



Well, we're coming up
to 500 events!

April 15, as close as MacDonald's
counts billions of burgers.

When I started this caper, June 14
1993, I was pretty anxious about
planning a week ahead to be on
deck for the next show. We
thought we'd try showing a couple
of films for ourselves and a few
patients and ex-patients.

This week I'm putting out my new
sched, lining up really special
events two months ahead and
scheming others well into the
summer. Movie Monday is now
bringing artists from all over to
engage our audiences with stories
that reach way beyond the images
on the screen. And the whole
community is welcome.

Films are coming from all sorts of
places beyond the video stores. This
week I received *My Left Breast*
from Gerry in Newfoundland (her
own story), and three docs about
the *Fly Away Home* real story, two
copies of an acrobatic bike video
D.I.R.T. shot by a couple of riders in
Duncan, and a promising life story
of an artist from Whidby Island, by
way of Saltspring. I returned one to
Iceland.

On MM's 9th Anniversary I'll be in
Vancouver at the invitation of Dr.
Harry Karlinsky, at UBC Dept of
Psychiatry's Continuing Education
Clinical Day, speaking about how
film can be used to increase
understanding of mental illness
and recovery. I'm the only one in
the list of presenters that's a "Mr".
Me and 33 doctors! The audience
will be psychiatrists, line workers,
and other educators who might
take home some ideas, some ideas
*direct from a patient's point of
view*, about the impact film can
have in mental health. I've learned
it all in my own laboratory. All
these Monday nights.

Dr. Dean Brooks, who came to my
theatre 8 years earlier to speak
about his part in the landmark film
One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest,
will be there. He'll join our panel
in the evening with a splendid
documentary about the making of
that film, *Completely Cuckoo*, that
I introduced to Canada. This is a
very cool thing!

Five minutes on CFX last week,
nice photo/article in the
Vancouver Sun last Monday, CBC
radio Friday at 6:50am, same article
in our own TC today, the Nexus,
Camosun's student paper next
week. It's getting around. It's a
good story and it keeps on getting
better.

Bruce Saunders
Movie Monday Mar 24/02

**We'll be doing special Reel Madness-
like screenings with discussions of *A
Beautiful Mind* and *Iris* with
Sidney's StarCinema in the next
month. These will be awareness and
fund raising for the
Schizophrenia, Alzheimer and
Movie Monday Societies.
Watch for info!**