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Falaise Focus

Falaise Community Association Newsletter



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Message from Your Interim President

Welcome to the FCA newsletter. I'm Sue Maitland and I'll be Interim President and Bob Lucy will be Interim Treasurer until the AGM in November as a result of Franca LaBella and Marilyn Vogt stepping down from these roles. We'll miss them as they move to a new home outside the Falaise Community. We really appreciate all the great work they have done for our community over many years.

Your FCA Executive was delighted with the turnout of **over 40** people for the meeting on February 18th at Sequoia Gardens where Trevor McCall revealed plans for an expanded state of the art event centre. We appreciate them meeting with us, inviting feedback on their plan, and being willing to hold another meeting once their plans are further refined.

We've sent a **letter** thanking Trevor McCall for meeting with us and highlighting our key concerns, with a copy to the Mayor and Council. We'll send the community another notice when the next meeting date is set.

Please check out the rest of this newsletter for upcoming events. We're feeling an increasing sense of community in our neighborhood and an interest in getting to know one another. We hope our planned events will continue to foster these connections.

Improved Pathway

The FCA Environmental sub-committee led by Mac Nanton and Terri Birmingham met with City of Saanich officials to discuss a number of community concerns. Of immediate interest is the pathway upgrade between Royal Oak Drive and Falaise Drive. The pathway will replace the existing narrow pathway along the Highway 17 on-ramp.

The pathway will be widened to 3 metres and a painted centre line will be added, similar to the multi-

use pathway connecting the top of Falaise Drive to Cherry Tree Bend.

Signs will be added to each end of the pathway. Trees will also be added but the number and type of trees is not yet decided.

The pathway is a pedestrian and bicycle connector to the pathway at the end of Falaise Drive.

For more information or to join the Environmental subcommittee, call Mac, Terri, or Sue.



Coming Events

May 23 Garage Sale Aug 15 Community picnic Nov 3 AGM

Tools &Skills Co-op

If you need a tool for spring cleaning or you have a tool you are willing to share with your neighbours, remember to check with our new tool and skills co-op. Call Bob at (250) 479-6184 or email boblucy@shaw.ca.

Thank you!

Thank you to all of the Broadmead businesses, who provided prizes for the Christmas Lights Festival, including:

- · Ross at Canadian Tire
- · Virginia at Dig This
- Nancy at Café Mexigo
- Craig at the Running Room
- Mohammed, Derrick and Glazel at CIBC
- · Bianca at Felice Salon
- Mike at Pets West
- · Gordon at Thrifty's
- Pharmasave and Romeo's

Thank you to all Falaise residents who attended this fun event. Your generous donations to the Mustard Seed and the SPCA were much appreciated.

Thank you to Berwick Royal Oak for providing us with a regular meeting space.

Contact us

EMAIL: falaisecommunity@gmail.com

Garage Sale

May 23, 9 am to 12 noon

If you have stuff you'd like to get rid of, this is the ideal way to do it. We take care of the advertising, signs, and balloons. All you need to do is organize your items.

All FCA members can participate in the sale for **FREE**. Non-members may join in for \$10 which will be collected during the sale.



Community Picnic and Homecoming

August 15 2 pm to 4 pm



Building on the huge success of the unveiling of the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Falaise Gap signs last August, we are having a community picnic and homecoming for everyone in the Falaise community, both current and past residents.

We will provide **free** hot dogs with all the trimmings and Sue may even make her famous onions!

There will be **games** for the kids, so bring along your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, or your friend's kids! Bring a blanket or chair and a donation for the Mustard Seed food bank or the SPCA.

Annual General Meeting

November 3 at 7 pm

Save the date! Bring y ideas for our community to the AGM which will be held at the Seguoia Gardens.

Join a FCA Committee

We welcome your involvement in our community. Maybe you would like to deliver newsletters, help out at a social event, or participate on a committee.

We are currently recruiting members for three subcommittees:

Environmental – chaired by Mac Nanton

Social – chaired by Lucas Gerry

Communications and Membership – chaired by Terri Birmingham

To join a committee, call Sue or the committee chair to express your interest. Our community is the smallest in Saanich with only 192 residences on 9 streets! Yet we currently have the highest community association membership rate in greater Victoria at 78%!

Each of us has something to contribute to this great community.

