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# **NEWS**

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### **SUNDANCE SCHOOL CLOSING?**

On January 23rd, parents and students of Sundance School were informed by the Superintendent of Schools that the Sundance Elementary School program was being considered for relocation and the school closed effective July 1st, 2014. Declining school enrollments district-wide and budget shortfalls were sited as the reason for the proposed closure.

A consultation meeting was held this past Wednesday, January 29th with parents, students and community members at Sundance School. It was well attended by teachers, students and parents. It was obvious from the comments made by students and parents that Sundance plays a unique and important role in their lives. The document, 'Information for Community Consultation' provided to meeting attendees is available at http://southjubilee.ca/documents/Sundance\_Consultation\_Booklet.pdf or go to our website and click on the link in the first article.

The second consultation meeting at Sundance will be held Tuesday, February 18th at 7:00pm. The School Board will hear speakers and vote on the closure Tuesday March 4, 2014 at 7pm at the Tolmie Board Room—556 Boleskine Road.

The Neighbourhood Association will be discussing the closure at our February 10th meeting. We have had a long and close relationship with Sundance School and I, for one, would hate to see the school close. Please come and voice your opinion. If you can't make any of the meetings, please write a letter or send an email to the School Board Trustees and the Minister of Education.

# SOUTH JUBILEE NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

VICTORIA COLLEGE OF ART 1625 Bank Street Monday, February 10,2014 6:00pm—9:00pm

### Agenda:

- 1. Potluck Dinner from 6-7 pm
- Micro lending
- 3. Sundance school closing
- 4. Ian's Place-Meeting
- 5. Sjna-Living Legacy
- 6. Safeway-changing owners
- Grace Point Journal
- 8. Flowers in Park
- 9. Parking problems
- 10. New Business.

If you live in the South Jubilee Neighbourhood as a home-owner or renter or if you own a business in the neighbourhood, please come to the meeting.

Pot Luck Dinner—Come early (6pm) to our neighbourhood meeting. Bring a little food to share, enjoy some conversation and get to know your neighbours.

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## **IUBILEE URBAN FARMERS UPDATE**

JUF now has a facebook group, folks can join the group by following this link:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/538264486219614/

In July, we got together for a workshop on irrigation installation and maintenance at Silas Rose's house. I took the group through the various components of a microspray irrigation system and best practices for installing one in your home garden, with the goal of passing on enough information to Silas to enable him to repair and spruce up his pre-existing system.

In October, the group toured Eric's unique gar-



Eric using a vice to crack almonds from his tree.

den where he showed us his grafting handiwork, solar powered greenhouse and custom nut-cracking strategy!

JUF is seeking a new coordinator for the 2014 season. If you or someone you know are interested please e-mail *alysha.punnett@gmail.com* for more info!

### LET'S MAKE KASAPI PARK HAPPEN!

With the assumption that an important message becomes even more powerful when often repeated, the citizens of South Jubilee are invited to repeatedly request the City to obtain and dedicate our ancient Kasapi Park eco-system as part of the City's Park System.

Your message can be sent to Kate Friars, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture by email at kfriars@victoria,ca or by snail mail at:

Kate Friars, Director Parks, Recreation and Culture 1 Centennial Square Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

# PLASTIC RECYCLING 2ND SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Next plastic, batteries and electronics recycling is

Saturday, February 8th
10am – noon
Victoria College of Art parking lot (at
Leighton and Bank Street)

Our last recycle day was the wettest one I can remember. The rain came down in buckets but regardless, we had a great turnout. Hope to see you next Saturday.

Check our website - http://southjubilee.ca/recycling.html for details of what we collect .

### RESIDENTIAL BRANCH PICKUP

**Tuesday, February 11, 2013** - that's the date residential branch collection starts somewhere in the city. Place your branches on the boulevard, loosely stacked with cuts ends together.

A big change this year is branches **MUST** be at least 1 inch (2.5cm) in diameter to a maximum of 10 inches(25 cm). Smaller diameter branches clog the chipper.