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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Cordova Bay Association will be held on Thursday, April 29, 1999 at 7:30 pm in the Cordova Bay United Church Hall at 813 Claremont Avenue.

The Agenda includes reports from the President, Treasurer and Planning Committee, as well as elections of a new executive.

Now is the time for you to express your concerns about or give your approval to what is currently going on in Cordova Bay and what will be happening in Cordova Bay in the near future.

Over the past several years, there have been many changes to the area, and more are on the way. Cordova Bay is becoming 'the place to live', and with this enthusiasm for Cordova Bay comes new housing and commercial development. Development will continue to take place. For some, no development should be the order of the day, but this is not possible. Development will take place. The question is, what type of development will it be?

One of the exciting projects being constructed is the condominiums overlooking the golf count, most of which I believe have been spoken for. There will be townhouses and condos developed in the two gravel pits sometime in the future. These developments will allow residents of Cordova Bay to stay in the area when they no longer want to maintain their single-family dwelling.

Come out to the meeting and express your point of view about the future of Cordova Bay. Our guest speaker will be Mayor Frank Leonard, who will answer questions about the Municipality of Saanich.

I hope to meet you on April 29, 1999.

Donald Johannessen
President

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Pedestrian Safety on Del Monte Avenue

Del Monte Avenue is unique wherein the 1/2 mile from Claremont north to Walema carries city bound traffic from 14 variously named, blind side-streets and over 230 homes. i.e. most of the ridge top traffic north of Claremont.

The roadway, of varying width and curved, with two right-angle turns, is particularly hazardous for the many children and pedestrians, there being no sidewalks. For over three years residents have been asking for a chip trail or gravel footpath on one side - particularly between Claremont and Del Monte Lane which is the most dangerous portion. A petition was circulated to this end, with few rejections and securing 195 signatures from 158 homes. (Over 70 homes were unoccupied when solicited).

Saanich proposed a lot tax of \$18.69 per year for 10 years on 253 properties (total levy ~ \$47,500) for a \$28,000 chip trail to Walema. Though the area contributes ~ \$600,000 annually we believed that residents might accept a \$10 charge per year for 10 years (\$25,000) with the Municipality paying the rest. Apparently, this is illegal (Municipal Act) and so it comes down to all or nothing.

Believing that \$25,000 (to cover a chip trail to Del Monte Lane) is a pittance, and that one pedestrian injury could cost much more, we have asked Council to bear this modest amount.

If you care, then do write to the Mayor and Council and have your resident alderman Wergeland sponsor your views. Perhaps nothing will happen if you don't - except a serious accident one day.

R. Sutherland, 658-3105

The Cordova Bay Association is looking for more members on the Executive.

At the Annual General Meeting on April 29th, there are five positions up for re-election for a two year term. The Association is always eager to include new faces in the executive.

The executive as elected is responsible for addressing community issues and keeping residents of Cordova Bay informed of matters of common interest. To date, the Planning Committee is usually the most active.

The executive the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm for about 1.5 hours. If you are interested in putting your name forward or would like more information, please contact Christian Janssen, Nominations Chair, at 658-4242

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This list is far from complete, many other conditions may be treatable.

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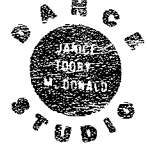
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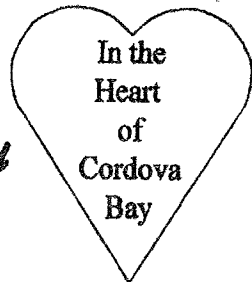
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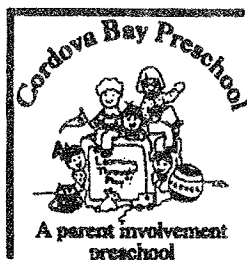
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REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00 a.m. Christian Education for all ages
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Visitors are welcome at all services

Easter Services:

April 2, 1999 Good Friday Service at 10:30 a.m.
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April 4, 1999 Easter Sunday Service at 10:30 a.m.

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- Bible Study Group: Fri: 10:00 am
4918 Alamida Cres
- Prayer /Healing Ministry: Thurs: 10:30 am
In the church

SERVICE TIMES

EVERY SUNDAY:

8:00 a.m.....Holy Eucharist (said)
10:00 a.m..... Family Eucharist/ Sunday School

1st SUNDAY OF MONTH:

7:30 p.m. Evensong

EVERY THURSDAY:

10:00 a.m.Holy Eucharist (said)

EASTER SERVICES

APRIL 1 Maundy Thursday
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

APRIL 2 Good Friday
10:00 a.m.Holy Eucharist
4:00 p.m.....Evensong

APRIL 4 EASTER DAY:

8:00 a.m.....Holy Eucharist (said)
10:00 a.m.....Family Eucharist/Sunday School
7:30 p.m.....Evensong

SPECIAL SERVICES:

MAY 13 Ascension Day 7:30 pm Holy Eucharist

On APRIL 30th we enjoy our regular Friday Evening Fellowship – beginning at 7:00 p.m. – in the Parish Hall. These events are meant for parishioners and friends to get together and enjoy an evening of fun, laughter and fellowship.

Did you hear about the former chorister who was asked why she had given up singing in the church choir. "I was absent one Sunday" she replied, "and somebody asked if the organ had been mended".

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Lost Cat Update

Coco, the Sealpoint Himalayan that has been missing from home since August is still seen on a frequent basis in the Sea-Mist area. He is very nervous of people and won't as yet allow anyone to approach. His owner is still very anxious to have him home. If you have any information please call Rosalie Davis at 658-1230 or Pam Lewis from the Pet's Hotline at 658-5039.

5th Tsarlip Scouts

Spring break marked the beginning of the Scout's camping season with a four day camp at Marble Bay at Lake Cowichan. Outdoor skills and spring camping were the main focus along with campfires and fun. The Scouts also toured the USS Abraham Lincoln on the first day of the break and a great time was had by all.

Gordon Christie and his Beaver colony enjoyed a sleep-over camp at St. David's; all those attending had a fun filled time and plans are underway for a spring camp at Sooke's Camp Barnard.

Leslie, Peter, Nick and their Cub pack enjoyed the annual Cub Kar Rally; some beautiful cars were made and raced by the boys and by the end of March, we hope all their kites have be finished and are ready to take flight.

February 17th marked our first 5th Tsartlip Baden Powell Dinner, where Scouts, Cubs and Beavers all joined in. Skits and songs were performed while the Scouts served dinner. A big thank you to the Cordova Bay United Church's Rev. Skinner and Linda Snelling for allowing us the use of their facilities; the Church's sponsorship is much valued.

We will be having a bottle drive on April 17th; flyers will be delivered and your donations are greatly appreciated. Please hang on to those refundable bottles, we'll be there soon to collect.

It's never too late to join our troupe, pack or colony, you don't need to wait until September. If you have questions re: registering your child (boy or girl) or would like to volunteer as a leader, please call Gary at 658-1574.

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PLANNING REPORT - JANUARY 1999

submitted by Al Insley

The January report noted that Cordova Bay was part way through the several decisions on planning and permits, which will have a major effect on the Bay. The only ones still to be decided at the time of this writing are Trio Gravel pit and the funding question for the Cordova Bay Road Streetscape.

Up to now approvals have been given for:

- The new Local Area Plan.
- Sayward Hill development (the old Municipal gravel pit).
- Design of the north end of the Cordova Bay Road Streetscape.

Proposals were rejected for :

- a pub licence for the Cordova Express restaurant.
- the Payless Gas expansion.

The present status of development plans is:

1 TRIO GRAVEL PIT

The often-postponed Public Hearing on Trios' application for residential zoning came before Saanich Council on March 16, 1999. It was well attended. A number of speakers identified aspects of the plans, which would have a negative effect on their residential property despite the large benefit from closing the pit. Sightlines, the 6 storey building prospect, and saving the existing surrounding trees were the main items. However, although the rezoning would be contingent on a Covenant between Saanich and Trio to close all pit operations within a certain length of time after residential zoning approval, several people pointed out that different interpretations of the Covenant were possible. It had been expected that this certain length of time would be 4 years, but Trio agreed that under their interpretation of the Covenant this could be an indefinite time. Agreement was not reached and the Hearing was adjourned until April 12.

2 CORDOVA EXPRESS RESTAURANT

This has been a controversial subject in Cordova Bay for many years. There was an application and referendum rejecting the proposal in 1989. In 1996 and 1997 there were applications to Saanich Council to consider the rezoning without a referendum, which were rejected because Council policy for all pub applications require a referendum. The referendum was held Feb. 26- Mar. 27, 1998, and results made known in May 1998, with 65.9% opposed. If any person felt there was anything improper in the conduct of the referendum there were 30 days in April in which to appeal. No appeal was made. Later in the year, the restaurant owner requested that the rezoning application be heard by Council. Before the application came to Council on Feb. 8, 1999, the restaurant owner carried out a petition in Cordova Bay, which obtained many signatures indicating a majority of residents were in favour. The petition however did not meet provincial government or Saanich requirements that a referendum be carried out by a disinterested and qualified polling firm within a 400 m radius. Council rejected both the application on Feb. 8 and an appeal to reconsider on Mar. 1, 1998.

3 CORDOVA PLAZA

The application for a development permit came before Council on Jan. 19, 1999. There had been a number of meetings with community and neighbours about the proposed design over the previous 2 years. Council passed a motion approving the development subject to resolution of rooftop parking, which was opposed by the immediate neighbours. Agreement was reached to have no rooftop parking, but to provide additional underground parking and rearranged surface parking such that the new Plaza would be 11 spaces short of Saanich requirements. Council accepted a variance agreeing to that number.

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We understand that the first activity on site will be assembly of temporary bank buildings on the Cordova Bay Road - Doumac corner. The architect is working on construction drawings for the remaining new Plaza buildings.

4 SAYWARD HILL

On March 3 Council heard an application from Cordova Bay Golf Course to expand the class 'A' liquor licence from the existing capacity. The proposal is for one licence although it would also cover the new clubhouse on the new 9-hole golf course. Although the original application was for an expansion of 60 indoor seats and 40 outdoor seats, this was revised to 16 indoor seats and 28 outdoor seats.

It was noted that unlike the Neighbourhood Pub process (a class 'D' licence) a referendum is not required to determine the position of surrounding residents. The Committee of the Whole hearing provides the public with an opportunity to express their opinion. The revised application was passed by Council.

5 CORDOVA BAY ROAD STREETSCAPE

The Steetscape Committee has not met and there is no progress to report.

6 EXTENSION OF SEWER ENTERPRISE BOUNDARY

The residential property owners on Cordova Bay Road between the intersection with Blenkinsop and the Mt Douglas park boundary made an application for sanitary sewers. This will be considered with other applications in the spring of this year.

7 BLENKINSOP LAKE BRIDGE

Council considered this at the Feb.17, 1999 meeting and resolved to proceed. It will be a timber trestle bridge. Applications for funding have now been made. Although this is not in Cordova Bay, it connects to Lochside trail and it is expected there will be an increase in bicycle and foot traffic coming into Cordova Bay on Lochside.

KIWANIS SPRING PLANT & GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY MAY 8, 1999

COMMUNITY HALL, SUTCLIFFE ROAD

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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George 658-5773, Lyall 658-5336, Mickey 727-3625, Edwin 658-8283



Kiwaniis Club of Cordova Bay

With the the Flower Count over and the sun becoming a more frequent visitor, Summer cannot be very far away. But the needs of others is always foremost in the minds of The Cordova Bay Kiwanis. On 27 March you will see our members outside the Food Forum in Cordova Bay and also Thrifty Foods at Broadmead ready to receive your donations of food or money to our Easter Food Drive for the benefit of the Mustard Seed Food Bank. Help us fill the barrels.

As you prepare your planters, hanging baskets and flowerbeds make a note that May 8th is the date of our Spring Plant and Garage Sale, considered by many to be the best one day sale in the district. Come along early and take advantage of excellent plants and items for sale. The sale will be at the Community Hall, on Sutcliffe.

In February Lt. Governor Keith Myers officiated at the induction of our two new members Annette Weatherley and Sheri Galey. After a delicious meal prepared by Finnigans' Catering, our two guest speakers Luzy and Alvara, both Salvadorans, spoke to us about EL SALVADOR and covered: population, investment, development, tourism, political and economic issues. They revealed that they did have difficulty understanding why Honduras received so much publicity during and after Hurricane Mitch considering that El Salvador also suffered great damage and loss of life.

The District Convention in Port Alberni 12 -14 March had representation from clubs on Vancouver Island,

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After dinner at our first March meeting Mr. Paul Hopkins of the UVIC Speakers Bureau spoke to us about an enduring ethnic/cultural slavic people known as the Kashubians. Residents of an area of northern Poland, they have survived centuries of encroachment by neighbouring countries, and several partitionings of Poland. They occupy most of the area west of the city of Gdansk and Gulf of Danzig, part of the area historically known as Pomerania. Now, since the 1945 border solutions that gave Poland more seashore and most of their original lands the Kashubians are feeling more secure and have begun to try and preserve their own distinct language ,culture and customs. They now have their own school text books and recently, and for the first time, have a New Testament printed in the Kashubian language.

Did you know that: In the past ten years The Cordova Bay Kiwanis have purchased 160 new, relatively expensive books for the permanent libraries of four area schools ?? In each book is a plate inscribed with the name of a student who has contributed to the well-being of his/her school. Each of these students also receives a Certificate of Recognition as a memento of the occasion.

Our dinner meetings are held at the Lochside Park Soccer Club on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Please see page 11 for the Kiwanis Garage Sale Notice

Chess Club

Play or Learn

Chess Club activities continue each Wednesday from 7 to 10:30 p.m. in Room 220 of Claremont Secondary School.

Everyone is welcome, young and old, especially beginners.

Junior Chess Tournament for children on Feb. 6/99. Up to age 18 (5 rounds) at Claremont School.

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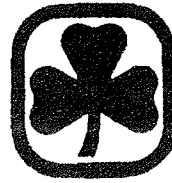


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The early spring is always a busy time for the Guiding movement. All of the units celebrate Thinking Day, usually with an international theme to increase global understanding. The Pathfinders traveled to Science World in Vancouver for an evening of Science fun and sleepover. Other spring activities include decorating pots and planting flowers and learning first aid. One of the Brownie units learned about hearing aids and signing.

The other Brownies unit was unable to attend the Hike for Hunger due to soccer commitments, so they held their own hike by carrying their donated food from St. David's to Thrifty Foods. Fortunately, they picked the only sunny day in February, but it was still quite a walk. Well done, Brownies.

All of the units are gearing up for the outdoor season with hikes planned and overnight adventures happening at Milne's in Sooke, Kingswood near Elk Lake, and the Guide Chalet at Cypress Bowl ski area.

If you would like to learn more about Guiding please call Nancy Sine at 658-6592 or Jeannie Cosgrove at 658-5687.

Girl Guides of Canada is a Movement for girls, led by women. If you would like to join us, please call the numbers above.

NEW HORIZONS

Meet the new horizons challenge - for everyone 55 years and up. Activities at St. David-by-the-Sea, every Thursday from October to May, include:

- carpet bowling at 10:00 a.m. (\$1.00)
- soup lunch at noon (\$1.00)

After lunch, cards (\$1.00) or bring your own craft.

Annual membership is \$5.00. For further information, call Don Dundee at 658-8458.

Saanich School District #63 Update

The board has met several times since my last update; there were 37 different school successes reported, a few from our local schools are as follows:

- Claremont student, Jeni Liggett, came first for an essay about groups/individuals who have made contributions to Canada. She will fly to Ottawa to receive the prize.
- Claremont student, Ricky Sihota, won a gold medal at the Provincial Wrestling Championship in Kamloops.
- Claremont Drug and Alcohol Prevention Coordinator, Lora Favor, and coach of the Claremont Senior Girls' Basketball team was selected as coach of the Provincial Under 17 Team.
- Royal Oak Grade 8 Girls and Boys Volleyball Teams placed second and first respectively in the City Championships.
- Claremont Grade 12 student, Nathan Hudon, was selected to participate in the Forum for Young Canadians in Ottawa in March.
- Stelly's Junior Boys Basketball Team won the Provincial Championships.
- Claremont Junior Girls' Basketball Team won the City Championship.
- The all-student cast, crew, and pit orchestra of "Grease" provided 13 terrific 'sold out' performances.
- Claremont students collected four large bins of non-perishable food items at a recent school dance. The food will be given to the Salvation Army.
- Royal Oak Midget Boys and Girls Basketball Teams placed first and second respectively in the City Championships.
- Royal Oak Dolphins Water Polo Team went undefeated in their first season of play.
- Claremont Grade 11 and 12 P.E. classes, as part of their community service component, collected \$1,500 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Provincial Examination Results, when presented to the board, showed Saanich students performed above provincial averages in most cases. More detailed results are available from

the School Board Offices. Education Directions Committee reported on the progress of the three on-going project teams, focusing on Early Reading Development, Research and Writing Resource Instructional Strategies for Middle Schools, and Research Inquiry Process for Middle Schools.

Royal Oak Middle School and Cordova Bay Elementary have both been given permission to investigate joint venturing in the development of their playing fields. A draft 'Internet Acceptable Use Policy' is currently under discussion and will be considered by the Board. The Board also reviewed plans for extensions and renovations at Lochside Elementary School; it is hoped the project will begin this summer.

The Board adopted the 1998/99 Final Budget Bylaw in the total amount of \$51,576.92. This budget will mean the district will incur a 1998/99 operating deficit up to \$255,000. Originally estimated at \$930,000, the Board worked hard to find reductions to costs of approximately \$675,000, for a total reduction of \$2.2M since 1995/96 Budget. The Board has until the end of April to adopt a budget for 1999/00. There will be several meetings to discuss options; it is projected that an additional \$1.3M reductions must be identified. If anyone wishes to attend a meeting, give input or just pass along concerns or ideas, please contact me at 658-8101. I will let you know where and when the meetings will be held or I can take your ideas forward to the board.

Our Community Forum was held on March 10th to discuss the School District's Financial Position was well attended by about 150 participants. I will provide a summary of this information, once it is available.

The public is welcome to attend the next Board Meetings on April 12th and May 10th at 8:00 p.m. at the School Board Offices, 2125 Keating Cross Road.

Yours truly,
Ellen Slanina

Doris Page
1914 - 1999

The flowers are blooming on the Indian plum and the skunk cabbages are sprouting in Doris Page Park, located between Cordova Bay and Lochside Roads.

Doris died on January 29th, 1999 but her memory will be perpetuated in this lovely little Cordova Bay Park.

Doris, born in Barrow-in Furness, England, in 1914, graduated in horticulture in 1935. She worked as a horticulturist in England and Tanganyika before emigrating to Canada in 1948. She settled at the corner of Haliburton and Lochside Roads and worked for 32 years at Ed Lohbrunner's nursery off Blenkisop.

She was involved in many gardening groups, including the Victoria Horticultural Society, of which she was a president, the Rock and Alpine Society, and the Thetis Lake Nature Sanctuary. She was instrumental in preserving Victoria's heritage trees and the formation of the Horticulture Centre of the Pacific. The Doris Page Winter Garden there was her initiative.

She was always generous in sharing her knowledge of plants with many gardeners and giving plants to many. Cordova Bay gardeners who received these will always cherish them.

Doris did diligent research when Saanich Municipality decided to sell the land that is now named after her, for subdivision. She discovered that the property had been left as a park in perpetuity provided it was available to the public and the trees were never cut. If this was ignored the land would revert to the descendents of the original

Saanich Recreation

**5th ANNUAL TOTALLY TEEN TALENT
FOR TEENS (12 - 19 Years)**

PERFORMANCE NIGHT

Saturday, April 10th 7:00 p.m. at the *Claremont Ridge Playhouse*

This is an opportunity for talented teens to gain exposure and experience in live performance.

Performers will gain experience through performance in front of an audience of approximately 250 people.

Ticket Prices:

\$8.00 Adults, \$4.00 Students

Tickets are on sale at Saanich Recreation Centres beginning Monday, March 1st

Healthy Saanich Committee Update

The Committee heard a report about the B.C. Transit Community Travel Training Program which determines transportation abilities for temporary or permanently disabled people.

The Youth Council project is going well and students are keen on researching various issues such as traffic and youth activities. Their "Council Meeting" will take place April 7th at 7:00 p.m. in Saanich Council Chambers at Saanich Municipal Hall. The public is welcome: Justine Durrant, a Royal Oak Middle School Grade 8 student, is representing our local schools (Royal Oak and Claremont) participating as a Councillor.

An Annual report on the Youth Strategy will go to Council in March with redeveloped goals. Community Services will work on the formation of an Action Group of Community Associations and Parent Advisory Groups in the Broadmead/Royal Oak area, to discuss the possibility of a third youth centre to service that area.

The new Organizational Chart of the restructured Engineering Department and contact names for the Engineering Department of Saanich was submitted to the Committee for members' information.

Further information was circulated about the Totally Teen Talent show that is upcoming to be held at Claremont High School on April 10th at 7:00 p.m. it is always a sell out so if you are interested get your tickets early from any of the Saanich Recreations Centres.

The Saanich Environmentally Significant Areas Atlas was circulated and the Committee moved:

- to support the Saanich Environmentally Significant Areas;
- to recommend to Council that By-law No.

7204 be further defined to incorporate a means to access these funds, to secure environmentally sensitive land and/or greenways, as and when necessary.

- to recommend to Council that a funding referendum be part of the next election, to seek approval for an annual levy to support the procurement and protection of Environmentally Significant Lands and Greenways.

The Committee was advised that the Sunfest Society will disband after seven years. The executive feel they can no longer carry out the duties required, as there is a real lack of volunteer help. The two Saanich events, Gorge on Art and the Gyro Family Fun Fest have both been very successful and it is hoped these will continue. The Committee moved to thank the Society for its efforts and involvement in the Saanich Sunfest Society, and to recommend to Council that the Festival continue under the auspices of Community Services, with the same level of funding.

The first meeting of the Mapping Committee has taken place and its work is progressing. There was a good discussions around the United Nations Declaration of 1999, as The Year of the Older Persons, with guests attending from Garth Homer Society and the Silver Threads. The Healthy Saanich Committee wants to focus on an inter-generational project to celebrate this special year. The Committee's next meeting will continue this discussion. Anyone with suggestions may please contact me at 658-8101. The first draft of the CRD Regional Growth Strategy was rejected; the second draft is prepared and supported by the Committee and will now be forwarded to various Councils for review.

Sincerely, Ellen Slanina

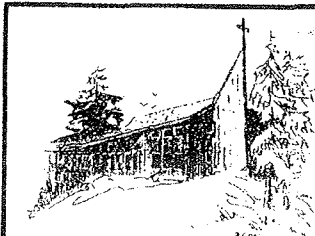
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GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2: 10:00 a.m. The Last Words of Christ from the Cross

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4: THREE SERVICES

7:00 a.m. Service led by our Youth Group on Mt. Tolmie. Bring breakfast to share.

8:00 a.m. Service with Communion in the Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Easter Celebration - please bring fresh daffodils to place on our Easter Cross as part of our intergenerational service.

MID WEEK MEETINGS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMUNITY: ALL WELCOME

Every Thursday: 10:30 a.m. - noon

Weekly Bible Study discussions. (*This program starts April 7th*)
Study is centered around the ecumenical lectionary Bible readings each week.

Alternate Thursdays: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

A New Group for Parents - "Exploring How We Raise Children of Faith in These Times", led by Jane Jupe on alternate Thursday afternoons. If interested, call the church office for location. All parents are warmly invited to join us, children are welcome. Next meeting, March 25th.

4th Wednesday morning of the month:

Mothers' Morning Out Program. A "time out" for mothers with young children to enjoy fellowship, craft and cooking demonstrations, guest speakers and to just share experiences pertaining to child-rearing. Babysitting is provided.
9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Contact Kate Insley 658 4451 for more info

Friday Evenings: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Sunday Evenings: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Junior Youth Group for youth from grades 6 - 9

Senior Youth Group for youth from grades 10- 12

Our Groups are flourishing with our leader, Margaret Treleven. New members and visitors are always welcome to drop in to our youth events.

We love meeting new people and we don't bite, honest!

Cordova Bay Softball Association

The season is just about upon us and it appears our registration this year is equal to, or better than last.

The first games start April 17, 1999 with Opening Ceremonies on April 24, 1999 at 11:00am.

Cordova Bay Softball will be hosting the Bantam "C" Girls Provincial Tournament the first week-end in July.

There are still some spots available for some levels, please phone Brenda Walt at 658-5591 if you wish to register.

Cordova Bay Softball will be running the Concession for the World Cup on the Easter Week-end, this requires an enormous amount of volunteers. Please call Lucy Denham at 658-0353 if you can help.

If you would like to Volunteer or Coach, please call Don Strugnell at 658-4346.

I would like to thank, in advance, the Residents of Lockside Drive near the Park for putting up with all the activity in the coming season.

Hoping to see everybody at the Ball Park.

Don Strugnell, President.

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The monthly meetings of the Cordova Bay Association are open to residents of Cordova Bay. The meetings are held at the Cordova Bay United Church on Claremong Avenue, the 3rd Thursday of each month (except July and August), starting at 7:30 p.m.

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NORTH: The top half of the buoy is black, and the bottom half is yellow. The two black arrows both point up. Safe water lies to the North.

SOUTH: The top half of the buoy is yellow, and the bottom half is black. The two black arrows both point down. Safe water lies to the South.

EAST: The top and bottom thirds are black, and the middle third is yellow. The two black arrows point up and down (away from each other). Safe water lies to the East.

WEST: The top and bottom thirds are yellow, and the middle third is black. The two black arrows point toward each other. Safe water lies to the West.



A simple way to remember the colour coding of the buoy, is by remembering that the arrows always 'point to' the black band(s) on the buoy. The two arrows point up on the North buoy as the top half is black. The two arrows point toward each other on the West buoy as the middle band is black, etc.

For night navigation the white light sequence follows the face of a clock. East is a group quick flashing Q(3)10s (which means every 10 seconds). South is a group quick flashing 6 times + 1 long flash (Q(6)+LF1)15s. West is a group quick flashing nine Q(9)15s and North flashes continuously (Q)1s.

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