

BROCK
HOUSE
Society

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, March 25th, 2020

@ 1:00pm

In the Conservatory

All of the very best to you,
Joanne



Thank you Joanne Enns for your integrity, fairness, compassion, insights, candor, and tremendous efforts. It's been a real pleasure working with you and we'll miss you. Sincerely ... - Ed.

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Mardi Gras

Thursday, March 26th

1:30 to 3:15pm

in the Conservatory

Come enjoy some special cajun treats by Kaz and bring your dancing shoes if you'd like to take a spin on the dance floor. Wear your Mardi Gras colours proudly—green, gold and purple. The Brock House Jazz Band will entertain us with some foot-tapping New Orleans tunes!

MEMBERS \$17 | MEMBER GUESTS \$20

Where Seniors Stay *Young*

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From the President's Pen

Seasonal change has been a theme in many of my previous President's Pens and I want to again use it as an allegory for potential positive change. By this I mean that we are leaving a very turbulent winter, of increased rain and dismal days when one's mood is sometimes rather gloomy. However, we can now look forward to an approaching spring that promises better weather, a more positive approach to outdoor activities and a sense of unbridled optimism for the rest of the year's events.

Upon review, I think I can aptly apply this allegory to the recent events that have occurred at BHS over the past month. First, we have the resignation of our Administrator, Joanne Enns, who will leave us on March 27. This situation requires a flurry of activity in order to maintain a smooth transition and sense of continuity of service, into April, as we search for a replacement.

The other rather jarring events, which have occurred recently, are the 2 floods in the basement. This has caused all kinds of expensive disruptions, involving the clean up and new repairs and building maintenance required, as well as the rescheduling of the programs usually held down there.

I think we have to view both of these situations as challenges to our resolve and ability to meet the demands presented to us in operating a Non Profit Society in a 108 years old Heritage building, along with a cautious sense of optimism towards the potential for change, growth and renewal.

The other immediate event ahead of us is the selection of a new Executive and Board of Directors. This will be presented to you at the upcoming **AGM on March 25**. By this time, a new part-time administrative assistant position will hopefully be filled. This new person will then have to be oriented to the operational systems of the office and BHS.

So, with all the upcoming changes ahead of us, I would ask that you please be patient. Just like the waiting period required for a positive change in the weather, I ask you to place trust in the fact that better times will be coming again soon, just like the return of the much anticipated sunny and warm days of Spring.

In the meantime, we have some great programs and events planned for you.

These include:

- **Daddio and the Gran Koolios**...origins of early Rock n' Roll March 3
- **Meet'n Greet** hosted by Sheila Resels March 10
- A very timely **Tax info Session** part of Senior Services March 18
- And let your hair down in time for **Mardi Gras** on March 26

All designed to help you welcome in the start of spring..... Enjoy.

-Peter Phillips, President



Sing-A-Long

Brighten your day; leave your worries on the doorstep; come on over to the sunny side and sing along or swing along with the Brock House Society's gleeful senior songsters on Monday afternoons. A non-threatening social setting, we hope this fun environment will improve your sense of joy and overall well-being. Join us every Monday afternoon!

The Conservatory | Mondays 1:30-3:00pm

Art Group Cards

The card rack in the office has been restocked, several new spring images have been added. Here are a few examples:



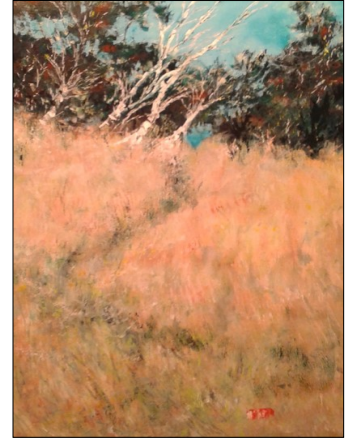
"Crocuses" by Robin O'Brien



"Rhododendron Woods" by Ian Carter



"Into the Sunset" by Tessa Wilson



"Steveston Hillside" by Michael Barley

Same great price: \$3.00 each or 4 cards for \$10.00. All cards are blank inside. Come soon for the best selection. Thank you to the artists for sharing their beautiful work,

-Gillian Olson, Art Group Convenor

The Brock House/Kerrisdale Choir



Brock House Choir performed January 26 to a good crowd. The music was fun to sing and lively and fun to hear. The concert left everyone in an enthusiastic, responsive mood.

The choir is now hard at work again preparing for a concert (despite being snowed out twice) on **June 7, 2020**. We welcomed four new members this term, one alto, two basses and one tenor.

This is how Elsie Stephens our Brock House Choir director decided on the pieces we are practicing for our concert in June. It all began with Beethoven. He was born 250 years ago this year and many musical groups are paying homage to him in honor of his genius. In a nod to Beethoven

Elsie decided to chose two of his pieces for us to sing. When she had two songs by Beethoven she thought, why not have two of everything? So we do! Two Beethoven, two folk songs, two French songs, two gospel and so on. You can expect much variety in rhythm and mood in our next concert.

-Judy Ashton

Introduction to Lawn Bowling

Did you know that Sir Walter Raleigh would not deal with the Spanish Armada until he finished his game of lawn bowls? And that Henry the VIII was a huge fan of "bowls"?

Not surprising, then, that over the last five years more and more Brock House members have become avid followers of this sport!

Sort of like "curling on grass", lawn bowling is suitable for all ages and all ability levels. Although always a social game, It can be relaxed and casual or super competitive...take your pick!

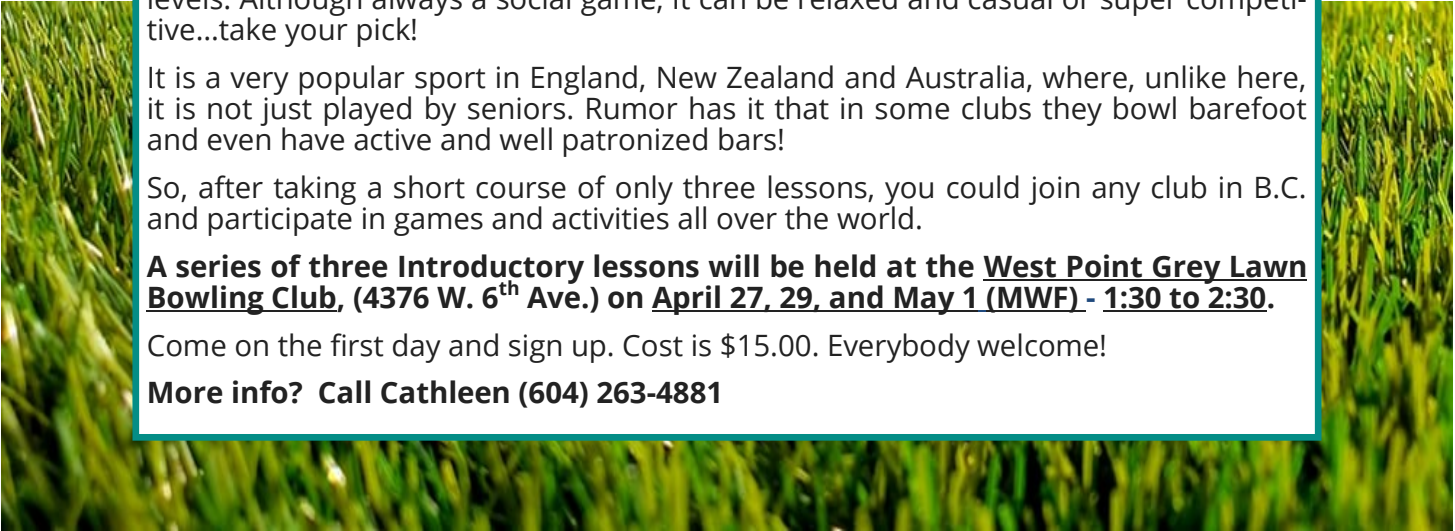
It is a very popular sport in England, New Zealand and Australia, where, unlike here, it is not just played by seniors. Rumor has it that in some clubs they bowl barefoot and even have active and well patronized bars!

So, after taking a short course of only three lessons, you could join any club in B.C. and participate in games and activities all over the world.

A series of three Introductory lessons will be held at the West Point Grey Lawn Bowling Club, (4376 W. 6th Ave.) on April 27, 29, and May 1 (MWF) - 1:30 to 2:30.

Come on the first day and sign up. Cost is \$15.00. Everybody welcome!

More info? Call Cathleen (604) 263-4881



We all know how good it feels to be given a warm welcome when we start something new. With that in mind, we invite you to our upcoming informal Meet'n Greet to introduce you to other new members. **Join us on Tuesday, March 10, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the Art Room** where you'll be greeted with cookies, coffee/tea and some friendly folks. Please contact me at sresels@gmail.com to register (as space is limited) or contact the office at 604.228.1461 for further information.

*Meet'n Greet are held every two months. They are small informal gatherings over a cuppa tea and cookies in the Art Room. Not to be confused with our New Member Receptions which occur three times/year in the Conservatory.

-Sheila Resels, Membership Committee

Brock House/Kerrisdale Handbell Ringers



The Brock House/Kerrisdale Handbell Ringers are practising for various spring concerts. Open to all is the

**Annual Spring Concert
at Kerrisdale Seniors Centre
on Sunday, April 26, at 2 p.m.**

Admission is by donation. We are also performing at Crofton Manor, Chalmers Lodge and Arbutus Manor in April.

*-Jean Peggie, President,
Handbell Ringers*



Brock House Restaurant

Restaurant Hours

Join us Wednesday - Sunday Evenings
from 5:30 p.m. onwards

or on

Sundays between 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
for Brunch

*****Private events may affect regular restaurant hours. Reservations required.*****

Member's Discount

30% off of dinner for all Brock House Society Members

discount can **only be used at dinner**

Upcoming Event



Easter Brunch Buffet Adults \$46.00/Kids 4 -10 yrs. \$22.00
Sunday, April 12, 2020



Please visit our website to view all our Menus:

www.brockhouserestaurant.com

Reservations: 604-224-3317 or catering@brockhouserestaurant.com

*****RESERVE YOUR TABLE NOW!*****

Brock House Chess Players

The Brock House chess players meet every **Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Meyer Room.**

On Tuesdays those who wish may continue playing games in the Art Room on the second floor from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to come and play or watch and learn or to share their experience.

-Alejandro Ramirez, Convenor



White moves and wins in 3



Black moves and wins in 3



Note: As usual the chess group will discuss the results during chess sessions.

Brock House Milestones

Our condolences to
the families and friends of
**Effie Auchinleck &
Pamela Glass**



To receive *The Gallimaufry* each month

By email, please write to:
brockhouse@telus.net

You can also view it on our website:
brockhousesociety.com

by using the "Newsletters" link on the
lower right of the homepage.

If you'd like to submit an article or creative
content, contact me at

BrockHouseGallimaufry@gmail.com

-BevAnn Lister Dean, Editor

Thank you, Jane!



The next time you're in our recently refurbished
elevator take a moment to read the newly
installed plaque. Then perhaps, when you see her,
take another moment to thank the very lovely
Jane McLennan for her generosity.



Peter Phillips

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Harrison Hot Springs Bridge Tour 2020

April 28th, 29th & 30th

This annual event is an enjoyable three
days of duplicate and Chicago bridge,
prizes, fine dining, and use of hotel
amenities. Price include two dinners,
two buffet breakfasts, two nights' accom-
modation, bus transport to and from
Brock House, and lessons by Ed L'Heureux.

\$505 per person
single room occupancy

\$365 per person
double room occupancy

You do not have to be a Brock House Society member
to participate.

Brock House members' registration:

Monday, February 10th to Tuesday, March 10th

No refunds after March 31st

Monday, February 17th to Tuesday, March 10th

Full payment required at time of registration.

Please register by phone at 604-228-1461, online at
www.brockhousesociety.com or in person at 3875 Point
Grey Road, Vancouver, BC on the 3rd floor office.

The Esther Birney Literary Arts Series

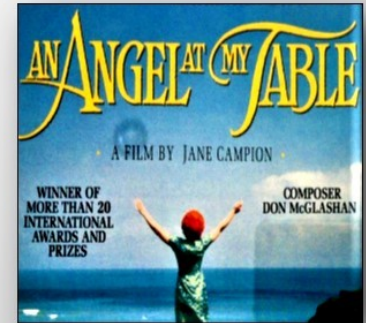
Thursdays in the Halpern Room

Please note the different start-times

March 5 *9:45 a.m.*

"An Angel at my Table" - Parts 2 & 3 With Elisabeth Caton.

The continuation of **Dame Elizabeth Jane Campion's** award-winning movie about the life of New Zealand writer, **Janet Frame**. Shown together, these parts are a little over 1.5 hours long, and very intense. Part II covers Frame's misdiagnosis of schizophrenia and her 8 years of incarceration in a mental hospital in the 50s, when shock treatment was widely used. Part III deals with her adult life as a writer.



March 12 *10:30 a.m.*

"The Right to Write: Whose Story Is It & Who Can Write It?" With Esmeralda Cabral.



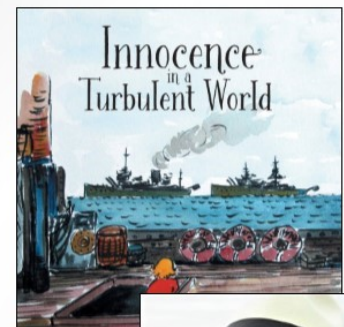
Writing non-fiction presents unique challenges. Whether we write memoir, personal essay or even journalistic pieces, we must consider the impact our stories will have on the people we write about. Tanya Talaga, writer and journalist, has said, "Don't be a story taker". What does this mean and how can we apply it to our own writing?

Esmeralda Cabral is a graduate of the Writer's Studio at SFU and the MFA program at the University of King's College in Halifax.

March 19 *10:30 a.m.*

***Innocence in a Turbulent World* With Enda Bardell.**

This heartfelt memoir, with simple illustrations, tells us the story of a young girl's early childhood in rural Estonia before she was forced to flee her country after the events of WWII. Honest and down-to-earth, the narrative captures a child's perspective of both the simple joy of living off the land and the incomprehensible horror of being torn apart by a conflict she could not understand. Ms. Bardell is now a visual artist living in Vancouver, she has had the honour of being invited to show her abstract work in the Estonian Art in Exile exhibition at the National Museum of Art (KUMU).



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Talent Show

Wednesday, June 24
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
in the Marquee

Brock House members
have so much talent
and it is time for a show.
Save the date and come
prepared to enjoy
entertainment by your
fellow members.
The Socials Team will
lead off the show.

Share your talent,
whether it be playing the ukulele,
saxophone, accordion, piano,
reciting poetry, tap dancing,
or you're an aspiring ventriloquist.
Start exercising your vocals
in the shower.

**Entry forms will be available in
The office starting on
Thursday, March 19.**
**All entries will be considered
and must be submitted by May 24.**

First come, first served.

This will be an
event that will be talked about
for years!

Members \$17 | Member Guests \$20



Chicago Bridge and Spring Luncheon

The Chicago Bridge Lunch has been a popular
event in the Brock House bridge world for many
years and this year's Spring event is on

Friday, May 29, 10:00 a.m.
(registration at 9:45 a.m.)
in the Begg Room

**Sign-up begins on
Thursday, March 19**
online or through the office.

You must sign up with a partner and
everyone must be a Brock House member.
We will take sign-ups until we have the
maximum of 10 tables.

*Please be sure you can complete four
hands in 30 minutes or less
and at least one in your partnership
knows how to score.*

Thanks for your consideration.

The day will include:
One of Kaz' wonderful lunches, prizes,
and spending an enjoyable day with
other Brock House bridge players

All for only \$20.00.

**Looking forward to seeing
40 keen players on May 29!**

-Wendy Hanington, Convenor



*Announcement from the
Brock House Art Group*

Art Show

Many of our members have paintings hanging in a group show at the Legato Café in Kerrisdale until the end of March 2020.

The Legato Café is located at 2248 West 41st Avenue, south side near Yew Street, if you are in the area we invite you to drop in and have a look at the art while you enjoy a tea or coffee break.



A March birthday from Bartholomew

There was a man who invented an equation.
It comes up in many a situation.
Einstein was his surname
and energy was his claim to fame.

He could have become a great musician
since he played the violin with precision.
To sail his boat upon the lake
was also his love to partake.

But most of all he did hope for
the respect of his peers as he did explore
relativity's theory with all his might
and photon particles that make up light.

On the fourteenth of March, eighteen seventy-nine
he was born in Germany with the name Einstein.
Seventy-six years was his life span.
The energy equation came from this great man.

In the year of nineteen O' five
to produce four science papers he did strive.
This was called his miracle year
as the direction of science he did steer.

If you're like me you always want to
know what Doris Gregory is up to!



It's about six years since Doris' book, ***How I Won the War for the Allies*** was published, but the stories about the wonderful people she meets while promoting the book, in this case casually, continue!

Above is Doris with Anwal from Kuwait and her colleague Julia, at a local coffee shop a couple of weeks ago. Both of the young women are medical doctors who were studying for a specialization exam the next day.

Doris writes "these lovely, gracious women asked if they might have their picture taken with me. Thanks to Julia's excellent camera and my caregiver's careful aim, it turned out beautifully. I am delighted with this multicultural photo!"

Thanks for the update, Doris! - Ed.

Celestially Crossed

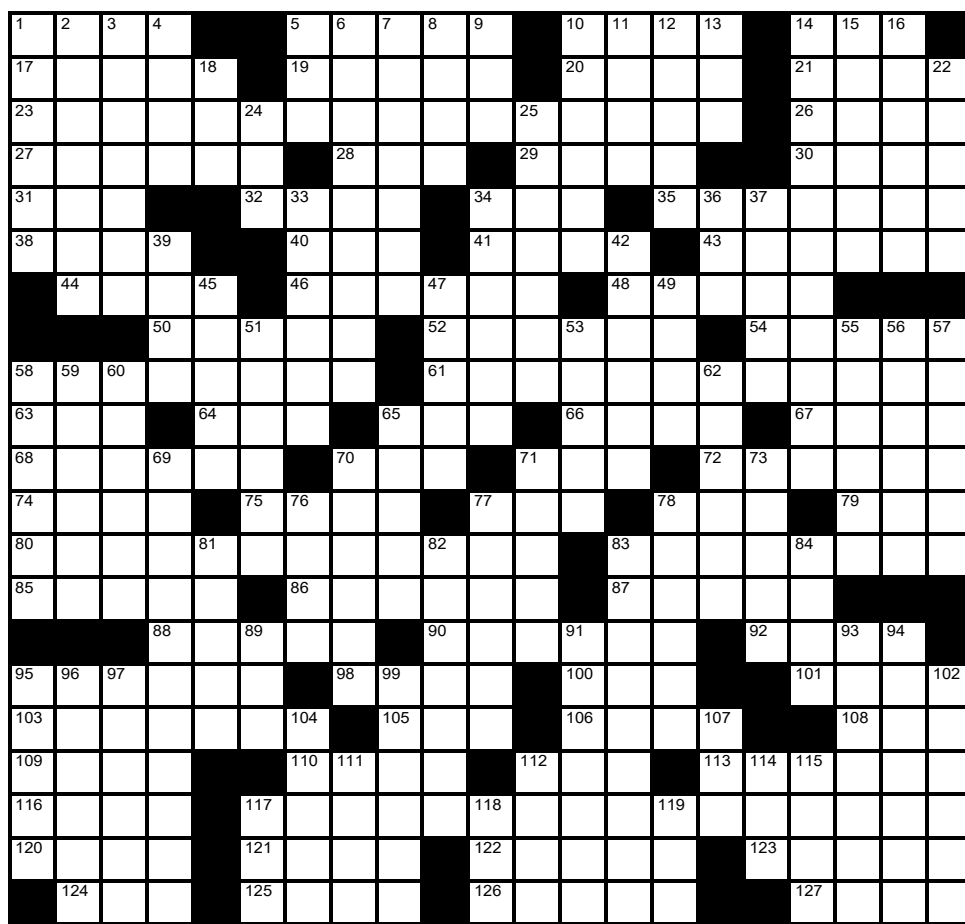
by Parker O'Brian

Across

1. Gaston of the Toron-to Blue Jays
5. Jane Eyre's pupil
10. Wine holder
14. Something to chew on
17. Incessantly
19. Marching band instruments
20. Phoenician fertility goddess
21. Scott Turow book
23. In desperate need of tenderness
26. Grad wheels
27. Sea between Southern Italy and Greece
28. Kind of feeling
29. ___ buco
30. Plains native
31. Mid-Second-Century date
32. Cries of surprise
34. Medal awarded to cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin in 1961, abbr.
35. Hoth and Naboo, in "Star Wars"
38. Certify
40. Four quarters
41. Deadly biters
43. Canuck's Sedins, e.g.
44. French New Wave director Rohmer
46. Island off the coast of Java
48. Kind of wave
50. Slight
52. They go back and forth
54. Type of campaign
58. Does the trick
61. 1970's action-comedy series
63. Civil War side, Abbr.
64. Prefix with fire or match
65. The Rockies, e.g. Abbr.
66. "Gilda" actress, 1946
67. Stiff and formal
68. Went longer without blinking
70. ___ in victory
71. Kind of mill
72. Hillary's maiden
74. Herve Villechaize role in a James Bond movie, "Nick ___"
75. Neighbour of Turkey
77. Mideast letters
78. Playboy nickname
79. Shoe designation
80. "Silence of the Lambs" FBI agent
83. Group of islands off the east coast of the United States
85. "Cómo ___?"
86. Hall-of-fame Canadians goalie
87. Canadian skater Brian
88. Dvorak opera
90. Roald Dahl collection of short stories, "___ You"
92. Da ____, Vietnam
95. Provoking shock
98. Christmas season
100. Question from Judas, "Is ___?"
101. Meadows
103. "Would you like to ___ a [this puzzle's theme]?"
105. Go astray
106. Part of the MLB playoffs
108. Article in Le Monde
109. Dukes of Hazard Boss
110. Folk singer Joan
112. Bronze or Iron
113. Battlefield shout
116. Muslim leader
117. Harrison Ford film
120. ___-cake
121. Sprightly
122. Place to stop on a highway
123. "Down Under" band, ___ Work
124. Down Under outlaw Kelly
125. Approximately
126. Founder of a famous New York eatery
127. Bruins' #7 informally

Down

1. Central American



2. Entail
3. Even smaller
4. Timoner who was twice awarded the Sundance Grand Jury prize for Documentary film making
5. Part of ANC, abbr.
6. Lines on which bishops travel
7. Radiated
8. Split
9. Computer attachment
10. Picnic condiment
11. "___ born"
12. Posture problem
13. Boy toy
14. Clue suspect
15. One way to stand
16. Knock down
18. Stephen Colbert's honorary degree from Knox College, abbr.
22. Fertile soil
24. Sean ___ Lennon
25. Russian horseman
33. Friends from the hood
34. Ride, so to speak
36. It was dropped in the 60's
37. Up to one's ears
39. Jazz bit
42. Athlete's woe
45. It may be organized
47. Those climbing the social ladder too fast
49. George Harrison's "___ It a Pity"
51. Sour tasting
53. High nest: Var.
55. Made an impression
56. Ancient Greek region north of Peloponnese
57. Features of some poems
58. Torch or candle holder
59. Regular pub orders
60. Rich, greedy person
62. Challengers
65. Virile
69. Quite insane
70. Wide variety
71. Canadian Cy Young winner in 2003
73. "Children ___", 2006 film
76. Foxx of "Sanford and Son"
77. Askew
78. Like Superman
81. Dwight Yoakam song, "___ Dixie"
82. Revere
83. Was given formula, say
84. Eurasia's ___ Mountains
89. Former Vietnam PM ___ Dinh Diem
91. "Photograph" singer
93. Cells that transmit nerve impulses
94. Controversial musical genre
95. Jean Luc Picard's Enterprise, for one
96. Like some bobsleds
97. Surgically bind
99. In the habit of
102. William Blake poem, "Never ___ Tell Thy Love"
104. Laker or Clipper
107. PTA. meeting place
111. Affectation
112. Between ports
114. Bottom line
115. Downwind
117. Orchestra based in London, Eng.
118. Four Monopoly properties: Abbr.
119. Clavell's "___-Pan"

Puzzle answers on p. 15

Workshop News

Like the seasons the workshop seems to cycle through periods with high and low activities. Just before Christmas the shop thrummed as various woodworkers finished presents and projects. Then it seemed to slow down as woodworkers drifted away for holidays and seemed to stay slow until well past new year, but it was all an illusion. When I look back at the attendance record there were several people that visited the shop each day over the last two months and people took the time to be creative.

Bob finished the large cedar box that he made for his daughter, Jan made laminated serving boards, Robin made a bench, Wally used a scroll saw to craft tree ornaments, Steve made live edge cutting boards, David made a unique cribbage board, Bill assembled a large urn that looks like a cookie jar, Alan made a freestanding shelf for shoes, repaired a chair and started a TV table, Barry made a wooden Union Jack and helped Bill construct more looms for a Salish weaving class. Susan constructed two gorgeous cutting boards from many small strips arranged in many, many colours. Don repaired a table and a large chair. The other Steve repaired a harp, built a bird house modelled on the Hastings Mill and finished a carved jewelry box. Chris reinstalled the storage cabinets in the renovated part of the workshop, Ray painted the walls and ceilings. Jan installed a thickness sander to simplify finishing. We also had several workshop orientations to give new Brock House members the background to work in the workshop.

In true hindsight it looks like it has been a busy time but the next few months will be even busier as we "finish" the renovations, continue new projects including an introductory class for novice woodworkers that started in early February, the week after the snow storm. This class engendered a bit of angst since we have never offered a formal class before but many woodworkers have warmed to the chance to provide guidance to a class of novices taking up the opportunity to enjoy woodworking. The students have responded by showing up with a diversity of novel projects including a spice rack, stacking worm bins, a jewelry box, bowls and a bee house. It has been a whole new experience for everyone and another turn in the annual cycle of activity.

If you already have a bit of experience with woodworking tools and want to take the orientation for working in the shop, please contact me, the Workshop Convenor, at the **Brock House workshop on Thursday morning or e-mail me, wramey@mail.ubc.ca** with "Brock House Projects" in the subject line. You can also contact me if you have other questions about the workshop or just want to ask us about your own special project needs, repairs, woodcrafts or a general tour of the shop.

-Bill Ramey, Convenor

Maple Wood Chest



Cutting Board



Cherry Wood Bowl



Bill Ramey



Decorated Jewelry Box

"The Liberry Girl"

By
Tony Swain

She was simply lovely . . .

. . . And for the first time in his life, Tony was truly smitten. However, at a mere 14 cum 15 years old, he didn't know what to do about it. She worked in the new Hull Public Library almost next door, so he could pop in any time to browse around the books, then wonders of wonders, actually mumble a few legitimate dumb words like "Is it O'K for two weeks" or "Sorry . . . Ah forgot me card! Can ah leave the books 'ere while I nip 'ome and gerrit?" Worked every time.

"Of course!" she'd say "Just don't be too long, we'll be closing soon," and he'd run out the door, across the lane, over the fence, count to ten, then rush back in a fluster and hand her his ticket. She would very seriously stamp the card and give him the books, tell him to try and remember next time, and away he'd go, simply thrilled to bits she'd actually spoken to him.

It was all a big mystery. Why did this particular girl turn him into a babbling idiot? There were other girls in the library, local shops, and elsewhere, who were friendly, pretty and attractive, but didn't quite have this same strange effect on his whatever. She was after all, '*OLD*'. . . Had to be, she was working at the library, so was at least 16-17.

Maybe it was because she was the spitting image of his new favourite film star, Vera Ellen, the heroine of the new movie, '*Carnival in Costa Rica*' She really was a bombshell! It was just like she worked part-time between shoots at the Wold Road Branch Library, and he almost convinced himself of that. . . . Anyway. . .

Come one evening just after 8pm, he was walking down Willerby Road for no reason at all, when the 'Liberry Girl' popped out of Scalby Grove, pushing a bike, and, wonders on wonders,

"Why Hello!" she said. . . . Tony almost fainted. His tummy did a kind of weird loop. It was just like the movie . . . His Vera Ellen substitute was right there, talking to *HIM*! We can presume he said 'Hello' back, because he simply began walking alongside her and the bike, and they walked and talked, and walked and talked, far along the Willerby Road.

He told her all about the recent books he'd read, those he wanted to read, about how nice her bike was, and other inane babble. . . . She laughed and chattered about her job, and what a nice neighbourhood it was, and other grown-up stuff. Tony was enchanted, and wished for it to go on for ever. However, after about a half a mile, by the Priory round-about, she said she'd better be getting on home now, mounted her bicycle, and with a little wave, peddled away into the city.

By amazing co-incidence, they then often met and walked together from the library's back exit. Soon, she even walked her bike as far as Woodgate Lane, where he helped her hoist it over the railway foot-bridge, before she waved good-night and rode demurely away. He watched her go with a warm glow in his heart. . . . His Liberry Girl.

Then one day, she had no bike, and he happily walked her all the way home, almost two miles, over the bridge, down Perth Steet, across Chants Ave, down Newstead Street, and then a long long walk to her home way down on Clumber Street. . . . Tony was in seventh heaven, and he walked her home thus numerous times. They chattered and laughed all the way.

Then suddenly . . . She was gone. Transferred to another branch? He never knew. It was a confusing time. When he'd turned 16, his shoemaker father yanked him from college, and apprenticed him at a shoe factory . . . "Learn a bloody trade, yer little sod!" This caused a ruckus in the family, as his Mam had hoped he'd go to university, and become a vet.

So, after some serious barney, his Mam got a job, left her husband, took the kids and the dog, and moved into a tiny terrace house nine feet square on Beverley Road. Tony commuted to work at the factory, the plan being that someday, he'd be a ladies fashion shoe designer, like Gucci.

But it wasn't to be. The king died, the factory mourned, his daughter Elizabeth became queen, and the factory cheered, "Hip, Hip, Hurray!" . . . There were lots of lovely girls at the factory, so our Tony soon forgot about his Liberry Girl, and went racing old motorbikes. . . . Then at 18, in 1952, Tony was drafted into National Service, and because of his college education, qualified for Officer training, and was sent to RAF Kirton-in-Lindsey pilot training school, in Lincolnshire.

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This was serious university cum 'boot camp' stuff. They studied, marched, and flew old Tiger Moths.

One instructor fell overboard whilst checking the top wing gas tank, and parachuted down. His new student had to fend for himself, and amazingly managed to land back at the field.

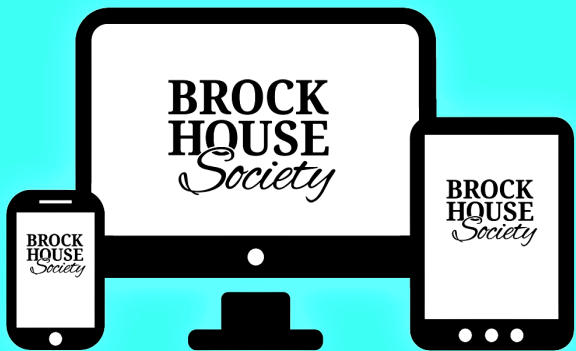
It was about six weeks before they got a week-end pass to go home to visit their parents.

Kirton was about 20 miles south of Hull, across the broad River Humber. So, all excited to show off his uniform to his Mam, Tony hitch-hiked to the ferry. As an Officer Cadet in uniform, he was required to travel 'First Class', a big deal for a lad from a Kotty Ave Terrace House.

He rather self-consciously strolled into the First Class lounge, nodding politely to the senior officers there-in, peering anxiously around for a seat near more junior ranks. An army lieutenant was seated across the lounge. Thank goodness. He strolled over and said from behind . . .

"Excuse me sir, but may I join you?" The officer said, "Why certainly. . . Well hello! Tony! What a surprise." It was his Liberry Girl! She had just graduated from Army Officer School at Sandhurst . . . And was on her way home to announce her engagement to a fellow officer.

Once more they chattered and laughed, all the way across. Then she caught her bus, and he caught his bus . . . and he never saw, or heard of her again.



Computer Drop-In
Every Monday, 1:00-3:00 in the Computer Room

David, John and Brian are available to assist any members with their computers, tablets or cell phones. They will also help with certain programs. Be sure to bring your questions to them every Monday during this drop-in class! On-going.

VPD warns public about recent thefts



Vancouver – Vancouver Police are alerting the public about recent thefts that are believed to be part of an organized crime "distraction theft" group targeting the elderly.

"There have been multiple thefts reported in the past few weeks," says Constable Tania Visintin, VPD. "The thief distracts the victim, prior to stealing from them. We have issued warnings in the past, but with the recent cases, are again encouraging residents to be aware and report suspicious activity."

Police believe multiple suspects are involved. Victims report being approached by a female suspect who makes physical contact through a handshake or a hug. The suspect places fake jewelry on the victim and removes expensive jewelry. The getaway vehicle is usually driven by a male and, in some reports, children have also been in the vehicle or have been used to create a distraction.

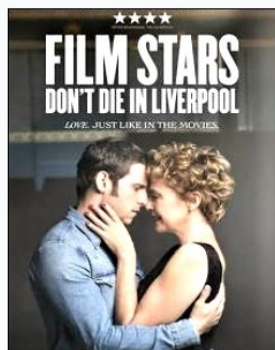
In other cases, victims report being stopped near a highway where the suspects claims a family member is in need, and offers expensive-looking jewelry as collateral for financial assistance.

"We're advising people to not allow strangers into their personal space, and to tell anyone who tries to give them jewelry or place jewelry on them, that they are not interested," adds Constable Visintin. "If you have fallen victim to this crime, please call police."

Investigators are asking anyone with information to please call VPD's Major Crime Section at 604-717-2541 or Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477.

-Thanks to Judy Davis

BROCK HOUSE *Society*



Friday Flicks

Start time: 1:00 p.m.

\$2.00 - Exact change please.

March 6

Rocket Man

UK/USA - 2019 - 121 Minutes

Set to his well-known songs, the movie follows Elton John's journey from shy piano prodigy to international superstar.

March 13

***The Farewell* - SOME SUBTITLES**

USA - 2019 - 98 Minutes

A Chinese family gathers at an impromptu wedding to say goodbye to their grandmother who has a terminal disease. They decide not to tell her that she is sick.

March 20

Film Stars Don't Die in Liverpool

UK/USA - 2017 - 106 Minutes

The true story of actress Gloria Grahame and her lover, Peter Turner, shows her growing attachment to his family when she falls ill near the end of her life.

March 27

The Art of Racing in the Rain

USA - 2019 - 109 Minutes

Golden retriever Enzo learns with his owner, a race car driver, that techniques used on the racetrack can be a formula for life. Told from Enzo's point of view.

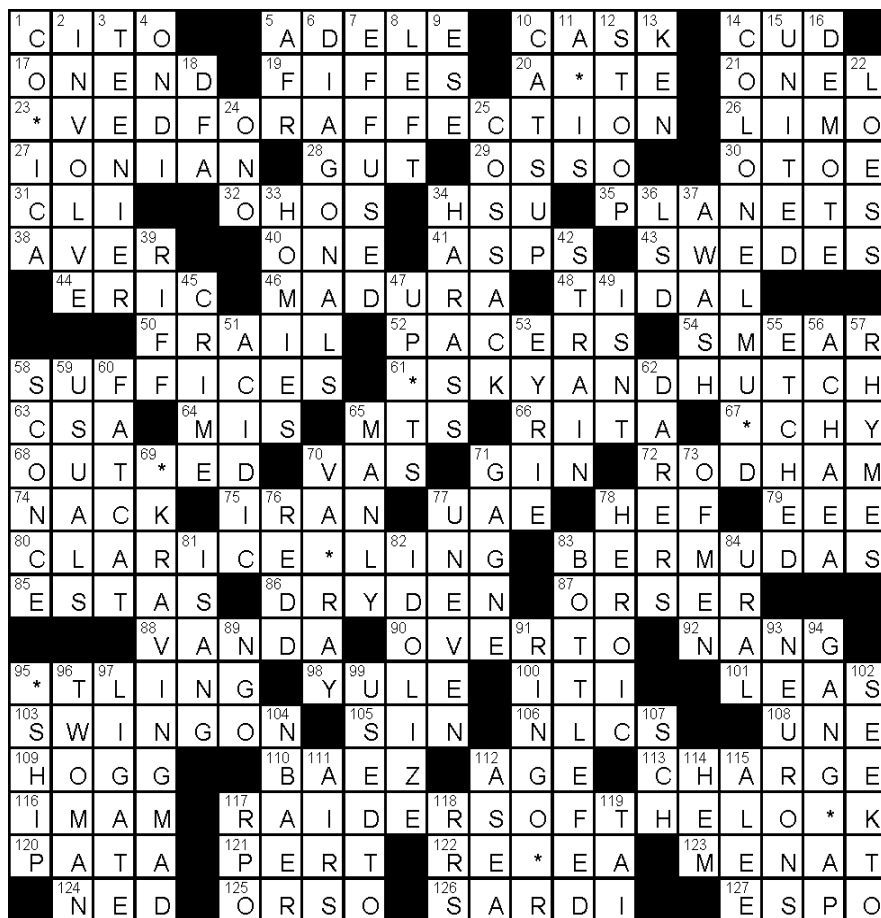
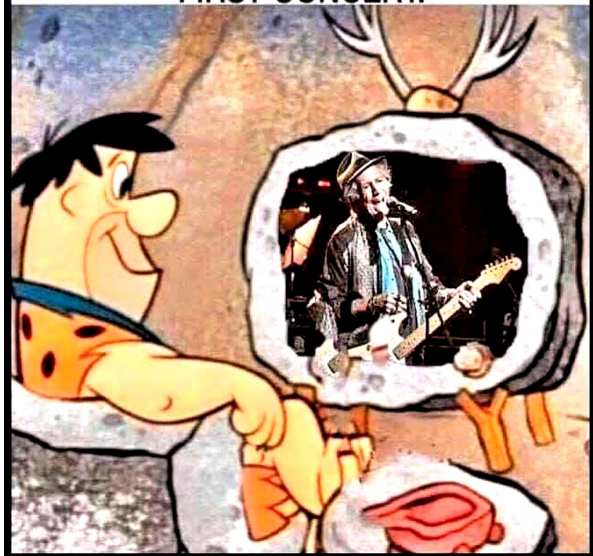


Celestially Crossed

by
Parker O'Brian

Puzzle answers

**RARE FOOTAGE OF KEITH RICHARDS'
FIRST CONCERT.**



Special Events at a Glance

Tuesday, March 3	Halpern Perf. Arts: Daddio & the Gran Koolios
Thursday, March 19	Spring Registration begins
Wednesday, March 25	Annual General Meeting
Thursday, March 26	Mardi Gras with the Brock House Jazz Band
Friday, March 27	Fraser River Discovery Tour
Sunday, April 26	Handbell Ringers Annual Spring Concert
Tuesday, April 28 - Thursday, April 30	Harrison Hot Springs Bridge Tour
Friday, May 29	Chicago Bridge & Spring Luncheon
Wednesday, June 24	Talent Show
Saturday, July 11	Summer Fair

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Chicken Gumbo Chicken Pie Roasted Potatoes & Salad	3 Fassoulada Soup Moussaka Green Beans & Salad	4 Beef Barley Soup Beef & Mushroom Pie Mash Potatoes & Salad	5 Minestrone Soup Eggplant Parmigiana Polenta & Salad	6 Italian Wedding Soup Fish & Chips
9 Spicy Spinach Soup Thai Chicken Thigh Rice & Salad	10 Fish Chowder Seafood Curry Basmati Rice & Salad	11 Lentil Soup Lamb & Spinach Pie Roasted Potatoes & Salad	12 Yellow Pea Soup Baked Ham Yam Mash & Salad	13 Manhattan Clam Chowder Fish & Chips
16 Tomato Soup Meat loaf Mashed Potatoes & Salad	17 Wonton Soup Pineapple Pork Vegetable Stir Fry & Rice	18 Shrimp Chowder Seafood Linguine Rapini & Salad	19 Borscht Beef Straggonoff Buttered Noodles & Salad	20 Beef Barley Soup Fish & Chips
23 Yellow Pea Soup Tourtiere Mix Vegetables & Salad	24 Italian Vegetable Soup Meat Lasagna Peas & Salad	25 Italian Chicken Soup Cheese Canneloni Peas & Caesar Salad	26 Boston Clam Chowder Fish Pie Peas & Salad	27 Wonton Soup Fish & Chips
30 Squash Soup Shrimp & Pork Gumbo Okra & Salad	31 Corn Chowder Pulled Pork Roasted Potatoes & Salad	<div>Halpern Performing Arts Event:</div> <div>Daddio & the Gran Koolios</div> <div>Tuesday, March 3rd @ 1:45-3:15pm</div> <div>\$8 members, \$10 member guests</div> <div>Register online or through the office!</div>		