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The Seymour Eagle

The Seymour Community Association Newsletter

GVRD PRESENTATION – April 18, 2007

The presentation by the GVRD on April 18 proved to be a most interesting one. Members were shown slides of the tunnel which is being bored some 180 feet below the surface between the Seymour water treatment plant and the water treatment facility in the Capilano water reserve. It was an extremely interesting presentation and a number of questions were asked of the presenters following the slide show. The GVRD sent three members of its staff and the presentation was very well done.

Following the presentation Councillor Mike Little joined those present for conversation, coffee and cookies and Members had a chance to discuss issues of importance to them in a casual and comfortable atmosphere.



ROCHE POINT TRAIL

On Saturday, April 21, 2007, under sunny and warm blue skies, the Roche Point Trail was officially opened by Graham Nell from the Parks Department. Councillor Janice Harris graciously agreed to cut the ribbon. Councillor Mike Little was also in attendance with his young family as were several other members of the community. Keith Dunn was present, a young man who has worked tirelessly to make the trail a possibility. David Cook has the highest praise for Keith's efforts as, without them, the trail would not have become a reality. David feels assured that the creation of this trail will protect the Roche Point Forest for future generations to come.

The Seymour Community is now blessed with another trail, a well planted, well groomed and usable trail which will enable residents of Raven woods to reach Parkgate in a reasonably efficient and ecologically sensitive manner. The trail is wheelchair and stroller accessible and welcomes dogs on leash.

Our kudos go out to all those members of the community that helped to make this happen. Please take a few moments to walk the trail – a weekend or evening stroll, so that you can appreciate what a wonderful creation it has become.

The Seymour Community Association meets at the Parkgate Community Centre, Seniors' Multipurpose Centre. The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.** All members of the community are encouraged to attend, participate in discussions of interest to the community and listen to guest speakers presenting on topics of interest.

The Seymour Eagle welcomes contributions of interest to the community. Members may place personal ads regarding goods or services. Non-members will be charged a fee of \$5.00 to place advertisements, that fee will include membership in the community association for residents of Seymour. All advertisements will be screened by the Editorial Board and if deemed inappropriate, monies will be returned to the interested parties and the advertisements will not be placed.

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DOUG MACKAY-DUNN'S BID FOR THE CONSERVATIVE NOMINATION



As many of you will be aware, a resident of Seymour, Doug MacKay-Dunn, plans to run for the Conservative Party nomination in mid June. Doug was a founding Member of the Seymour Community Association and for many years he contributed a great deal to our meetings until he was elected to the District Council. Doug's platform includes Justice Reform, More Help from Ottawa on Infrastructure Projects for North Vancouver, Support for Public Recreation, Detox and Rehab for Persons with Substance Abuse Problems and Support for Their Families, Environmental Protection and Affordable Housing. If you wish to find out more about Doug MacKay-Dunn and his progress, go to www.dougmackay-dunn.ca or if you wish to contact Doug personally, please go to the website and follow the links.



SEYLYNN DEVELOPMENT

Seylynn development continues to be a hot topic of conversation in the District of North Vancouver with comments pro and con in the North Shore News. The developer, Mr. Hynes, continues to work with the Ministry of Highways re the possibility of an east-west connector and some changes to Mountain Highway which may benefit travelers from Seymour and Lynn Valley. I am sure we will all continue to watch with interest as the scenario unfolds.



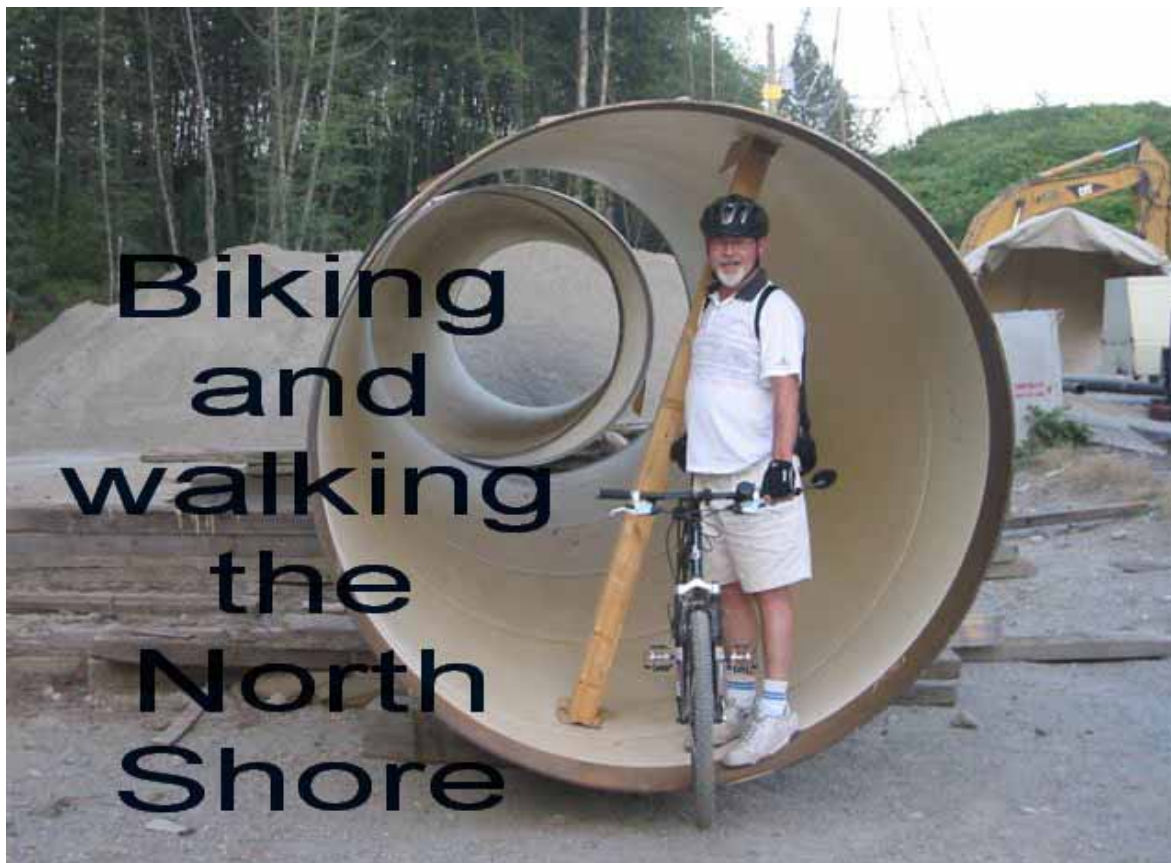
UPDATE AND LETTER TO POLICE DEPARTMENT RE STUDENT SAFETY AT PHIBBS

Following our meeting in March a letter was sent to the Community Liaison Officer, Sergeant J. Arduini at the North Vancouver RCMP Detachment regarding a problem at the Seymour School and street racing on Carnation Street and a further problem which involves robberies at knifepoint at Phibbs Exchange around the time of the last transit service.

Surprisingly, no reply or even acknowledgement of the letter was received from the RCMP Detachment in North Vancouver but a copy of the letter had been sent to Customer Relations at Translink and a telephone call was received from the Transit Security offices a few days after the letter went out. Some discussion was had with the security officer regarding the safety issues at Phibbs Exchange and following that telephone discussion, it has been noted that Transit Police have been at Phibbs Exchange around 1:00 a.m. on several nights around the time of the last transit service, a time when many young people are heading home from social activities in Vancouver. Thank you BC Transit for acknowledging the problem and taking the effort to address it.

Although the RCMP have not acknowledged the difficulties on Carnation, Eric Anderson from the Blueridge Community Association has been in contact with the residents in the area and that Community Association is working to try and resolve the problem. I have been informed that they have arranged a meeting with the community liaison officer for the District of North Vancouver to try and come up with a solution.

INTERESTED IN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION?



Please come out to our next meeting when John Fair will share his years of experience on where to walk and cycle safely in North Vancouver. He will also provide tips on buying a new bike and how to dress for the weather.

Wednesday, May 16, 2007

7:30 p.m.

**Seniors' Multipurpose Room
Parkgate Community Centre**

**HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE!
(Time permitting, there will be a short business meeting to follow)**

CATES PARK CLEAN UP

The clean up effort continues at Cates Park. We have lost a great number of beautiful trees in the windstorms earlier this year. If you have not already done so, take a few minutes to drive by the park and see the changes that have taken place now that the fallen trees have been removed. I am sure you will be surprised by the large open areas now apparent.

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If you have an excess number of visitors this summer, perhaps for a family wedding or reunion, consider our bed and breakfast. Your guests will sleep comfortably but still be close enough to entertain with ease.

For information regarding costs and booking, please contact John or Susan Bookless at the numbers listed to the left. Photos are available upon request.