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South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association Meeting

VICTORIA COLLEGE OF ART 1625 BANK STREET

Tuesday, April 3rd -7:00 pm

- I. Pam Lloyd (City Hall Crosswalk Presentation)
- 2. Gardenworks development proposal
- 3. City Hall News with Q&A 8:00 Refreshments
- 4. Minutes / Business Arising
- 5. Blast from the past (SJNA circa 2007)
- 6. Trailer and contents policy
- 7. Membership / Leighton speed indicator
- 8. Open discussion ideas / concerns
- 9. Next meeting date

THE SJNA. WHAT WE DO.

The City of Victoria has 10 neighbourhood associations, of which ours, South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association (SJNA) is one. As a registered society, we have an executive that administers the functioning of the neighbourhood association's business. What sorts of things do we do?

- ◆ Run our monthly plastics and electronics recycling depot
- ◆ Create a land use committee (as required by the city) to provide input into development issues in our neighbourhood, and to host public hearings, when necessary
- ◆ We will soon be involved in the once-a generation Jubilee Official Neighbourhood Plan, a long-range guide to development, amenities and cultural aspects of our area
- Liase with our city council and staff representatives, Pam Madoff and Kimberley Stratford

Spring is sprung in South Jubilee

- ◆ Host special city meetings from time to time, such as on the Oak Bay Bike Lane plan
- ◆ Publish and circulate this newsletter, as well as keep the SJNA website up to date

◆ Undertake special projects such as the 2017 purchase of our Community Trailer and funding for the new

Little Library situated in

Redfern Park

◆Speak for & represent the SJNA at city and public events as required

And of course if you want to see the SJNA at work, why not come to the monthly meetings? You'll hear and see some interesting stuff about the neighbourhood. Meetings generally last two hours and cover a lot of ground.

NEXT RECYCLING DATE

SATURDAY APRIL 14th 10 am -12 noon Plastic and electronics recycling is the 2nd Saturday of every month in the College of Art parking lot (corner of Bank and Leighton).

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

And remember, it's a great opportunity to meet and chat with your neighbours from the streets that make South Jubilee.

Go to southjubilee.ca/recycling.html for details of all the recycling we accept.

STREET HISTORY PROJECT

Every year the city makes available small grants to neighbourhood associations to fund special projects. For 2018, we received funding for a project to research the history of the street names within our area, and to install signs along Leighton Road, at the intersections, with a brief history of how each street got its name. Leighton Road is the one street that touches almost every block in our neighbourhood, and we would like to encourage it to become even more pedestrian-friendly.

Surprisingly, the city does not (that we have uncovered yet!) have a listing or database of the source of the street names in the city. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the research to uncover the origins of the street names, please contact me at travelmg@telus.net. It's fun detective work and maybe some of you already know the history of your street name and can email that in?

So far, we have uncovered the origins of the names Lee Ave, Davie, Fell, Amphion and Redfern streets. **MG**

DUCHESS STREET PLANS

On February 7, 2018, about 20 residents from the neighbourhood attended a presentation by Tony James of KPL James Architecture for a proposal at 1906/1912 Duchess (west corner of Duchess and Fort). The project would replace a 6-suite apartment and a single family dwelling.

The proposal is for a five storey 34-unit market rent apartment building. The main entrance will be off Fort Street. Underground parking will be accessed from Duchess Street. There will be a five storey blank wall facing south.

Residents voiced considerable concern about parking along Duchess. On-street parking is already at a premium given that a number of houses have no off-street parking and the street is often used by hospital workers/visitors. The modern appearance of the building was seen to be at odds with the heritage houses on the block. Requests were made to somehow reflect the heritage nature of the neighbourhood. If you have any questions about the project, email Tony James at tonyj@kpljames.com.

10 GREAT SPRINGTIME PLANTS FOR YOUR GARDEN

This time of year brings on an irresistible urge to plant growing things in many of us. For those with limited space, or who want maximum effect with less effort, here are some easy-peasy garden winners.

Five flowers that naturalize in your garden, come back every spring, and dry up and love to be forgotten over the dry summer months. No summertime watering required!

Anemone Blanda – low, blue, daisy like flowers.

Chionodoxa luciliae – low, blue, white or pink star-shaped flowers, will form carpets of colour in time.

Wallflowers – bedding plants with heavenly scent, nice in pots near where you walk, or to cut and bring inside. Loves sun.

Violas (Johnny-jump-ups) – bedding plants, similar to pansies, but smaller flowers and more resilient. Self seeding!

Lithodora "Grace Ward" – that brilliant blue flower that dazzles Victoria gardens in Apr/May. Must have sun.

And here are five easy edibles for spring and early summer eating: **Spinach** – loves lots of manure for big, juicy leaves! Seed or buy small bedding plants.

Arugula – if you can grow dandelions, you can grow and enjoy arugula. Good for a pot on balconies. Grow from seed, don't bother with bedding plants.

Snow peas – look for 6 pack bedding plants and easy to grow with a trellis or obelisk, but MUST be out of deer's reach! Their FAV! **Peppermint** – buy 1 - 4" plant, set in a decent sized pot and enjoy

fresh tea spring and summer.

Marjoram – buy a bedding plant or grow from seed.
The best, most under-utilized savoury herb!

Anemone Blanda



LIGHT SHIELDS FOR THE NEW STREET LIGHTS

As part of a long term cost-saving and infrastructure plan, the older sodium vapour street lights in Victoria have now been converted to LED lights. The new lights cast a more full spectrum, whiter light, which can provide better road visibility at night. This allows them to cast their light further than the old lights did. However, this has resulted in some "light pollution" as front yards now have a bright light on them all night. The good news is that the City of Victoria is aware of this. If you feel this is a problem (for your property) that needs to be remedied, you can contact the City of Victoria Public Works Dept. by phone or email and request they put up a 'light shield.' They will need your contact information and the exact location of the light. It will not be a high priority but will be completed as soon as possible. The shield allows light to still flood the street and sidewalk, but prevents unnecessary illumination of other property. Good luck! **Michael Pohlmann**

1906 OAK BAY AVENUE

Local property company Jawl Residential has entered into a joint venture with the existing owner of 1908-1920 Oak Bay Avenue for the ownership and future redevelopment of the property. While no development plans have been conceived at this time and existing tenancies are being respected, Jawl Residential is taking this opportunity to receive suggestions and input from the community in order to inform future development plans. Should you have any questions or wish to speak with a representative from Jawl Residential please contact Peter Jawl at pjawl@jawlresidential.com