



Why traffic is still a major issue in our community

By Chris Janssen

A MAJOR ISSUE for many community associations is traffic. We are no exception, and in our case the issues concern roads through neighbourhoods, as well as the highway on our western periphery.

Traffic is like water. If the main channel is not adequate, a river will create new channels. If traffic is not flowing on the main roads, it will spill over into neighbourhoods. An obstruction in one area may flood another. Local issues are therefore not really local, and traffic planning needs a community approach. Saanich Council is creating a traffic liaison committee to consider traffic concerns along Lochside Drive through Cordova Bay. The new committee, to succeed that formed by residents last October, will have broader representation and include members from other areas of the community. Application forms can be obtained from the Saanich web site (www.gov.saanich.bc.ca) or from the office of the Municipal Clerk (phone 475-1775, e-mail: clerksec@gov.saanich.bc.ca). The deadline for applying to join this committee is November 16.

Traffic on Highway 17 is very intense, and

this intensity is not expected to abate. As crossings at grade level interfere with traffic flow, there is pressure to eliminate them, either through closure or by building overpasses. In a decade we might expect an overpass at Sayward and perhaps another at Haliburton, although that appears more uncertain. In the meantime your community association has asked whether there might be ways of operating the traffic light at Haliburton and the highway more efficiently.

As traffic backs up the Haliburton hill on school day afternoons, perhaps one could consider a sensor-activated left-turn arrow on to the highway at the time Claremont high school gets out.

Accesses to the highway between Haliburton and Sayward are probably at risk of closure in the coming decade with plans to build a parallel service road. Left turn accesses might have an even shorter life expectancy.

On a positive note, Saanich staff is working on a park proposal for the soccer field lands off Cordova Bay Road west of the Trio pit. More details are expected in December.

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Finding a good school for a special five-year-old

Principal Mark Knight received the following letter from Kerry Chapman, a parent with a child with special needs who moved here from Ontario. "I believe her letter captures the essence of what we work hard to achieve at Cordova Bay School and in all Saanich schools," he says. "At Cordova Bay School we are very committed to the challenge of working to meet the needs of all learners."

SENDING your child off to kindergarten can be a very exciting but also worrisome time for any parent. But this can be especially stressful if you are the parent of a child with special needs.

Our five-year-old son Ryan had been diagnosed with Pervasive Development Disorder at age three and although he had made incredible progress since being diagnosed, we knew that starting kindergarten at a good school would be crucial to his success. We were living in Ottawa at the time and were becoming increasingly concerned with our lack of options and support, so when my husband's company offered him a job in Victoria, we were immediately open to the idea.

We flew to Vancouver Island over the Christmas holidays. Although neither of us had been to B.C. before we fell in love with Victoria and, in particular, Cordova Bay.

Our priority was schools and since we were unfamiliar with the area, we began to do some research. We would be in the catchment area for Cordova Bay Elementary, so we began asking people what they knew about the school and heard only good things.

After calling the school board and checking the web site we began to feel hopeful, even excited, but we still wanted to be sure.

Then a wonderful woman who had been working with Ryan in Ottawa gave us a great connection. She had a friend who worked with special needs children in Victoria who would be happy to answer any

questions I might have. I e-mailed her with my concerns and I will never forget her response. She was so excited to hear that we were looking for a house in Cordova Bay. And specifically recommended Cordova Bay Elementary as being at the top of her list of great schools.

She put me in contact with Barb Swan, who is the integration support teacher at Cordova Bay Elementary, and from my initial conversation with Barb we felt encouraged that we had found what we were looking for. Barb's extensive background working with special needs children was extremely impressive, but she was truly an expert when it came to her knowledge and understanding of our son's particular disorder.

Needless to say, the decision was an easy one and shortly after getting settled in Victoria we began a series of transition meetings. Principal Mark Knight always made himself available for these meetings as did Barb Swan and the instructional support teacher for the district, John Martin.

Additional meetings and workshops have included a wonderful team of experienced professionals, including Ryan's teacher, Shirley Metters, teaching aide Sheila Halpenny and the district's speech, physio and occupational therapists. Together we have worked as a team to devise and implement an IEP (individualized education program) for Ryan.

The dedication and support shown by the wonderful staff at Cordova Bay Elementary has already paid off. Our son has not only integrated successfully into kindergarten but can't wait to go to school every day. We no longer worry when we see his giant smile as he walks into his classroom each morning. He participates in class and is beginning to develop friendships.

It may just be pure luck that brought us to Cordova Bay and Ryan to a school that has exceeded our expectations. We have our own beliefs about how we got here and why, but whatever the reason, we couldn't be more thankful.

— Kerry and Ralph Chapman

CRD urged to abandon subdivision application

CORDOVA BAY Association president Chris Janssen is calling on the Capital Regional District to abandon its subdivision application for the easterly portion of the Haliburton reservoir lands.


In a letter to the *Saanich News*, Janssen argues it's reasonable to assume that open space in Saanich will remain unchanged when the land concerned is (a) in the Agricultural Land Reserve (b) outside the Urban Containment Boundary and (c) outside the sewer enterprise area.

All these factors apply to the land in question, which is now used for sheep grazing. The CRD says this portion of the reservoir site is not needed for the reservoir operation and seeks to have it rezoned for a residential subdivision.


Janssen points out that neighbours have acquired homes, appraisers have estimated property values and lenders have advanced loans based upon the existing use of the land and the tacit assurance contained in Saanich's official planning documents. "That property had been confirmed to stay agricultural and expectations that it will be entirely legitimate," he adds.

It would seem appropriate for the CRD to withdraw its application for rezoning and a subdivision, says Janssen. He adds that Saanich should reaffirm the sewer enterprise and urban containment boundaries. "The onus is on Saanich council to reassure its taxpayers that sheep may safely graze and residents may safely own properties surrounding the Haliburton reservoir."

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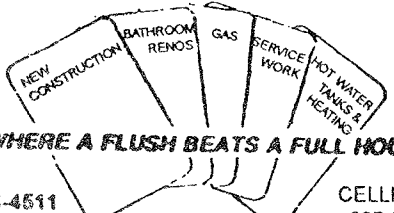
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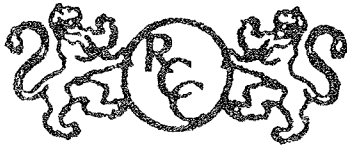
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Committee continues to work on seniors' activity plans

THE CORDOVA BAY seniors activity centre committee has met with Saanich municipality recreation department staffers Teri Derksen and Dan Atagi to discuss programs that could be offered to seniors in Cordova Bay.

In the short term, the committee is identifying suitable existing locations in the community where a variety of programs could be held. Long-term plans involve construction of a seniors' centre.

Meanwhile, the committee would like to hear from seniors interested in carrying these plans into fruition. To volunteer your assistance, or for more information, please phone Inez at 658-2300 or Daphne at 658-4030.

Traffic chaos at Lochside Park

The following letter was sent to Saanich Parks Department in June, with copies to the Saanich Transportation Committee, the Cordova Bay Association and the Great Victoria Cycling Coalition.

REGARDING traffic management issues at Lochside Park, do you have a plan for the movement of traffic? The current heavy use of the park by Little League and soccer teams conflicts with the increased use of the Lochside Trail by cyclists. Motor vehicle movement in the parking area has created very dangerous traffic conditions for cyclists. Presently there are directional arrows for vehicles wishing to park or drop off kids, but unfortunately on two occasions recently drivers exiting from the concession area have not looked down Lochside to check traffic and pulled right out in front of me when I was riding my bike

On another occasion this spring a user group had roped off access to the Lochside Trail to reserve parking spaces for game officials or organizers. Cyclists could barely see the unflagged rope until they rode right up to it at the last minute and then had to dismount to go around it. The traffic of cars, pedestrians and cyclists needs to be clearly and properly managed before serious injury occurs.

— Dianne Boyce

Mask workshops were a big Hallowe'en success

THIRTY-FIVE children and more than a dozen parents participated in the free mask-making workshops sponsored by the Cordova Bay Association and conducted by paper-mache artist Denise Duncan.

Held on three consecutive Saturdays in October at St. David-by-the-Sea Anglican Church, the project offered a morning and an afternoon session on each day. Both CH-TV and CIVI sent camera crews to videotape the activities on October 20.

"This Hallowe'en project was well received with both children and adults enjoying it very much," wrote artist Denise Duncan in her report to the Cordova Bay Association executive.

"I did learn that a large number of children in Cordova Bay who would have liked to attend play soccer on Saturday mornings. Therefore, if the executive would like to do something like this again, my suggestion would be to hold two afternoon sessions."

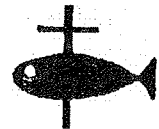
Denise thanks all the parents who devoted their time to the project, the large number of people who donated supplies, some of them purchased specially. She especially thanks Sarah Gans and Irene Khurana who arrived each day to help although they did not have children of their own involved.

The Cordova Bay Association joins Denise in also thanking the Rev. Michael Hemmings of St. David's for his enthusiastic support, and Neil McAllister, head of the Bruce Hutchison branch of Greater Victoria Public Library at Saanich Commonwealth Place and the youth librarians for including 14 of the masks in their creative Hallowe'en display.

As Denise pointed out, many of the masks did not make it to the library display because the young artists couldn't bear to be parted from their creations. "I appreciate the opportunity to have been involved in this community gathering and look forward to being able to do so again," she said.

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Goodbye to the past

Saanich approves demolition of two "historic" cottages

ONE of the community's last remaining links with its past as a summer resort will disappear with the demolition of two chalet-type cottages at the intersection of Cordova Bay Road and Maxine Lane.

Although the cottages appear on a list of Saanich heritage properties, they are not registered as such and do not enjoy any protection. The municipality has agreed to the owner's request for a demolition permit to allow new homes to be built on the site.

Neighbours have mixed feelings about the buildings, some of them describing the chalets as run-down and dilapidated. The two buildings are joined at the rear by their garages and were built as summer cottages after the First World War. As Anne Pearson writes in her local history *Sea-Lake*, "By 1919 real estate was in the doldrums, so George McMorran, Jr., began catering to summer crowds, opening a small store called the Canuck Tea Rooms. This was a period when automobiles and the Canadian Northern Railway were bringing hundreds of Victorians to the Bay during the summer months. Waterfront lots, only 60-90 feet in size, were selling quickly, while many more campers utilized the entire beach, living under canvas all summer long."

As a popular summer resort, Cordova Bay probably hit its peak in the early thirties, according to Anne Pearson. "By [this] time George McMorran was renting out 72 summer cabins. Rent was \$50.00 for the season, from Empire Day (May 24) to Labour Day. " There were many visitors from Washington and California.

Part of the attraction in those days of rudimentary roads and unreliable automobiles was the convenient Canadian Northern Railway station at the corner of Haliburton Road and Lochside Drive, which was then a railway line. Families would ride the rails in comfort from Victoria, spend the day on the beach, and catch the train home in the evening. The site of the station is now in Doris Page park.

Anne Pearson's history of the Cordova Bay area is on sale at the variety store in the plaza.



KIWANIS CLUB OF CORDOVA BAY

Club welcomes its first woman president

SUMMER ENDS and the winter season is upon us so it's time for the club to ring the changes, as it were. On September 26 Lieut. Governor Beulah Addicott inducted Sherrie Galey as president of our club with Tom Jarvie as vice president, Al Willman and Dave Osborne as treasurer and secretary respectively.

The ceremony was held in the cozy surroundings of the Fireside Grill and was witnessed by spouses and guests including a number of fellow Kiwanians from the Esquimalt club. Many kind words were spoken about the members and their accomplishments in a club that is "small in size but mighty in effort." Past president George Foster presented the Canadian Foundation Mel Osborne Fellow medallion to Mickey Stevens for past service in so many fields.

Sherrie is our first woman president and also the youngest. She was very busy at her first meeting, appointing members to a number of jobs and projects. We anticipate a very hard-working year under her supervision and wish her well.

Our guest speaker was Tricia Roche of the YMCA. She gave us a very informative talk on the Victoria club's new Kiwanis House. This is an eight-unit complex for single mothers with one pre-school aged child. A program provides support and skill development to the mothers who require this to become successfully independent. It is envisioned that each resident will stay in Kiwanis House for 18 months. Among the programs offered are shopping and cooking skills, budgeting, stress reduction, pre-employment training, and child enrichment programs that will include swimming and a kinder gym. This is a great project and our club is proud to have taken part in the construction.

Some months ago a resident of the Santa Clara/Alderley area approached one of our members and asked about the possibility of a bench being erected adjacent to the bus stop. The club has a program under way to do this and we approached the municipality of Saanich. Lo and behold, a very pleased resident noticed that a bench has been placed and passed a bouquet on to our member and to us. Thank you!

Looking further ahead, we would like you to know that our delicious Christmas cakes are being ordered from us by other Kiwanis clubs in Victoria. Don't leave it too late to order your cakes, or buy one when you see them on sale outside the village post office nearer to Christmas.

Along with the cakes we will be selling pointsettias. This is all part of our fund-raising efforts so that we can help our community in particular and be ever mindful of the needs of others.

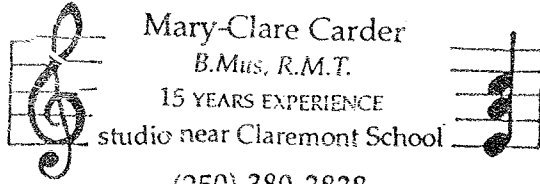
We are always on the lookout for new members. As our new president pointed out, she likes our club because whenever a project commences there is always a one hundred percent involvement. That is what makes our club unique. It is a working club that upholds the motto "We build!" We meet at the Lochside Park Sports Club at 6:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

From all our members to the residents of Cordova Bay we wish you the compliments of the season and a very Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

— *Edwin Hipsey, Past President.*

The executive committee of the Cordova Bay Association meets on the third Thursday of each month, except for July and August. Meetings are held at Cordova Bay United Church at 7:30 p.m. Members of the community are welcome to attend, and membership of the Cordova Bay Association is not required. For further information or to indicate your wish to address the executive on a matter of community interest, please contact the secretary: Peggy Hancyk, (658-4278 or e-mail phancyk@shaw.ca).

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In the B.C. and Yukon awards, the school gained a first and a second plus two honourable mentions in the junior category and a first and an honourable mention in the seniors.

In mathematics, Claremont gained three perfect 800 scores, which represent the top marks in the province. The school's participation rate in this contest was nearly double the provincial average. Top scores were also obtained in English and French.

Claremont students won 61 university scholarships from all over North America, totalling \$298,150 and 22 years of all inclusive scholarships. The school also gained 32 provincial scholarships.

In athletics, the boys became Island champions in Junior Boys' volleyball. Senior girls were Island runners-up in Senior Girls volleyball (third in B.C.) and were voted B.C.'s most sportsmanlike team. Senior boys came fourth in B.C. as Island runners-up and were also voted B.C.'s most sportsmanlike team in their category.

In track and field, the girls became provincial champions, and the school also gained the provincial championship on aggregate. The Junior boys basketball team came 15th in B.C. as Island runners-up; the Senior girls basketball team came 10th. The softball team became City Champions and the Junior girls soccer team Island champions.

THE CORDOVAN

Cordova Bay Softball



New executive takes over for New Year

BELIEVE IT OR NOT the 2002 ball season is just around the corner.

As the new president, I would like to say thanks to our Past President Don Strugnell and his wife Dawn for all their hard work over the past three years. Thanks Don and Dawn. As well I would like to thank the other executive and volunteers who made our 2001 season one of our greatest successes yet!

At our October 3 Annual General Meeting the new executive elected were:

- President - John Carriss
- Past President - Don Strugnell
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Cordova Bay Scouts launch active new season

HAVE YOU ever wanted to go camping with your friends, play games, go on hikes, travel to foreign countries, enjoy bike rides, learn outdoor skills, do crafts and fun stuff? Those are the questions the 5th. Tsartlip Venturers, Scouts, Beavers and Cubs are asking Cordova Bay's young people as they begin a new season.

Registration began on September 12, but continues for several weeks. Beavers (ages 5 – 7) meet every Tuesday at St. David by the Sea church from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m. Cubs (ages 8 – 10) meet every Tuesday at Cordova Bay United church, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Scouts (ages 11 – 14) meet every Wednesday, also at Cordova Bay United church, from 7:15 – 9:00 p.m. Venturers (ages 14 – 16) meet at Cordova Bay United church every Wednesday from 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

Feel free to drop by any of the meetings and experience the atmosphere for yourself. It's never too late to join and become part of the Cordova Bay Scouting movement. For further information, please contact Peter Martin at 658-4470, or e-mail petermartin@home.com.

PLEASE MARK YOUR 2002 CALENDARS!

AS THE CORDOVAN enters its 24th year of publication, these are the deadlines for editorial contributions and advertisements in 2002.

Winter/Spring issue — January 27

Spring issue — March 24

Summer issue — May 26

Fall issue — August 25

Winter issue — October 22

Please mail material to 5069 Lochside Drive, Victoria, B.C. V8Y 2G1, or fax to 658-4030, or e-mail to chazott@shaw.ca. Thank you!

THE CORDOVAN



CORDOVA BAY SOCCER CLUB

Two land issues could affect club's future

THE EXECUTIVE of the soccer club spends countless hours organizing soccer for our players. Most of this time is spent on team organization and player development. However, the executive is now involved in two land issues that could dramatically affect the future operation of the club.

Cordova Bay Road: The immediate issue that will impact club operation is the improvement of Cordova Bay Road from Mattick's Farm north to Lochside Drive. We anticipated parking disruption while construction was under way, but it is the understanding of the club executive that vehicle parking will not be allowed on Cordova Bay Road once these improvements are completed.

Vehicle counts on two Saturday mornings in September indicated that between 50 and 60 vehicles were parked in areas that will be eliminated for parking once the road improvement is completed. Lochside Park is heavily used on Saturday mornings, particularly this year with the closure of the field at Cordova Bay Elementary School. The executive of the club is currently discussing this situation with Saanich. It is unfortunate that neither the soccer club nor the softball club were asked to participate in the planning of this road improvement.

Cordova Bay Soccer Field: For those unfamiliar with this field, it is located on Cordova Bay Road, above the Trio pit operation but on the other side of the road. The field was formerly leased by Saanich from the provincial government and the soccer club held a permit to use the field. The lighting was installed by the club.



The area is currently the subject of a rezoning application from the provincial government (B.C. Assets & Land Corporation) and the application proposes to change the soccer field and the adjacent wooded area into a residential development.

The area is shown as a park on the Saanich Official Community Plan. However, in order for the area to become a municipal park it appears that Saanich may have to purchase the land from the pro-

vincial government. The soccer club has written to Mayor Frank Leonard and Saanich council, supporting the acquisition of the entire area as a park in order to retain the soccer field as a valuable community asset for soccer.

The B.C. Assets & Land Corporation has offered to improve a playing field on the nearby Elk Lake School grounds for soccer purposes if the rezoning proposal is supported by Saanich. The club has indicated to Mayor and Council that our preference is to retain the existing soccer facility. However, if Saanich council decides to approve the rezoning proposal, the soccer club would support the upgrading of the soccer field at Elk Lake School. An upgraded facility at either location would help relieve congestion at Lochside Park.

—*Stuart Wills,*
President,
Cordova Bay Soccer Club

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Season offers full range of fun

THIS YEAR has gotten off to a great start with one unit in each of the branches of Guiding. The girls have been preparing for enrolment (taking their Promise) and planning their activities for the following months. The Pathfinders have already attended a camp in Sooke for a weekend, learning how to "survive" in the outdoors. Guides, in their new uniforms, will be attending a residential camp in November, also learning camping skills which they can use in the spring. They planned to attend Remembrance Day ceremonies at the Saanich Hall.

The Brownies got "lost" in the Corn Maze and had a terrific time on the hay ride. Several fabulous parents came forward to lead the Sparks, so they are off and running.

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—Jeannie Cosgrove,

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Learning to cruise and conserve

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All this is not as easy as it sounds and the students find that the day on the water really puts the entire boating course into perspective.

To top it all off, while at Genoa Bay (cruise destination) there is a hands-on experience in the use of various types of emergency flares and learning the proper way to extinguish a fire—supervised by the Cowichan Valley Fire Department. The Auxiliary Coast Guard also gives demonstrations.

At the pre-cruise social, held on October 25, Nikki Wright of the Seachange Marine Conservation Society gave a very interesting talk and video presentation to the students and squadron members. The topic was the Tod and Saanich inlets, where part of the training course is held. Once teeming with fish and wildlife, the area has been slowly dying off. The inlets are geographically located so that they do not "wash out" very well. Over the past 50 years the Hartland landfill, household garden waste, sewage, effluents, pesticides, industrial run-off and about 4,000 boats which visit the area each year have all taken their toll.

To encourage the return of fish to the area Seachange has been planting sea grass in the shallower areas of the inlets. The grass provides shelter for small fish, crabs, shellfish, as well as encouraging herring.

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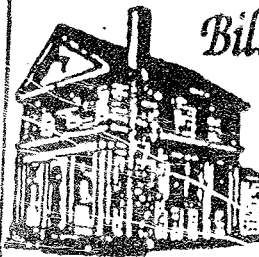
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- * Saanich Pound 475-4321
- * Bulletin Board at the plaza.
- * Make sure your neighbours have a picture and description of your missing pet to circulate.

"Found" ads are free in local newspapers. The CRD animal shelter is now located at 5401 Patricia Bay Hwy., Phone 658-5745.

As we enter the traditional festive season, please bear in mind that your household pets may not appreciate too much rich food in place of their regular diet. One of the biggest dangers is feeding chicken or turkey bones to your pet. If crunched and swallowed they can splinter and cause serious internal injury.

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Meditation service: Last Sunday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28: 10:00 a.m. Pre-Advent Service

ADVENT SERVICES

December 2 – Advent 1 – Advent Happening for Children.

December 7 – Advent Reflections on Friday, 7:30 p.m. is a time of memories, music, meditation

December 9 – Advent 2 – White Gift children's play. A time to gather and share our gifts to share with the Open Door.

December 16 – Advent 3 – Choral Music of Christmas.

December 21: 7:00 p.m. Longest Night Service – A winter solstice service with meditation, reflection, mellow memories before Christmas.

December 23 – Advent 4 – Christmas Sunday.

Christmas Eve Services

4:00 p.m. Family Candlelight Service: Nativity, Carols, Candle-lighting.

8:00 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service. Readings, Carols, Candle-lighting.

MID WEEK GROUPS

Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast Group meets twice monthly for topics, discussion.

Bible Studies: Monday evenings (November-December), 7:30 p.m. and Thursday mornings, 10:30 a.m.

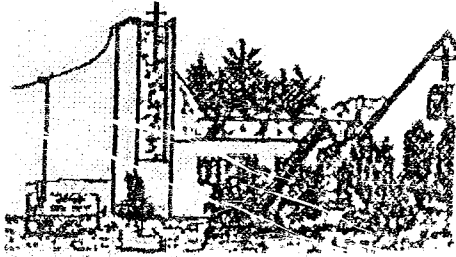
Sunday Nights: 7:00 p.m. V.I.P. Youth Group for grades 6-8. Details on request.

7:00 p.m. **SNAZY-G Youth Group** for grades 8-10.

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Family Time together: Wednesdays 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. Learning to be spiritual families. Adults and children have separate learning experiences as well as time together.

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

EVERY THURSDAY:

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

Christmas Services

Wednesday, December 19: 7:30 p.m. When Christmas Hurts — SPECIAL SERVICE

December 24: 6:00 p.m., Children's Christmas Service

11:00 p.m. Midnight Mass.

December 25: 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

December 30: 10:00 a.m. Carols and Nine Lessons

WE WILL SOON BE IN THE SEASON OF ADVENT which is from the Latin *adventus* or "coming". In the Christian tradition it is a preparation time for the coming of our Lord, and always begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. Many families enjoy having an Advent wreath, made up of greenery with four candles on the outside and one in the middle, and/or an Advent calendar.

St. David's is pleased to welcome ROSEMARY LAING, our new Organist/Choir Director. Rosemary played at St. David's in the '80's and has now joined us on a permanent basis. She is very talented and we are enjoying her music.

Sunday School attendance is increasing. They have a very good, up to the minute program for the children, dealing with local issues. This is proving very popular. Ongoing enrolment is every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. On December 16 the children and the parish will enjoy the annual Christmas Dinner and Pageant.

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