



Wow what a fantastic summer! Thanks to everyone who hosted, organised, attended or volunteered at SILT events this summer or made pledges and donations to the SILT Johnson Forest Campaign

The Johnson family is willing to donate 4 of their lots valued at \$200,000, if SILT can raise the funds (\$265,000) to purchase their 4 adjacent lots. The parcel is a 2.5 acre waterfront mature forest located mid-island near the Mermaid Trail at Henderson Rd. . **I am excited to tell you that we have now raised \$235,000 towards the \$265,000 target. We still need \$30,000 to reach the goal.** If you missed the chance to participate in events this summer or have been thinking about making a pledge or donation to this Island-wide effort, please pledge or donate today. SILT may receive pledges, cash donations and or publicly listed securities (including stocks, bonds and mutual funds). Donations may be made by mail, SILT Box 141 Lund, BC V0N 2G0 or online at www.silts.ca . For more information email: silts@telus.net

This summer fundraising began with a Bluegrass concert by Scout Mountain at the Red House B&B where the community enjoyed a beautiful afternoon of tunes, food by Michele and beer from the Townsite Brewery. The concert raised \$3900 to kick off the summer fundraising. Thanks go to Bill Smith for the idea and the band, to Jacqueline Steeves-Tasker for opening and to Paul Leighton and Ruth White for so graciously hosting the event. The surprise event this summer happened when Colin James generously offered to do a benefit concert for the Johnson Forest. WOW!! Rick Thaddeus is to be congratulated and thanked for organising this unforgettable event. Thanks to Colin James, Craig Northy and Adam Woodall for creating a magical and memorable evening with their music. Special thanks to Geri Batchelor for hosting us in her home for the party of the summer and to Heather Munn for helping to make it happen. Thanks also Jacqueline for opening and to all the volunteers. The concert raised \$15,000 for the Johnson Forest. The next event was Yoga for the Forest by Leslie Young in August. The class took place on the deck at the Fire Hall on a beautiful morning and raised \$225. Thanks Leslie. In addition to the \$100,000 pledge SILT received to kick off the Johnson Forest fundraising in 2011, we have had numerous small and several large pledges and donations.

Coming up next: Gourmet Locavore Pizza Dinner to Benefit the Johnson Forest at the Savary Boulangerie Saturday October 13

Enjoy a dinner starting with Anti Pasto, followed by a variety of thin crust pizzas made with local toppings and baked in a wood-fired oven by the Savary Boulangerie baker and our host Ken Palfrey. Fresh local salad and a surprise dessert will complete the menu.

*****Limited tickets available*****

Tickets are \$50. A tax receipt for \$25 will be issued with each ticket. Email silts@telus.net to get yours. All proceeds to the Johnson Forest Campaign.

In July, the SILT Summer Art auction was a fun and exciting evening at the summer home of Robyn and Wynn Woodward. Veteran auctioneer Hart MacDougall generated an electric atmosphere and the bidding was fierce, in the end raising \$33,000. Thanks go to the artists, bidders and volunteers. Special thanks to the Woodward and MacDougall families for making this so much fun and such a great success.



Hart MacDougall left auctions “Savary Calm”, a painting by Audrey Capel Doray at the SILT Summer Art Auction. Keith MacDougall (right) and SILT Chair, Thea Cacchioni (left) assist with the auction.

When SILT began in 1997, there was no protected land on Savary, today there are over 200 acres protected by The Nature Trust of BC, the Province of BC and SILT. It is very exciting to see the Savary community join together to acquire the Johnson Forest land for preservation now and forever. Thanks to everyone for your generous support

Save the Trails on *DL 1375 Savary Island* *The Heart of the Island*

Please help us protect the trail system throughout the 330 acre District Lot 1375 on Savary Island. The Preliminary Layout Approval for the subdivision of this national treasure dedicates and protects only 5 of the 16 trails currently in use. These trails have taken countless generations to quiet beaches, ancient forests, wild lands, rare meadows and some of the region's last Old Growth Forests. The Powell River Regional District can require that additional trails be dedicated for protection as part of the development process. The trails offer opportunities for recreation, education, clean transportation, community health, and nature appreciation. The Savary Island Land Trust Society recognizes that some trails may need to be re-routed to protect sensitive areas.

Here is what you can do to help save the trails:

- Visit [:www.silts.ca](http://www.silts.ca) to learn more, [Take a Trail Walk](#) and [Sign the Petition](#)
- Visit us on Facebook and Spread the word to Save the Trails
- Write to PRRD Director, Patrick Brabazon today: brabazon@shaw.ca.

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