



Salt Spring Island/Mayne Island Branches **THE GIFT EXCHANGE**

Mary Simpson, friend of Mary Gordon, who were both closely associated with the beginnings of the VHES, died peacefully in Victoria Hospice on May 20th after a valiant struggle with cancer.

While living on Salt Spring Island in 1992, Mary found the house that became our first Grandma's House on SSI.

Mary was born an orphan in the darkest days of World War 2. She dedicated her life to helping the less fortunate, particularly children who are orphans and single mothers.

We send our sincere condolences to her family, grandchildren and large circle of friends. May she rest in peace.



Scenes From Our Annual General Meeting



Photos courtesy of Derrick Nash

THANK YOUs FROM THE GULF ISLANDS

Our sincere thanks to:

- **Naomi P.** a camp leader who wants her kids to make something beneficial to the Human Exchange — thanks for caring.
- **Irene C. and Margaret B.** who collect GVM tapes for us; **Ganges Village Market** for Grocery Rebate
- **Financial Gifts: Mary T.; Mark S. of Pender** for monthly donation for persons with mental illness.
- **Marion M** and **Marnie R.** for gift in memory of George M.
- **Neddy** of the **Land Bank Society** for continued fundraising for the needs of homeless people on SSI.
- **Macie P.** for advocacy and generous service for persons facing housing challenges.
- **Imagen** for free Internet Access; **Cablelan** for discounted internet access.
- **David, Palu, Fabio** and all who live at Grandma's House for your co-operation in keeping the house free of drugs and alcohol.
- **Palu "Rainbow song"** for entertaining at our AGM. and **Macie P.** for reciting Poetry and singing.
- **All** whose names we have missed but who have 'shared life's gifts'. **We thank you!**

MAYNE ISLAND BRANCH.

- **Joanna W.**, and the **Mayne Isl. Thrift Store** for further bags of linens and towels.
- **Jacob and Emily B.** for microwave and many other gifts of clothes and household items.
- **Errol F.** for clothes/ footwear/ cooking pans and air mattresses
- **Sue E.** for TV and VCR; **Carol N.** for two bags of clothes and much kindness.
- **Joyce K.** gifts of produce and bags of woolen socks and supply of wool.
- **Yvette** for pick up and delivery of many gifts to be shared with those less materially fortunate.

- *Financial donations* :**Lazlo B** ; **Father Michael O'C.**

- **Lina B.** for Society Accounting; new budget and much support.
- **ALEA** for donation of 200 brochures.
- **Sunny Mayne Bakery** for gift of breads and baked goods generously given for the working poor.
- **Monica** of **MonicaWorks** for keeping our web- site (whose design she donated) up to date.

All who have dropped off goods anonymously or whom we missed.

We thank you all!

In the Gulf Islands, Monetary gifts may be mailed (with memo re: usage) to:

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Email: grandmas@saltspring.com
Outside Victoria Society pager: 1-800-691-9366
On **Mayne and Outer Islands**: Tel: 539-5310

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