



Next SJNA Meeting

Tuesday, Sept 6th Time – 7 pm
Victoria College of Art
(at Leighton and Bank Street).

AGENDA

- Minutes of previous meeting & business arising
- Redfern Park overnight camping issues
- Neighbourhood Survey results to-date
- My Great Neighbourhood Grant application / Building momentum
- Neighbourhood pole/fence painting initiative (Cathy Jupp Campbell)
- Neighbourhood Equity Meeting (City Hall) report

REFRESHMENT BREAK

- Pam Madoff / Kimberley Stratford
- BC Housing: Supportive Housing
- "Growing More Food in Victoria" meeting 8 Sept
- Review SJNA Constitution and Bylaw review (Societies Act)
- Open floor for member suggestions
- Future meeting location (accessibility) and date

NEW CO-ORDINATOR- Ron George has stepped down as neighbourhood coordinator. Ron has done the job for the past four years. Thanks Ron for all your work on behalf of the neighbourhood. Garry Antinuk has taken over the job. He can be reached through the sjna@southjubilee.ca email address.

RECYCLING

Next plastic, batteries, light bulbs, small appliances and electronics recycling
Saturday, Sept 10th 10am - noon.
Victoria College of Art parking lot
(at Leighton and Bank Street).

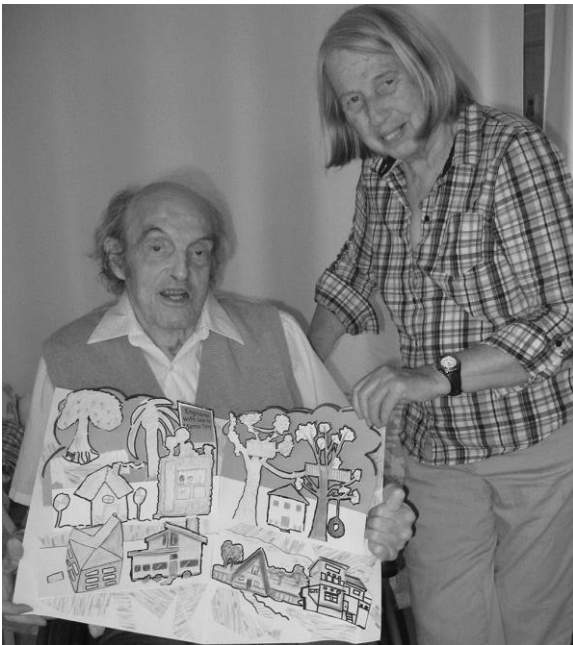
We charge you a small fee for your recycling to pay ReFuse for their pick up service. Any excess money collected, which is somewhere between \$10 and \$50 a month, goes to the Community Association.

Thanks to all the recyclers who generously donate their refundable bottles and juice containers. There are some months where refundables are what keep us in the black financially.

The question of whether or not we took CDs and DVDs came up last month. We had been throwing them in hard plastic for some time but were told by ReFuse that they were not acceptable so we had stopped taking them. The CRD has now made CDs, DVDs, VCR and audio tapes part of their expanded electronics recycling so we can indeed take your CDS, etc. They will now go in our electronics bin.

Remember No Mesh Bags - those bags onions, etc. come in. They jam up the plastic chopping machinery.

One Great Neighbour- After a number of injuries and serious health concerns Menno Tromp (45 year resident of Redfern Street) is making a great recovery. Recently the Neighbourhood Association decided to send him a get well card. A group of individuals meeting regularly at the Antinuk residence decided to make the card by hand as a service offering. Quick searches on the internet yielded lots of design ideas for pop-up cards but in the end a custom design was settled upon. A pop-up neighbourhood theme was created and the card was delivered to the Aberdeen Hospital where Menno and Sheri Tromp graciously welcomed us.



The card was a bit whimsical and was received with smiles. When asked when he would be getting better, Menno replied, "As we speak"! Such courage and determination are great examples of an indomitable spirit. Well done Menno... wishing you all the best!

ONLINE NEWSLETTER

Want to receive the newsletter and minutes electronically? You can subscribe by going to <http://southjubilee.ca/>. Scroll down to the bottom of the page, on the right hand side. You will see 'Newsletter/Minutes Notification'. Put in your email address and fill in the (sometimes illegible) security code and click 'Go'. Sorry about the security code but it is a required field. If you can't read the one shown, click refresh to get a new code. If you are still

stumped, send an email to newsletter@southjubilee.ca and I will add you to the notification list. You will get a confirmation of your subscription within a day or two. Subscribing to the electronic newsletter will not eliminate the paper copy of the newsletter you might already receive. Copies of minutes and newsletters for the past eight or years are available on-line at <http://southjubilee.ca/newsletter.html>

Have You Taken the Survey?

A small group of South Jubileers have put together a short survey to get input about the neighbourhood. If you want to add your opinion about what would make this a better neighbourhood, go to <http://southjubilee.ca/>

Gardening Success

We've never had much luck growing potatoes. We tried different places in the yard and the results have always been the same - spindly plants and a few wormy potatoes. Plus potatoes take up a lot of room in a garden like ours that is small and doesn't have a lot of sun. This year we decided to try growing them in containers. You could use old burlap bags or other kinds of strong bags that allow drainage but I had rescued a few two and four gallon black pots from someone's curbside recycle box so we decided to use those. We got seed potatoes at Borden Mercantile for \$8 and split them with our neighbour. That gave us enough seed potatoes for 6 pots. Being in pots meant we could grow them on our driveway which has full sun all day. We grew the potatoes in containers pretty much as I would in the ground, putting the seed potatoes close to the bottom of the pot and filling the pot about 1/3 full with compost. As the green leaves grew up a few inches, I added more soil and continued to add soil as the plants grew. After a month or so, the pots were full of soil and the potato plants had grown to about 2 feet in height. When we harvested the potatoes in mid-summer we got about 10 - 12 lbs in total from the 6 pots. Nothing like new potatoes fresh from the garden. We'll certainly do this again next year, maybe with different varieties and staggered plantings so we have fresh potatoes all through the summer.