



South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association Meeting

VICTORIA COLLEGE OF ART
1625 BANK STREET
Tuesday, April 5th 2016
7:00pm-9:00pm

1. Minutes of last meeting
2. Old Business
3. Report on Bikeatoria meeting
4. Barb Landell – Redfern Park
5. Change Smoke Alarms – Spring Ahead
6. Don/Ron/Kimberley – Book For Sign
7. David Stott – Feeding Ourselves and Others
8. Wayne Foster – Development of Bank Street
9. Skateboarding now permitted
10. New Business:
11. Next meeting:

LAND USE CHAIR WANTED

We need a new Land Use Chair. Many thanks to Tom Sellgren who performed the job for many years. He spent many hours at long meetings with the Royal Jubilee Hospital during the planning and building of the Patient Care Centre and the creation of the hospital's campus Master Plan. The job entails being the contact person for any development in the neighbourhood that involves rezoning. Also you may be contacted regarding development in adjacent neighbourhoods where development occurs on shared streets (North Jubilee, Rockland and Fairfield).

THREE NEIGHBOURHOOD GARDENERS

Spring is sprung and gardeners all over the neighbourhood are getting out there and growing. Here are just three of them—all different, talking about what they like to grow.

THE FLOWER GARDENER

“ When I was a child, we had a Victory Garden during the Second World War and I've never forgotten the magic of things sprouting up out of the soil. Our bulbs have finished, but there's plenty of time to plant now. I don't have a greenhouse anymore or space for seedlings so I buy plants these days—Victoria is a wonderful place for plant sales! My favourites are sedums, pinks, dwarf irises, phlox and of course, lavender. I always make sure I plant in groups of three, five or seven. In fact my gardening is a bit like painting in blocks of colour. Colours and scent are for me what gardening is all about and you can't beat the combined scent and colour of wallflowers, nigella, bachelor's buttons and lavender on a warm day. ~Marjory ”

THE BALCONY GARDENER

“ My grandparents had a small farm in Alberta and when I moved to an apartment in Victoria, I wanted to keep growing things. There are so many ingenious ways now, and this year I've graduated to a vertical planter made out of a pallet with my pots hanging from the gaps between the slats. Our balcony is south-east facing, so we get enough sun. I like to make my own teas, so I grow lemon verbena, also lots of herbs, three different thymes, parsley, chives and sage and I've learnt that mint is a thug—should be corralled in a separate pot, and of course being on a third floor we don't have problems with either deer or dandelions! ~Jessica ”



NEXT RECYCLING DATE

Next plastic, batteries, light bulbs, small appliances and electronics recycling is Saturday, April 9th in the 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. Please go to the sjna website for a complete list of what we do and don't take: www.southjubilee.ca

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.



NEWSLETTER DELIVERY PERSON WANTED FOR DAVIE STREET

Newsletter delivery person for Davie Street - Michael Best, long time South Jubilee resident, one of the founders of the South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association and Editor of the early newsletters, has been the delivery person for Davie Street since the newsletter started. He is moving to James Bay. Thanks, Michael, for all your contributions to the neighbourhood. The route has about 35 newsletters and takes 20 minutes five times a year.

NOVEMBER EDITOR NEEDED

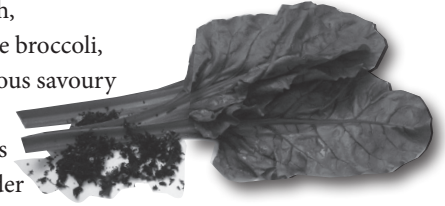
Newsletter Editor - We need someone to edit the newsletter for November. This would be a once-a-year job. You might have to write an article or two depending on how much content you get from residents. The perfect opportunity to get your thoughts published!



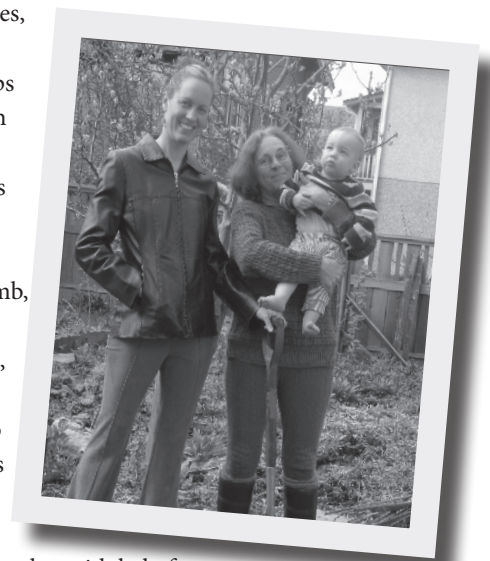
Say to a neighbour you don't know, it makes the world go round.!

THE VEGETABLE GARDENER

“Seedtime and harvest... Yes, I'm a city-dweller, but there's rich soil in our small city lot and that, along with some attention to planting, mulching, composting and keeping an eye on weeds provides two households with fresh, safe vegetables year round. Right now in March, we're enjoying leeks, purple broccoli, black kale, chard, and various savoury herbs. In a south window, kale, cabbage and tomatoes are sprouting. Outside under a plastic shelter ripening fruit hangs determinedly on a meyer lemon shrub, now in it's fourth year.



What else will grow as the year progresses? For sure rhubarb, black, red and white currants, pears, raspberries, strawberries, peas, beans, broad beans, salad greens, beets, curly kale, welsh onions. Maybe spinach, cucumbers, squash, zucchini, corn, Brussels sprouts, parsnips, radishes, carrots - though we usually find root crops and corn are iffy, spinach bolts, and the squash family is stingy. Our kids are grown and gone, but one still comes by with her very green thumb, bringing her toddlers. As they play in the earth, so they watch and learn. They learn to be quiet so birds hop close, that kids can eat wild cress, seeds will sprout with soil and water, and they'll discover that with help from their Mum, good food grows in Nana and Grandad's garden. ~Ruth



UPCOMING EVENT

Creatively United for the Planet, an event dedicated to empowering communities and individuals to take better care of the Earth, is having its annual event on April 15 and 16, at Royal Bay Secondary School in Colwood and April 22 and 23 at Royal BC Museum. There are both free and ticketed sessions during the event, with talks, live music, displays, a repair workshop and much more.

Go to creativelyunited.org for details.