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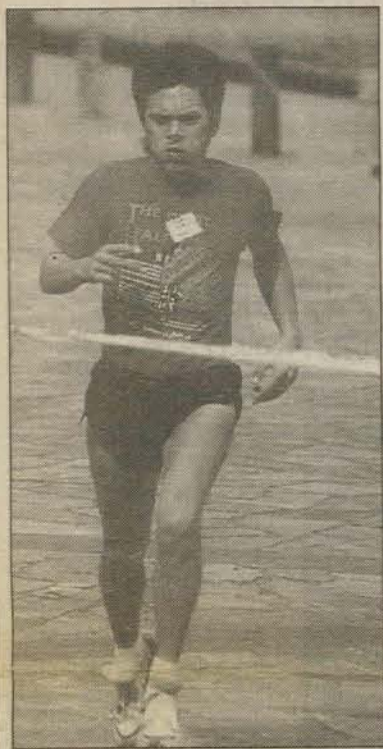
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False Creek Pendelakon IX

Ninth Annual Report of the prestigious 10K Foot Race

The Winners



Men's Winner
Rick Arikado



Women's Winner
Lynn Thomas

MEN

RICK ARIKADO 36:12
RANDY FINALEY 36:40
DOUG SHACKLES 37:55

WOMEN

LYNN THOMAS 44:34
DI COATES 44:50
KAREN HIRSCHMILLER 49:32

Honourable Walker COURTNEY VINEY

It was a black humoured wag who suggested that the ebon hue of the normally red Pendelakon shirt made for a somewhat premature memorial edition for traditional race marshall **Bill Landstrom**, recently returned to us from a brush with a major league illness that the plucky lad has finally beaten. (The manufacturers could not change the colour of the shirts but managed to delete the slogan "SO LONG BILL"!)

The Gentlemen of the Pendelakon were indeed happy to see their Route Marshal back, wielding his pistol from his motorized go-kart, assisted by the noble **Peter Fairleigh**.



Timekeeper
Peter Fairleigh



Race Marshall
Bill Landstrom

In a fierce field, **Rick Arikado** successfully defended his championship and **Lynn Thomas**, who has been flirting with place positions, finally brought home the laurels this year in the Women's category.

Major improvement was noted in a number of performances.

John ("If you can't run and talk you're running too fast) **Lyons**, **Steve Murphy**, **Laverne Jordon** and **Kitsilano** basketball's own **Reese Malarcher**.

Youngest runners, **Martin Skala** and **Jacob Hutton** finished the course in a cool 48:11.

Stamps Landing Neighbourhood Pub did everyone proud at the finish: juice, fruit, muffins--the works. Co-ordinator **Jacque Fitzpatrick** herself found time to run a creditable race, even after the rigours of her night-time travail.



An interesting footnote to this year's event.

Our very own Creek Editor and longtime Pendelakon Patron, **Beryl Wilson**, took time out on her recent pilgrimage to Greece to investigate the legend of the Pendelakon. While she could not find the actual town (where Egbert stopped off on his 490 B.C. run from Marathon, and whose wisdom we celebrate each year), she did meet a bus driver who remembered seeing the legendary signpost. And if a Greek bus driver remembers a turnoff, as my daddy used to say, can his friends be far behind?

Remember next year is the Big Tenth--**PENDELAKON X**, a legend in the making. And what plans we have for it.

Bullus Hutton

It's a Small World



To the Stamps Landing Pub patrons who have been wondering how their recently departed barmaids **Terry Grant** and **Laura Parker** are faring on their European odyssey, the Creek Editor can report they are as perky as ever.

Ambling around the spacious decks and lounges of a Greek Island ferry, travelling from Crete to Santorini, your C.E. was hailed by Terry:

"You're from Canada aren't you? I know you.

You put my picture on the front page of *The Creek* after last year's Pendelakon."

With that we spent the rest of the journey drinking beer.

After a week's not-too-lucrative barmaiding in a small town on Crete they were looking for greener pastures, along with two equally lively young Australian girls.

It's not hard to fall in love with Santorini. By the next day they all declared they'd found their nirvana and hoped to settle in for a few months, find work and replenish the coffers.

They send Greetings to everyone.



CANADA DAY

CANCELLED

At least in False Creek

It's ironic that in Canada's big 125th year, when the Feds are spending \$illions to encourage National Neighbourliness and Participation, the July 1st celebrations in False Creek have bitten the dust.

Rick Taylor, who nobly did his bit for neighbourliness by undertaking the organisation for three consecutive years, no longer lives in the area.

And he did serve FINAL NOTICE that 1991 would be his swan song.

As is all too often the case, everybody waited for "Joe to do it"--and for the first time since 1976, Joe didn't show up.

It looks as though False Creek's annual get-together has gone into the history books. But it was a lot of fun while it lasted

You can spend the day at Canada Place with neighbours from all around the Lower Mainland--or simply gather together in our park for an informal picnic and a nostalgic look through your photo albums.

Editor



Beryl Wilson

dropped holiday luggage in a heap and promptly swept fat, Barney up for the good cat cuddles she'd missed.

It's wonderful to be away for six-and-a-half weeks, and one of the best parts was having a month of NOT doing The Creek paper.

The burning question on everyone's mind (apart from the Constitutional Crisis, still not settled when we returned--surprise!

Will I write an article about the holiday? That answer is a definite maybe. The anecdotes, tips to travellers, suggestions for events to catch, are plentiful enough.

If other Creek readers HAVE written pieces about their holidays the Editor would be glad to receive them.

Meantime, the short report is the Greek Islands are as picturesque, and the sea as turquoise, as all the pictures you've seen.

WILL YOU BE THE NEXT?

Let's do something about the seawall accidents now!

Like most people, I have not really given much thought to the frequent accidents between cyclists and pedestrians on the False Creek seawall.

Sure I have had a few close calls myself (mostly when cyclists have sped down from the overpass) but nothing serious has happened.

That is, until one accident hit home.

I was called down to the seawall three weeks ago to see my wife being sped off in an ambulance.

She had a severe concussion and still experiences dizzy spells every day.

She had been walking our Cairn terrier on the correct side of the seawall when she was hit by a cyclist. He claimed that he had been "going very slowly, really" but emergency personnel in attendance were of a different opinion.

Whatever the speed the cyclist had been going it was too fast to avoid a very unnecessary accident. Unfortunately there will be more accidents as the seawall becomes increasingly popular.

We have got to do something now.

First of all: Let's not ban cyclists from the seawall, but make it easier for them by creating a separate cycle lane. In parts of the park area it could be an entirely separate entity,

but where there is no room it would have to be a clearly defined separation. It doesn't have to be an ugly yellow line; a series of more aesthetically pleasing metal squares placed at regular intervals would suffice.

Secondly, there should be clear painted symbols and occasional checks by Vancouver's cycling policemen. With a quick, dedicated bike lane along the seawall (and one overpass access) cycles should be banned from other lanes and grass areas.

Bikers would be happy and a lot of people who are now scared to walk on the seawall would return.

It's a win-win situation, so let's just do it.

Anders Neumueller

And another letter about Biking Boors

It is bad enough trying to enjoy a stroll along the Creek seawall these springs days with all the b...y racing cyclists that are emerging again, but now they are invading the whole area.

Take the upper route over the little bridge to escape them--and there they are tearing along like mad creatures.

Wander over the grassy fields--and there they come, belting across the green turf.

Contending with bikers on the seawall is distressing enough, but for heaven's sake, let us poor pedestrians, with our little grandchildren and 4-legged pets have SOMEWHERE SAFE to stroll. How about a few NO CYCLING notices.

Furthermore, very few bikers have lights. Walking along the seawall at dusk last week I was very nearly run down by a light-less barrelling biker. Maybe City Hall could issue illuminated back packs to protect pedestrians.

R. Marshall

Your equally angry Editor doesn't have any ready solutions. We don't want to ban bikes altogether. Most of us residents ride ours--carefully of course--as we go about our daily business.

This is the pertinent time to quote from a old newspaper clipping.

In a letter to the WEST ENDER (June 21, 1990) Alderman Gordon Price, writing about the infamous (our word!) Seaside Bicycle Route said, in part

"There is as much a need to separate the fast cyclist from the slow cyclist as there is to

separate the bicycle from the automobile and the pedestrian. Most of the route will achieve that separation, particularly along the south shore of False Creek, where fast cyclists will be directed to Moberley Road."

It's hard to know what good this wisdom does us when the people we are desperate to banish: (i) probably didn't see The Message in the West Ender Letters column; (ii) don't see the pathetic signs, or (iii) do and ignore them.

Modest help may be at hand as our healthy looking COPS ON BIKES are visible on the seawall this summer.

There are seven and several have been assigned to patrol Kitsilano Beach and False Creek.

At the POLICE COMMUNITY FORUM held at the Community Centre on June 11, it was not surprising that the most comments to the Police staff in attendance were on this topic.

We were told the Bike Police are empowered to halt and ticket cyclists they perceive to be cycling in an unsafe manner.

We must hope they perceive cycling across the path to be 'unsafe' and that later in the year The Creek can report a substantial number of tickets issued.

The meeting was NOT well attended. Citizens only outnumbered the police by 3 to 1--28 Concerned Citizens and 9 Policemen.

When the new Police Chief, William Marshall, was appointed in 1991, not only were the popular Cops on Bikes swiftly introduced (firmly resisted by his pre-decessor), the Police Department also set about developing a new attitude.

The times have gone when policemen walking the beat knew everyone in the community and were known by everyone. Nevertheless there is now an active program to develop closer connections to neighbourhoods and a greater effort to serve them according to their needs.

Startling Statistics

20 operators staff the 911 lines, handling calls for EVERYTHING for all of the Lower Mainland. Average number of 'calls despatched' PER SHIFT: 50. (They despatch an officer first and ask questions while he's on his way.) 40,000--50,000 accidents PER YEAR. Traffic & Patrol issue 200,000 tickets and investigate 4000 Hit & Runs PER YEAR.

70% of break-ins occur in daytime. Less than 2% when residents are in. AUTO THEFTS in Cambie-Granville-False Creek-16th Ave: 100 PER WEEK.

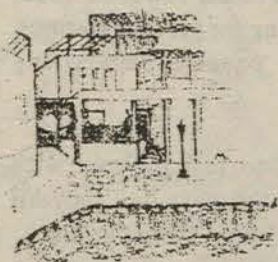
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on the False Creek Seawall



The Lady in Disguise?

None other than Writer's Festival Producer Alma Lee.



Any festival producer will tell you organising them takes STAMINA as well as enthusiasm and commitment.

As the tempo of work for the fall festival heats up Alma has set about building up her stamina. Equipped with a sturdy bike and the proper togs she has taken to cycling to her Granville Island office from Cambie & 22nd Ave. - and BACK again up a steeeeep hill.

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To My Darling Husband

I am sending you this letter via this BBS communications thing, so that you will be sure to read it.

Please forgive the deception, but I thought you should know what has been going on at home since your computer entered our lives TWO YEARS AGO.

The children are doing well. Tommy is seven now and is a bright, handsome boy. He has developed quite an interest in the arts. He drew a family portrait for a school project; all the figures were good, and the back of your head is very realistic. You should be very proud of him.

Little Jennifer turned three in September. She looks a lot like you did at that age. She is an attractive child and quite smart. She still remembers that you spent the whole afternoon with us on her birthday. What a grand day for Jenny, despite the fact that it was stormy and the electricity was out.

I am doing well. I went blonde about a year ago, and discovered that it really is more fun! George, I mean Mr. Wilson, the department head,

has--uh--taken an interest in my career and has become a good friend to us all.

I discovered that the household chores are much easier since I realised you don't mind being vacuumed, but that feather dusting made you sneeze. The house is in good shape. I had the living room painted last spring; I'm sure you noticed it. I made sure the painters cut holes in the drop sheet so you wouldn't be disturbed.

Well, my dear, I must be going. Uncle George--uh--Mr. Wilson, I mean, is taking us all on a ski trip and there is packing to do.

I have hired a housekeeper to take care of things while we are away. She'll keep things in order; fill your coffee cup and bring your meals to your desk, just the way you like it.

I hope you and the computer will have a lovely time while we are gone. Tommy, Jenny and I will think of you often.

Try to remember us while your disks are booting.

Love,
Karen

Blooms by Bike to your doorstep 'Petals on Pedals'

The perfect name for a company that delivers blooms to your door (or office desk) by bike. It's the brainchild of a neighbour, Hal Gunn and since its launch in March the enterprise has been blooming. It had several hundred customers within the first two months, many in the same office buildings. The "I want some too" orders come in rapidly after the first fresh bouquet is spotted on a colleagues' desk.

First things first-- the price. An astonishingly low \$5.55 per week (all taxes and delivery included) which is about the same price as the delivery charge alone when the florist sends them.

Most cut flowers look good for 5 to 7 days and often those you buy are already 2 -- 3 days old. The flowers you buy on Sunday were probably bought from the grower on Friday (likely cut on Thursday). PETALS delivers them from grower to customer in such a short time span they could only be fresher if the Petals people went out to cut the blooms themselves.



Nikki Roe pedals along the False Creek seawall delivering fresh blooms to the door

Ed Philpott photo

Before anyone screams "Where's her helmet?" it was on the sidewalk, not spoiling the picture

How? Manager Nikki Roe is at the Growers' Flower Auction house in Burnaby at an ungodly hour, before 6 a.m., where she buys, directly from the best growers, the best pick of the day for quality and price. By 9 a.m. Petals' delivery staff have their day's route list, flowers loaded in bike carriers and are on their way.

Monday deliveries are mostly to businesses so their flowers are fresh for the work week. **Thursday** is mostly home delivery ensuring them fresh for the weekend.

The motto is "Quality Flowers with Quality Service". To that end they buy only enough to fill the day's orders and never buy flowers at the end of their natural season. Hal Gunn levelled off after the first few hundred customers to ensure the delivery system's nuts and bolts were tight, and will do so again periodically to prevent too-rapid growth jeopardising that integrity.

I love this feature:

Petals Pedalers carry a wicker basket with plastic bags, ties and a water bottle in it. If the customer hasn't left a container of water outside the door (many do) the

And customers evidently enjoy the surprise factor. Last week it was exquisite small roses; in preceding weeks there had been alstroemeria, gladioli, gerbera and lilies--whatever is best of the day.

Owner Hal Gunn has long fancied creating a small business but he's actually a doctor by day (at U.B.C.'s Student Health Services). Thus it's not surprising he's done research on 'preventative health care' and provides a 'prescription' with the first order on the Care of Cut Flowers.* Each weekly order also includes an information slip on the specific bloom, and a packet of floral preservative of nutrients and antibacterials.

PETALS on PEDALS (which currently employs five university students) should surely blossom around False Creek and Fairview Slopes. People will appreciate a company that does Business by Bike and not everyone has time to trot to the market for flowers every week.

* (e.g. You've wondered why the tulips droop and wither when combined in a lovely arrangement with daffodils? Each time daffodil stems are sliced they exude a sap which does in the tulips.)

Beryl Wilson

P.S. There are only three flower auction houses in Canada - Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver. Buyers come here from as far away as Alberta and Oregon and Washington.

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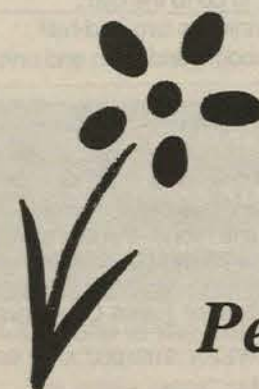

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C.B.C. Radio's noon-time program, ALMANAC is 'goin' on the road' on several Thursdays this summer. On June 18 hosts Lucy McNeill and Gordon Hunt brought the show to Granville Island to kick off the Jazz Festival. The Market Courtyard was packed, as it always is for the noon hour entertainments. CMHC Granville Island sponsors frequently throughout the summer.

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(lt. to rt.) Diane Stapley, Laurie Murdoch and Ruth Nichol. There's one person missing from the picture-- Snndy Winsby. The four of them make up the cast for

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Norman Browning is well cast as the harassed general manager of the Cleveland Grand Opera.

Who wouldn't be harassed with the Opening Gala imminent, hundreds of pounds of shrimp mayonnaise mushing in a broken down refrigerator and an absent tenor.

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Church Bulletins

(contributed by a faithful Fairview Slopes reader and reputedly taken from actual church bulletins)

This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north end of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.

.....
Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. there will be a nice-cream social. All ladies giving milk, please come early.

.....
Wednesday, the Ladies' Liturgy Society will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing "Put Me in My Little Bed" accompanied by the pastor.

.....
Thursday at 5:00 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All those wishing to become Little Mothers, please meet the minister in his study.

.....
This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Johnson to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.

Services will close with "Little Drops of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly, and then the rest will join in.

.....
On Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the expenses of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet, please come forward and get a piece of paper.

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement on Friday afternoons.

.....
The rosebud on the altar this morning is to announce the birth of David Allen Belser, the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belster.

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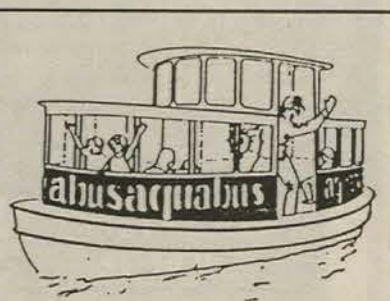
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PASTA, PLEASE

Why is so much more pasta eaten today than a few years ago?

When a Vancouver magazine columnist asked me such a question recently it prompted me to think about not only the current revival of interest in pasta but also about its past.

Pasta's Past

Marco Polo, that young Venetian explorer and adventurer brought back from China to his homeland the idea of noodle type dishes. Some people say it was only a different form of pasta from that already known in Italy that Marco Polo introduced.

Chinese records dating back to 5000 B.C. indicate the eating of noodles. The invention of ravioli is attributed to the Jews. It seems that pasta in many different forms developed independently among different peoples.

We read that pasta was popular in England in the Middle Ages. It was not until the late 1700s, however, that pasta was introduced into the United States, with the first American pasta factory opening in New York in 1848. With the arrival of immigrants from pasta eating cultures in the 20th century pasta became a familiar food. Many of us grew up with two old favourites--macaroni and cheese, and spaghetti with tomato sauce.

Healthy Pasta

Now enters the "healthy eating" message, with the emphasis on complex carbohydrates like pasta, rice, potatoes, breads and cereals, as well as fruits and vegetables. Fats and fatty foods, on the other hand, are de-emphasized. The so-called lighter, healthier way of eating is born and pasta rises triumphant.

You do have to be a bit careful there, though, because the North American way of serving pasta in rich, fat-laden sauces of cream, butter and cheese, as in Fettucine Alfredo, is neither desirable nor necessary.

In Anne Lindsay's wonderful publications: "Lighthearted Everyday Cooking" and "The Lighthearted Cookbook" (watch for sales), you'll find a myriad of tempting low fat sauces and salad dressings for pasta to please the most fastidious palate.

Pasta for Sports

High complex carbo pasta is a natural energizer for athletes. No wonder sports nutrition experts have jumped on the pasta bandwagon. Recommended at any time but in particular for the pre-game meal. After all, you don't want fat as it slows digestion and too much protein is dehydrating. The traditional steak dinner before a game is OUT; pasta is IN.

Cheap and Easy

Pasta has other pluses, like cost. Compare the cost of a pasta dinner to one highlighting meat, fish or chicken, and pasta comes out the winner. We're talking here about dried pasta. Fresh pasta is a different story as it is costly, and what's more, according to the food authority James Beard, it is far inferior to the dried variety. Dried pasta is a true convenience food as it can be stored a long time without loss of quality. Be careful not to overcook it (have the sauce already prepared), drain immediately--no need to rinse unless using it for a salad.

Variety

There are at least 80 different lengths, shapes and widths, apart from the various flours, colours, vegetables, herbs and spices sometimes used. Treat yourself to a pasta adventure in any of the Italian shops on Commercial Drive.

Weight Reducer

How about that! Pasta is even promoted as a weight-reducer. It's the rich sauces that do you in, so go for the light sauces and you've joined the trendy pasta bunch.

Trends

As an interesting sidelight, "eating out" statistics show that Chinese and Italian foods eaten out far outranked other ethnic foods chosen in Canada in 1989. (Food Service & Hospitality Magazine, January, 1991).



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Getting there requires catching two B.C. ferries and a water taxi.

There are few facilities: the Mad Hatter Cafe, with a limited menu, is better known for pub nights, and Rosemary Primrose operates her store out of her garden shed. There are deer, eagles and hummingbirds, but nothing that can hurt you.

Rick's Summer Job

"White sand beaches, warm clean ocean, sunshine, no mosquitos, just a hundred miles North of Vancouver--Savary Island, a Mediterranean freak off the coast of B.C."

So they told me, and here was I, gullible fool, camping on the beach, in a leaky tent with my wife Blue and one year-old Petra, trying to build a fire in a rainstorm.

That was when I met Bill Palfrey. He emerged from an aluminum dinghy, strode toward me, and using the technique that made this country what it is, offered me whiskey to share my campfire.

Rough beach landings were nothing new to Bill. He had practised at Normandy, going on to liberate Amsterdam single-handedly (he always had a Heinekin in the other).

The bottle dry and the fire low, Bill walked off into the night. I cursed him for having a warm cabin to go to and retired to my damp sleeping bag.

The next morning the rain laden clouds had cleared. Walking down

the beach I came across Ken, Bill's 14 year-old son, hanging his sleeping bag out to dry. Warm cabin? They didn't even have a tent!

But Bill did know that the hotel along the beach served a hot breakfast. So Blue and I, packing Petra, with Bill, Ken and Sidney, his ever faithless beagle, all headed to Indian Point for oatmeal, bacon and eggs and lots of coffee by the fireplace.

Fourteen summers have passed since then. The hotel was long since demolished though still the occasional yachtsman, chart in hand, wades ashore looking for the bell hop. Now you can get a bite to eat at the Mad Hatter, where Bill the Bard of Savary is known to recite his works on Pub Night.

Blue and I built a cabin, in which she gave birth to Mitzi. Mitzi and Petra will be hanging out at the

government wharf for much of the summer.

Bill has a cabin, an office, a hen-house, and a fax machine that works when he fires up his generator. He retired from Real Estate in Victoria to dabble on Savary Island and take up a hobby. (He bought a portable sawmill powered by a V.W. engine.)

There have been summer months when it all came true--white sand, warm water, no bugs, a warm wind at night off the mainland.

And times I have cursed the Lund water taxi, B.C. Ferries and Canadian Immigration for letting me near the place.

Bill says he could use me up there to handle the real estate business and I can't think of a better way to spend the summer--so I'm going.

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New Firehall and Branch Library Celebrate Official Opening

Saturday, June 27

The Fire Fighters' Band will play from 1:30 p.m.

Mayor Gordon Campbell will 'ax' the traditional ribbon at 2:00 p.m. and after the necessary official ceremonies are over, everyone is invited to tour the facilities.

This is your chance to see where and how fire fighters live on the job.

The FIRE SAFETY HOUSE will be on hand, along with 'Smokey', the Fire Department's dalmation dog.

Meeks the clown will entertain the young at heart at 3:00 p.m. in the library.

The new Branch Library is three times larger than the one which has

been gradually bursting at the seams, in the basement of the Toronto Dominion Bank at Granville/12th Ave. since 1975.

It started with 8000 hard covers, 3000 paperbacks and 75 periodicals. The new branch has 39,000 items.

It had a 42% increase in children's programs last year and now has a waiting list for the Storytime for under two year-olds.

Yes, we'll always miss our beloved old Book Bus but, alas, times change. If you haven't already been in since the new branch opened its doors in early May, walk up and join the festivities.



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Spot their canopy-style tents on the green behind Isadora's and the Water Park. See you there.
Friday, July 3 & Saturday, July 4 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 5 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

POINTS TO PONDER

Just about the time you think you can make ends meet -- somebody moves the ends.

A good friend is one who remembers your birthday but forgets your age

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.

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Session 3: Aug. 10 & 17 MON. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. \$12/2 weeks
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Join leader Ken Birchell and enjoy some popular hiking spots this summer. For these trips, hiking boots or sturdy walking shoes are recommended. Please bring a full lunch, plus a snack and water bottle, and dress appropriately for the weather. Unless otherwise specified, Ken will contact each participant to arrange a carpool. Medical forms are available when registering.

DIAMOND HEAD (Teen/Adult) **SATURDAY, July 11**
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RICE LAKE (Family -- ages 8 yrs. and up) **SATURDAY, July 25**
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Seniors' Scene

by Marge LeGresley

WELCOME BACK to our irreplaceable Editor. We hope her well deserved vacation was perfect in every way.

At our meeting on June 10 (the last for the summer) plans were made for future outings:

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

B.B.Q. at Jean's cottage in Point Roberts. Bus leaves the Centre at 10 a.m.

SAT./SUN. SEPTEMBER 12/13 WHISTLER TRIP - Fairways Hotel and Resort.

These dates also coincide with the Alpine Wine Festival atop Whistler mountain.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 BOAT TRIP

to Belcarra Park/Deep Cove. Depart False Creek 10 a.m. Cost: \$26.75. Lunch and goodies included.

Jean reported on the success of the 1992 SENIORS' STRUT in Burnaby on June 4. It was the best yet. Only eight loyal members turned up but others made contributions which will boost our funds.

The big event this month was our Spring Banquet at Frank Baker's

Restaurant on June 11. The 24 members and friends who attended enjoyed the good company, excellent food and welcome prizes. The winners of the Carpet Bowling Trophy were duly honoured and we are looking forward to seeing the many pictures taken.

The activities continuing through the summer will be Bridge and Cards on Mondays and Carpet Bowling on Tuesdays and Fridays

Cindy Schindel is presently preparing the Centre's Fall Program and would welcome your suggestions for Seniors' courses.

In this connection, we are concerned that with over 100 'Senior' memberships recorded, so few of us are actively involved in existing programs. Several suggestions were made for ways to contact the 'invisible majority' but the best solution is by personal contact. So spread the word that we are a friendly group, anxious to welcome members who are registered but not participating.

We extend our condolences to **Peggy Gordon** whose husband Bob passed away recently, and **Get Well** wishes to **Betty Carson** for a speedy and complete recovery from recent surgery.

Best wishes to you all for a wonderful summer season.

FITNESS CLASSES & WEIGHTROOM

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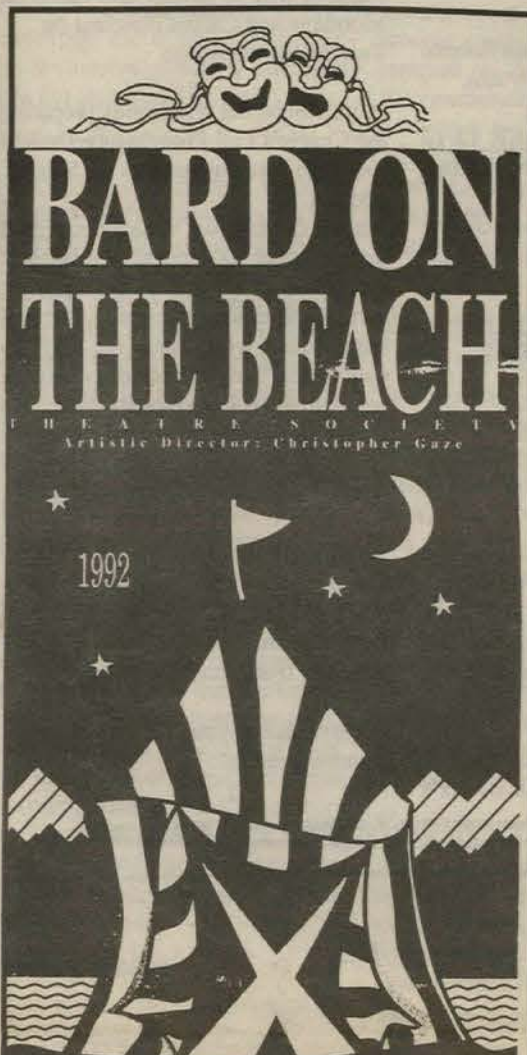
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