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MEETING

South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association Victoria College of Art 1652 Bank Street

Monday, Sept. 8, 2014

7:00 - 9:00 pm.

AGENDA

- 1. 1505-1507 Fell Street Project Darlene Michl
- 2. City of Victoria rep Kimberley Stratford
- 3. City of Victoria Development
- 4. Sundance School Summit
- 5. September BBQ Redfern Park
- 6. Election in November
- 7. Silver Threads meeting
- 8. Abstract Development Richmond Rd & Oak Bay Ave.
- 9. New Business in Community: Century 21 & Sundance Daycare
- 10. New Business:
- 11. Next Meeting:

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.

Guess what, folks - the amalgamation initiative has it's eye on the Jubilee Neighbourhood Associations, South and North. Whichever one you call home, you know how Fort St. separates them and how different they are from each other. As we stroll through our respective territories, they seem like differently structured worlds. We recognize that difference and its location - we know where we are - always a good idea.

Whether its North or South, getting rid of the difference

may be seen as a necessary aid to the Administrators at City Hall, but in the larger context, it would be the loss of detailed evolution of our metaphor.

Should anyone ask, Roger would say he lives in the South.

Plastic Recycling Update

South Jubilee has been running its own recycling site since May 2011 when we parted company from Pacific Mobile Depot. We now pay ReFuse Resource Recovery to pick up all the plastic and electronics.

Over the past year we've collected over 500 bags of plastic, Styrofoam, gable tops, tetrapacs and foil plus lots of electronics. About a third of the bags are Styrofoam, a light but bulky plastic. Our profit each recycle day averages between \$25 and \$35 after we pay ReFuse and pay our other expenses for bags, etc. the past three years, we have managed to buy three tents and all our bag holders for recycling. Many thanks to the generous people who donate refundable bottles and juice cartons. This makes a big difference to the bottom line.

Next Recycling Date

Saturday, Sept 13th 10am – noon Victoria College of Art parking lot (at Leighton and Bank Street)

If you miss the next date, we're there the 2nd Saturday of every month.

We collect hard and soft plastic, styrofoam, tetra pacs, gable tops, electronics, batteries, small appliances, compact fluorescent bulbs. Check our website http://southjubilee.ca/recycling.html for details.

Can you see the deer in this South Jubilee backyard?



Sundance School - What's Next?

Sundance School closed its doors at the end of June this year. In July I talked to Seamus Howley, director of facilities for the Greater Victoria School Board. His department is looking after renting empty schools. This is the information I got from him regarding Sundance school:

- they're looking for a tenant who will pay \$100,000 a year (approx \$10/sq ft) plus maintenance costs
- lease period would be a maximum of three years.
- their 10 year demographic plan does not see our area experiencing an increase in school-age children so there are no thoughts of reopening Sundance as an active public school
- the school board would have to approve any new tenant of the school. Current use of closed schools are daycare centres, senior centres, francophone schools so if tenants were found, the school would likely continue to be community oriented.
- it might be an option for South Jubilee to rent just one of the portables.
- the storage bin that currently stores all Sundance School's earthquake supplies might be available to the neighbourhood. As a neighbourhood we don't currently have any kind of earthquake depot.
- playing fields and playground would continue to be available for community use.

Bring your ideas for Sundance to our September 8th meeting and let's see what the future might hold for this valuable neighbourhood facility.

Electronic Newsletter and Minutes

Would you like to get an electronic version of the newsletter emailed to you? And minutes from the last meeting? Go to http://southjubilee.ca/ and scroll down to the box on the lower right hand side. Enter your email address and interpret the security code (sorry about this sometimes indecipherable code but it's necessary to keep out spam), then submit. I will add you to our mailing list. If you can't get that security code right, email me at newsletter@southjubilee.ca and put "subscribe" in the subject line and I'll add you that way.

If you are in our delivery zone, you will still get a paper newsletter delivered to your door.

Do you know your neighbours?

More than 30% of Canadians say they feel disconnected from their neighbours. It can be hard work getting along with people you may not normally choose to know. A "good neighbour" becomes someone who doesn't bother you, verses someone you can befriend and trust. In this digital age, we can more easily reach out to people across the world than down the street. The moderating effects of mixing with neighbours of differing opinions are falling away leaving us with more polarized politics. Politicians reach out to people through their email lists and online forums. These people are choosing to be contacted because they already agree with the message...no dissenting views to compromise with.

Make a point of saying hi to a neighbour you don't know....you may be surprised at how good it feels!

What to do to save the plums and grapes from this neighbour?



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