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rate guitars, he provided interpretive contrast and technical virtuosity, and the aggregate, ladies and gentlemen, was astonishing to behold. When Mr. MacLean would resume the stage, grinning widely, Mr. Frost obliged with fluid, potent accompaniment, and the night stayed young.

“To make it real, you have to live it,” Albert remarked in passing, and these gentlemen certainly do that. The idea that they would show up on Denman as a stop on their



Doc MacLean & Albert Frost

CAN-AFRICA tour was in the same moment as improbable and as perfectly natural as an occurrence could be, and it was a happy house that heard them, and asked for more. And, naturally, the fellows complied. 🍷

BC SEED SECURITY PROGRAM

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By Carla Hick

I would like to bring your attention to the recent Ministry of Agriculture press release about vegetable seed program funding at FarmFolk CityFolk.

FarmFolk CityFolk's Seed Security Program is focused around helping organic farmers scale up production of high-quality organic vegetable seed. We run a number of training and outreach programs and have developed a suite of tools to give organic farmers more information on integrating seed production into their farming operations. These resources include case studies on procuring seed contracts; seed enterprise budgets to better understand the economics of seed production; guidelines on quality assurance measures

for seed production; and trialing of different vegetable varieties through

forming varieties for BC farms.

Local seed production is an important part of sustainable food systems and our program aims to increase the quantity, quality, and diversity of organic seed being grown in BC. Local seed production helps support the local farming economy; results in better-adapted crop varieties for BC farms; and reduces our reliance on imported seeds. BC has an optimal climate for the production of many types of vegetable seed crops and could be an important producer of organic vegetable seed to supply the continually growing organic farming sector in BC and across North America.



the BC Seed Trials - our research and outreach collaboration with UBC Farm and organic vegetable farmers across BC to identify the best-per-

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By Graeme Isbister

“Much depends on dinner (or lunch...)” • Margaret Visser

Distinguished classical scholar (and frequent guest on Peter Gzowski's "Morningside") Margaret Visser had it right in her wonderful

book on the fascinating history and cultural contexts of the ordinary

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