. With them, Mocha was a gentle little purrbelly with a Siamese face and very tidy white paws. But now, in the woods, her ears were back and she was a hunter, concentrating all her energies on shadows and rustling noises and tiny, whisker-thin squeaks. And that was how she came to see the Chi Lin, who was warming herself in a shaft of sunlight.

Mocha crept up quietly, and said, in her very best Chinese, which had a definite Siamese accent, "Greetings, mystical Chi Lin, from your Siamese friend, Mocha Java."

The Chi Lin opened her deep black eyes so wide that Mocha saw the midnight stars. Then she lowered her eyes and touched her golden muzzle to the ground and said, "Greetings. Please excuse my voice. I have not spoken Chinese to anyone for a very long time."

"You are a Chi Lin, aren't you,"

said Mocha. "My mother told me about your mother and father. She said that Chi Lins only work their magic to be helpful, and that it takes many Chi Lins to create magic. Where are the others? Is your herd nearby? I would love to see a thousand Chi Lins!"

Chi Lin lowered her eyes and moved out of the shaft of sunlight. It seemed to Mocha that the woods was dark, as if a rain cloud covered the sun.

"I have no magic here. There are no other Chi Lin's on Vancouver Island. Please go. You are making me sad," said Chi Lin.

Mocha Java didn't know what else to say, or what else to do, so she turned away and walked back towards Bamfield. Once she stopped and looked back, but there was no Chi Lin to be seen in the forest.

On Christmas eve Mocha found a fine, fat forest mouse and left it under the Christmas tree for her

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lapcats. She didn't kill the mouse because she wanted her lapcats to have fun with it, just like she did. She wondered why they didn't ever seem to play with mice. Maybe that was something they only did when she was outside. She stayed up most of Christmas eve night, keeping an eye on the mouse so it would still be under the tree on Christmas morning.

The family dog put his Christmas present under the tree as well. The dog's name was Terramuggus, and he was the most faithful dog in the whole world. He wanted to do everything and go everywhere with his people. This made sense to him because he thought he was people too. For Christmas he dug up one of his very best bones, one which had been aged in dirt for many months. He loved the aroma of that bone, and knew that his people would enjoy chewing it. He thought the mouse Mocha brought in was a bad idea.

"Why give a mouse to people, Mocha?" asked Terramuggus. "People are people, and dogs are people too, and we people like bones. We people do not like mice, thank you very much." Terramuggus always tried to be

polite, even to cats.

"The mouse will be a big hit with the Lapcats," argued Mocha. "Just you wait and see!"

So Terramuggus waited, and Mocha Java waited, and the mouse, well, it waited too. Near daybreak the mouse fell asleep where it lay hidden behind the rather muddy bone, Terramuggus fell asleep on the chair where he didn't belong, and even Mocha Java fell asleep at her guard post.

The mouse had a small, happy dream that he was home again with his family and friends. Terramuggus dreamed that he could talk, just like people, and that he was out in the yard with everyone, talking and chasing sticks.

Mocha Java had an unusual dream. She remembered the lonely Chi Lin, deep in the Carmanah forest, and she dreamed that a thousand mystical Chi Lins

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rode into Bamfield with Santa Claus. Some were riding on Santa's sleigh, some were riding on Santa's pack, some were helping the reindeer pull the sleigh and some were prancing in circles around the full moon as Santa rode under it. The whole night sky was filled with the golden glow of the thousand Chi Lins, and the kindness that they carried so lightly sparkled and fell like mist into the hearts of all the Lapcats sleeping in Bamfield. It was a wonderful dream, and Mocha purred in her sleep.

Suddenly there was laughter, and running and screaming too. The children were up! They found the bone and scared the mouse and hugged the dog and cat. It was a glorious Christmas morning!

Deep in the Carmanah forest, the Chi Lin awakened. She looked out from her bed under the trees and what do you think she saw?

A thousand Chi Lins! Brought to Vancouver Island by Santa in Mocha Java's dream.

The Chi Lins will always be here now, to keep the first Chi Lin from being lonely. They live deep in the Carmanah forest, and are never seen by anyone, except perhaps Mocha Java and other

partly Siamese cats. Their magic is felt occasionally, by people who wander into the forest and feel the kindness in a warm shaft of sunlight.

If you are ever camping in the woods on Christmas eve, and look up into the cold night sky, you may hear a tinkling of bells, and a faint voice crying, "On Dasher, on Dancer, on Prancer and Vixen!" If you look closely at the ring around the moon, you may see a golden glow as the first Chi Lin leads the thousand Chi Lins up and around Santa's sleigh, then up, up and around the Christmas moon. If you sit very still, you may feel the kindness that they carry so lightly sparkle and fall like mist into your heart.



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**Documentary Myth
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**Writer/Director: HANNELORE
Producer: KAREN LEE**

1988 was The Year of the Dragon.

A British Columbia Kite Team represented Canada at the International Kite Festival in Weifang, Shandong Province, China.

Documentary footage from China and the Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia, is linked by the voice of the Mythical Dragon in the video **Dragonlines**.

The Western Dragonkite travels from the North American West Coast to rise over Tian An Men Square in Beijing.

The Dragon, unencumbered by human concept of time, reflects on echoes from the past, remembering the sounds of ancient Chinese Civilization through the melodies of the ancient Pipa, the sounds of the Cultural Revolution through the words of Chairman Mao.

The success of the British Columbia Kite Team is woven into a glimpse of contemporary China emphasizing communication and cooperation between peoples from East and West.

This film, written and directed by Hannelore, a woman well known by many in Bamfield, will be shown on CBC the evening of December 25 at 6:30 p.m. Don't miss it!



REGIONAL DISTRICT REPORT

by
Al Benton, Reg. Director

The major item of interest this month is that old favourite – Garbage. I have been able to convince the Regional Board that we be allowed to truck our garbage to Port Alberni. Now we have to establish a site for a Transfer Station.

I have asked Jim Ferris to set up a Community Affairs Meeting for Monday, December 18, and I will try to have John Hornquist from the Regional District here. John supervises both the Alberni Valley Landfill and the West Coast Landfill for the Regional District. The plan is to ask for tenders on a five year term to construct the Transfer Station and to provide the hauling service. It is also likely that we will initiate some recycling, at least for glass and paper. Financially, the project looks feasible as long as we can get financial contributions from the Ohiat Band, the Marine Station, Parks Canada, MOT and Small

Crafts Harbours. I'll have more details on the 18th.

On page 23 in this paper you will find an article on the Community Pride Project which is scheduled for February. I must admit to being a bit cynical as to how effective it will be, but it is your input which will determine whether it works or not. I urge you all to get out and participate in the program. There are an increasing number of problems which are facing our community and must be solved somehow.

As this is my last column of the year, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I hope the 1990's will be a happy and prosperous time for both you as individuals and the Community of Bamfield.



BAMFIELD CENTENNIAL PARK REPORT

by
Eileen Scott

Clearing of one acre in the park was done in 1985. At that time we did not have the necessary funds to clear away all the debris and logs that had been pushed off to the sides and finish the job properly. In 1988 this was accomplished and a drainage ditch was put in and by 1989 we were in a position to go ahead and install playground equipment. Two gazebo's were built in the summer of 1987. We added a chimney to one and roofed the other with shingles. The logs that were cleared from the park were dumped and pushed over the edge of the area down below. It was then graded and gravelled and used as an additional camping area. The residential parking area was also enlarged and graded. This is used by Grappler residents and they pay a fee of \$25 a year. We are still maintaining the pit toilets that have been

there for many years. This situation is becoming a problem in the summer and especially now that we have the children's playground. We hope to have it remedied by next year.

In 1987 we applied for and received a lottery grant. They pay one third of the cost of any approved project. Our grant was for \$5,683. This was paid to us in instalments, one for \$2,841 when half of our project was completed and the balance when the playground equipment was installed. All donated labour, equipment and materials used were counted as money earned. Unskilled labour was credited at \$8/hour and skilled labour at \$16/hour. Our final total under that category came to \$9,604. We raised \$6,664.38 from camping and parking fees, raffles, dances, regal sales etc. Donations from B.C. Telephone, the Chamber of Commerce, MacMillan Bloedel, the Bamfield Community Hall and some private individuals amounted to \$1,227.51. The cost of land clearing was \$9,080 and the Playground equipment cost \$9,470.68.

There are no outstanding debts and the bank balance stands at \$1,840.

For the coming year we want to add six more picnic tables and install two more pieces of playground equipment, the teeter totter and the spring elephant. We have these two items here in Bamfield and they have been paid for. Sand has to be put under the playground area and the rest of the park needs to be raked and grassed. We have the grass seed and that is also paid for. we would like to bulldoze out a few more camping sites along the bottom road. This would improve the area and make it a lot easier for the collector. The original Bamfield Centennial Park sign that was carved by Nelson Duncan is to be moved to the entrance of the park where it can be seen.

Public flush toilets should be installed. These could be built from blocks and have a central drain for easy cleaning with a hose. We would also incorporate a storage shed for park equipment. We have two sources that we could turn to for grants but first we must come up with an estimate for this

project and then we will apply and see how we make out. We will try the Lottery again.

The West side lots for parkland are still in the survey stage. We understand that we will be getting this property, but we have to pay for the survey which will be \$3000. Bruce Scott at one time promised \$1000.00 towards this and we will be receiving \$1000 from the Finance Committee.

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