# FALAISE FOCUS

The Newsletter of the Falaise Community Association (FCA)

### **Notice**

Falaise Community Association
Annual General Meeting

### Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Sequoia Gardens Memorial 4655 Falaise Drive

Registration and information 6:45 – 7:15 pm Annual General Meeting begins 7:30 pm (Door prizes!!)

(Please arrive a little early if you wish to run for a position on the board or wish to vote and have not already had an opportunity to join the association (annual membership fee - \$10 per household))



### Guest Speaker: Cory Manton

Manager, Urban Forestry, Horticulture and Natural Areas, Saanich Parks and Recreation Department

- Trees and planting in the Falaise Community neighbourhood (see Beautification Project information in this newsletter)
- A new Saanich initiative to work in conjunction with community associations in our neighbourhoods

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### President's Message

The Falaise Community is small in size but has a big spirit – we care about our neighbourhood. Over the years we, as a community through FCA, have worked to make this a better place to live and raise our families by pursuing improvements to our neighbourhood park and expanding the level of green vegetation in the area.

This past year has seen results from these efforts with the revitalization of Falaise Park by Saanich Parks and Recreation thanks to funding from the Recreation Infrastructure Canada (RinC) Program. The reinstituted Falaise Drive Beautification Project (FDBP), which begun in 2002, is now progressing along thanks to the support of Saanich Parks and Recreation with the expectation that planting will begin this year. FCA is also pleased to announce that we have been able to secure additional funds for FDBP through a Saanich matching grant that will allow more planting of trees and vegetation along Falaise Drive. This year also saw the establishment of our own website at www.falaise.ca, although still in the development stage, it has the promise of providing a forum for posting newsletters, historic information and updates on our community. The FCA board is looking forward to the upcoming community garage sale ...so circle May 22<sup>nd</sup> on your calendars and get out your garage "saleables" and let's make it the biggest and best yet! I have been very privileged to work with a fabulous group of volunteers on the Board this past year and I want to thank each and every one of them for their support and incredible efforts on behalf of the Falaise community. Please join us at the Annual General Meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> and join FCA – it's a great community let's make it even better...see you then!... Margaret Klatt, 2010-2011 President FCA

### 2011 - 2012 Elections of FCA Executive Board

The Falaise Community Association Executive Board is an elected group of volunteer residents who represent the Falaise Community for a 12-month term commencing after the Annual General Meeting and serving until elections the following year. The FCA Executive Board consists of a minimum of five members, three of which hold an officer position: President, Secretary and Treasurer. The board has a maximum of nine members, four of which hold officer positions with the inclusion of Vice-President.

Nominations can be made to the Nominations Returning Officer: Deb Bonderud - 4646 Falaise Drive

Current FCA Executive Board:		Election Slate for 2011- 2012
President	Margaret Klatt	Open for Nominations - Incumbent has agreed to stand
Secretary	Sue Maitland	Open for Nominations Incumbent has agreed to stand
Treasurer	Colin Boog	Open for Nominations
Directors	Richard Atwell	Open for Nominations
	Deb Bonderud	Open for Nominations
	Laura Cammiade	Open for Nominations
	Vinnie Gill	Open for Nominations – Incumbent has agreed to stand
	Maureen Paterson	Open for Nominations – incumbent has agreed to stand





## FALAISE COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE! SUNDAY, MAY 22<sup>ND</sup> 9:00am-1:00pm

The FCA is coordinating the neighbourhood garage sale once again.

It's a great opportunity to "Spring clean" and get rid of items you no longer need or use. It's also a great community event and a great way to get out and meet your neighbours!

**NEW** .....This year, in addition to individual households participating in the garage sale, the FCA will be hosting a BBQ and will have a group sale table.

<u>All</u> proceeds from the BBQ and sales from the group table will go directly towards the Falaise Drive Beautification Project.

The FCA is gladly accepting donated items for the group sale table from anyone who may not wish to participate in the garage sale. The items should be portable and in <u>saleable</u> condition. Donated items may be dropped off at 4646 Falaise Drive anytime <u>after 9 am</u>. on Saturday, May 21. The sale will be advertised in the newspaper and there be lots of signs and balloons to bring people to the event! Fee for each participating household is \$10 (see attached remittance slip).

### Tips for a great sale (excerpt from following page):

- Be ready for the 9am start
- Items should be in saleable condition, still working and clean
- Display clothing items on a hanger or rack
- Have lots of change

Contact person for the garage sale:

**Deb Bonderud, FCA Director:** 

250-479-0836

4646 Falaise Drive

### FCA - Annual Garage Sale

- \$10 per Household

Information and Tips for a Successful Sale

### What to Sell:

- Anything that can still be useful and some value
- · Nostalgia items sell well. Display them prominently
- Antiques command a healthy price
- · Chest of drawers, bookcases and tables are successful items
- Appliances, tools and garden equipment should be labelled "working" or "needs repair"
- Clothing must be clean and easy to see, preferably on hangers labelled with size
- Safety standards on some items may have changed since the time the item was produced and sold (eg. Children's toys, furniture & play equipment) Inform customers that items are purchased at their own risk
- Plants well too!

### How to Set Up:

- Collect all the items you wish to sell and put them together prior to the sale.
- If the weather is nice, move the items outside, just before the starting time. If the weather doesn't cooperate, be prepared to hold it inside your garage or under a covered area instead
- Mark prices clearly on each item. Price reasonably garage sales are for the bargain hunters. Higher prices can be assigned to brand new items or antiques.
- Write an inventory list of all items which you wish to track. Cross them off as they sell.
- Have a place to pay for items. One idea that works well for controlling the money is a
  carpenter's apron, as the money is always close at hand. Be sure to have sufficient funds. This
  includes a good supply of coin to be able to make change on the smaller items you sell.
- Make sure all pets are secured and away from the sale area. You don't want your customers frightened away by a barking dog or an overly affectionate cat.

### Length of the sale: 9 am to 1 pm

- The start time has been adjusted to allow time to prepare. There are always "Early Birds" so be prepared.
- We are extending it just past the lunchtime to allow the later visitors an opportunity.

### Signage for the Event:

Street signs, directional arrows and markers will be posted <u>by community association</u>
 <u>volunteers</u>. This will direct traffic into the area. Any signs provided by FCA will be picked up
 after the sale and recycled for the next year's sale

### Falaise Community Association Website!!

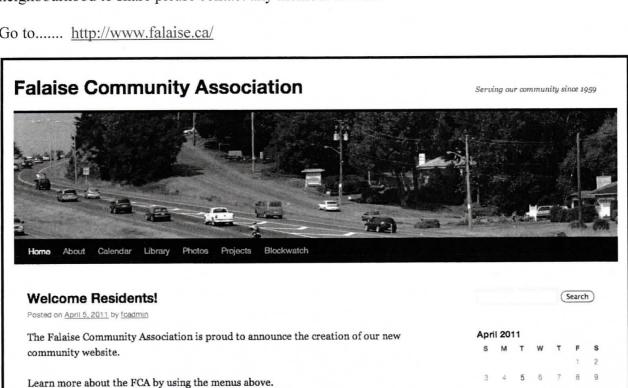
Update from: Richard Atwell, (Director and Website Creator)

For the latest Falaise Community news, come visit our new website. Learn about upcoming community events and keep informed with updates from Saanich Municipal Hall.

Comment on projects and share your ideas. If you have photos or information on our neighbourhood to share please contact any member of FCA.

Go to...... http://www.falaise.ca/

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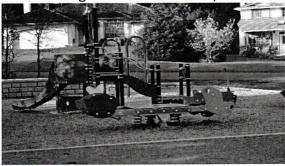


### Falaise Park

**Update from: Maureen Paterson (Director)** 



The play ground with its new equipment and at its new location closer to the perimeter of the park seems to lend itself to easier access for the young and not so young. New equipment was provided through the federal RinC Program and installed by Saanich Parks and Recreation....



A year has passed quickly since the April 2010 work party for clearing out the broom and other invasive species. If the weather had been better we would have had another work party this spring. Now that the wildflowers are blooming we will wait till fall when we will be seeking volunteers.

Lots of sunny and warm days are hoped for so that the whole community can enjoy the park.



p s check out www.falaise.ca

### FCA Newsletter Advertising...Is your ad in?

Check out the last page of this newsletter for some examples!

Did you know that FCA accepts advertising for our newsletter?

The charge is \$20 for a business card size ad (Approx this size!). The Falaise Community encompasses almost 200 homes and the FCA newsletter is delivered to each home in the area (not just members of FCA) If you are interested please contact the President or Treasurer of FCA



### Falaise Drive Beautification Project (FDBP)

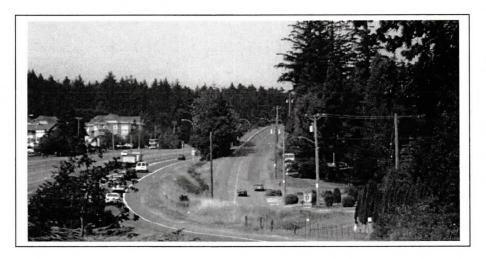
Update from: Colin Boog, (Treasurer and FBDP Project lead)

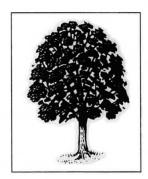


As mentioned in our newsletter in December, the Falaise Drive Beautification began in 2002 and has been on our "wish list" for the community since that time. Over the last two years the FCA has been actively pursuing this project and we are pleased that this project has been well received and supported by Saanich.

The FCA project team now has their commitment to plant trees both in the ditch and in front yards (adjacent to the road) of the homes facing the ditch. The homeowners will be given the choice if they would like a tree or not but homeowners who receive a tree are being asked to water the tree every 10 days for the next 3-4 years. Saanich has a variety of trees available for planting but they have a few recommendations. They are recommending Flowering Pear for the homes facing the ditch and Douglas Fir, Oak and Maple for the ditch itself. As the project proceeds either this spring or late fall, the Falaise Community Association will assist Saanich in the project and provide additional plants and/or shrubs to enhance the low lying cover in the ditch. As always, these will be non-invasive species and everything will be done to ensure all the trees and shrubs thrive and beautify the ditch for a long time to come. Donations can be made at our local Coast Capital Savings by referring to the FCA account. Donations anywhere from \$50 to \$300 are welcome. A donation of \$300 is equivalent to donating a full tree.

For further information please contact Colin Boog or Margaret Klatt. They can be reached at 250 813 1310 or 250 744 2297.





### **FALAISE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

### A Registered Non-Profit Society

FCA is the second oldest community association in Saanich, with records dating back to 1959 We are a registered non-profit society that is governed by a formal constitution and by-laws. Annually an Executive Board of volunteers is elected to work on the behalf of the residents of our small geographical area. We are a member of SCAN (Saanich Community Association Network) a forum where we participate in a community dialogue about issues in Saanich. Our name is the key to the region we represent, referring to the two main feeder streets, with various cul-de-sacs.

### **Falaise Crescent**

- Falaise Place
- Law Place
- Southover Lane
- Deventer Drive

### **Falaise Drive**

- Royal Wood Place
- Royal Wood Court
- Adeline Place

Map - District of Saanich -GIS Map Service

Copies of the FCA Constitution and By-laws are available from the FCA Treasurer for a nominal charge of \$2.

### Remember Upcoming Events!!

Sunday, May 22 Time: 9 am to 1 pm.

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Location: Throughout the Falaise Community neighbourhood

Garage Sale Fee: \$10 per participating household (re: costs of advertising etc.)

Tuesday, June 7 Time: doors open at 6:45 pm; AGM begins at 7:30 pm

Annual General Location: Sequoia Gardens Memorial

Meeting 4665 Falaise Drive
Guest Speaker: Cory Manton, Saanich Parks & Recreation



### 2011 Fee Remittance Form

Please complete this form and return it with your Payment to the attention of:

FCA Treasurer Colin Boog 813 Royal Wood Place

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Please give serious consideration to joining FCA. The fees per household are very reasonable and the greater the number of residents who are members, the greater the ability the FCA Executive have to influence Council and its committees when discussing our community needs or concerns.

# FALAISE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

# 813 Royal Wood Place **FCA Treasurer COLIN BOOG**



FCA would like to thank Dean Freer and Sequoia Gardens for again kindly providing a location for our Annual General Meeting – June 7, 2011.



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