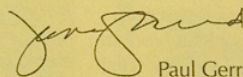


A Word from the President

2002 was a busy and rewarding year for myself and the Board of the Gorge Tillicum Community Association. Some of the activities and projects we were involved with included:

- Continued work on the steering committee for the Tillicum/Burnside Action Plan to create an urban village concept that will help to revitalize the area.
- Successful Saanich Council approval on December 16th for the traffic-calming plan for the area within Gorge/Harriet/Tillicum and Burnside Roads.
- Construction of the new pedestrian crosswalks across Gorge Road West.
- Construction of the new public boat launch at the Canoe and Kayak Club.
- Continued work in the Gorge Waterway Park, including new lighting, plantings, benches and pathways.
- Another successful Canada Day Picnic on July 1st.
- Opening of Tillicum Station, the 40-unit affordable housing project at Tillicum and Burnside Roads.
- Tree Appreciation Day on November 3rd. Planting trees and shrubs in Gorge Waterway Park and Qu'Appelle Park.
- Completion of Qu'Appelle Park, including the demolition of houses and the construction of a new playground and equipment, asphalt walkway, picnic tables, benches, a new park sign and expanded garden area.
- Successful All-Candidates Meeting at Spectrum School on October 29th for Saanich Council elections.
- Agreement with Saanich, Pearkes Recreational Centre and School District 61 to share space in the new Colquitz School with the community after school hours.
- Continued work on the "Adopt an Outfall" program in concert with the Veins of Life Watershed Society to monitor storm water quality flowing into Colquitz Creek. Check the VOLWS website for more information, www.volws.bc.ca.
- GTCA successful in receiving grants from the Saanich Community Matching Fund and Community Development Fund for money to cover expenses for the All-Candidates Meeting, traffic control at the Gorge-Tillicum Canada Day Picnic, tree planting in Gorge Waterway Park and Qu'Appelle Park, and GTCA Display Boards.
- Start of construction on the new Colquitz School.
- Continued discussion with Saanich Recreational Services and Parks Dept. on the possibility of creating a new mountain bike and trials course in the section of Cuthbert Holmes Park immediately behind Tillicum Mall.
- Another successful 5th Gorge-Tillicum Canada Day Picnic on July 1st.
- Start of construction on the new office building at Tillicum Road and the Trans-Canada Highway. This innovative building will include a small cafe, showers and a bike storage area which will service users of the Galloping Goose Trail as well as the workers in the building.
- Move the Local Action Plan for Tillicum and Burnside Roads along, with concept designs and public meetings, and possibly a charrette to help create an urban village streetscape.
- Work with the new owners of Tillicum Mall to see whether there could be a different vision and direction for the Mall.
- Implementation of the traffic-calming devices approved by Saanich Council, and the construction of the numerous sidewalk improvements tied to that process, particularly on Obed Avenue.
- Streetscape improvements and new road designs for Harriet Road and Admirals Road.
- Work on improving the dangerous pedestrian and cycling environment at the Admirals Road and Trans-Canada Highway intersection.
- Create a safe and pleasant walking and cycling environment throughout our community.
- Be active and support the combined effort of all levels of government and stakeholders to begin a stewardship initiative for the Gorge Waterway and Portage Inlet.

Have a happy, prosperous and safe 2003.





Paul Gerrard

So what does 2003 hold in store for the Gorge-Tillicum community?


- Continued discussion and enthusiasm on the possibility of a new library facility in our neighbourhood.
- Continued involvement and input into additions/reconfiguration of the Pearkes Recreation Centre.
- Construction of the new parking area and sidewalk improvements at the Gorge Waterway Park.

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RENAISSANCE OF A REGION!

In his inaugural address to Saanich in December, Mayor Leonard made specific reference to two major projects in the Gorge-Tillicum neighbourhood. The Greater Victoria Public Library recently reviewed services in Saanich and concluded that the municipality could support a fourth library branch, with the greatest need being in the Gorge-Tillicum area. "The Gorge Tillicum Community Association has shown great interest in developing a 'state-of-the-art' library, perhaps involving a public/private partnership. We are examining the City of Richmond's Ironwood Mall Library as a model to consider with its focus on community accessibility and customer service for both computer and book lovers." The Mayor said that as the demand for Internet access in libraries continues to grow, the opportunity to work with a private commercial landlord may be realistic. "So I believe this creative model is indeed appropriate."

The second local initiative involves the new Colquitz school, scheduled to start construction this spring, and the School Board. Mayor Leonard would like to see Saanich take full advantage of opportunities to partner with the School District as it has recently done by inking a 'precedent-setting' joint-use agreement to use space in the new school. Saanich will contribute \$375,000 that will offset the cost of constructing the new school and purchasing equipment in exchange for evening and weekend use of the school's facilities, including the gymnasium, foods/clothing laboratory, arts studio, woodworking shop, drama room and multi-purpose room.

"I'm sending a signal that we'd like to do these projects" summarizes Mayor Leonard, who believes municipalities have a role to play in promoting regular physical activity and healthy lifestyles by ensuring that recreation centres are given resources needed to provide a wide range of activities and programs. "When you pay to go swimming or go to the exercise room, you're paying 50 to 60% of the actual cost. If we didn't think this was providing a public good, we would charge more, or not do it," he says.

By Paul Gerrard

Gorge-Tillicum Ranked No. 1

Not every change is one that is immediate and obvious and so it is with the most notable story of 2002. It isn't only the shopping mall that is undergoing something of a renaissance these days in the Gorge-Tillicum area—the rest of the neighbourhood is also ushering in the 21st century with a bold new look and outlook. One of the oldest neighbourhoods in Saanich, Gorge-Tillicum is not only one of the most dynamic and progressive areas of town, it is methodically reinventing itself. A new parkway and playground has already been completed along the Gorge Waterway, the ribbon was cut on a new 40-unit affordable housing complex at Tillicum and Burnside roads, there is a traffic-calming study underway at Gorge/Harriet/Tillicum roads, and streetscape plans for the Burnside Road. Support is growing to develop a library, talk of converting a section of Cuthbert-Holmes Park into a mountain bike facility, and Saanich and School District 61 recently brokered a deal to share space in the new Colquitz middle school.

This is a rewrite of an article written in the Saanich News, January 1st, by Alanna Jorde, Vern Faulkner and Elianna Lev.

Community members helped with new plantings in the Gorge Waterway Park on Saanich Tree Appreciation Day, Sunday, November 3rd, 2002.



Review of the GTCA Bylaws

We have all read in the newspapers and media this past year about the issues of governance and accountability in corporations and organizations. The Gorge Tillicum Community Association (GTCA) directors realized that our bylaws had not been reviewed since the start in 1989 and thought that now was a good time.

Last spring, the Bylaw Review Committee started its work of reviewing our Association's bylaws with the goal of bringing them up to date where necessary. The bylaws of any organization should be its 'operating manual'. In fact, over the years, by custom and necessity, the various boards of directors have operated in ways not completely in accord with the bylaws. As well, many of us have participated in other organizations with voting and board structures that appear more open and accessible to members than the ones we have been using.

The Committee, after asking members' opinions in the newsletter, reviewing numerous bylaw examples, considering the Society Act under which we operate,

and a thorough discussion by directors, is proposing new text for the bylaws. We have kept as much of the existing bylaws as possible. The format in the new bylaws is better organized by theme. After final approval of the draft by all the directors, members should be receiving materials for these proposed changes that will be on the agenda of a General Meeting this spring before the Annual General Meeting.

When they arrive in your mailbox, please take the time to read the proposed changes and help us improve the governance of our Association. If you have any questions or comments, please call any director or Ed Lyons (Chair, Bylaws Review Committee) at 479-8030 or edlyons@inetex.com.

Just a reminder: in order to vote, a member has to be in good standing with annual fees paid to date before the meeting. New members are welcome but please note that our bylaws state that a new member must be in good standing at least 30 days before the meeting. So, join now and participate!

By Ed Lyons

We Acknowledge.....



Rod and Debbie Burkhart, who have produced our first-class newsletter for the past few years, as well as Debbie's time as GTCA secretary, and their time and effort on behalf of this community in general. Their busy graphics business demands more of their time, although they will still be involved in community concerns.

We welcome Susan Dunlop, who is taking over the production of the newsletter. Susan lives in the Gorge area and brings considerable professional experience in the production of scientific manuals and organizing conferences. She is a welcome addition to the team, and we look forward to working with her on our newsletter.

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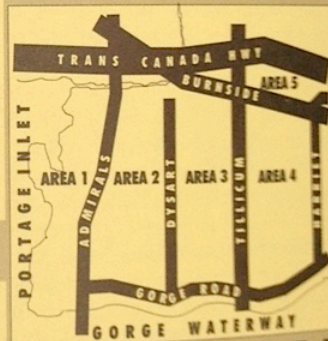
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Gorge Waterway Stewardship Initiative

The Gorge Tillicum Community Association has been invited to participate in the formation of a stewardship initiative centered on the Gorge Waterway, including Portage Inlet and the mouth of Colquitz Creek. The initiative is just in the formation stages right now. The initial members would be the various community, environmental, and recreational groups from all bordering municipalities. Representatives of municipalities, federal and provincial agencies with direct responsibilities, and First Nations will also be asked to participate. The GTCA directors approved our involvement since the Gorge-Tillicum area is a peninsula bounded on three sides by tidal waters rich in flora and fauna. We support the co-operative venue that includes many stakeholders and is directed from the "bottom up".

One potential model that could evolve is similar to the Esquimalt Lagoon Stewardship Initiative (ELSI) that includes local residents, Royal Roads University, a number of federal and provincial agencies, the City of Colwood, and the Victoria and Esquimalt Harbours Environmental Action Program of CRD. The focus will be on education and engagement by the many interested people who live around and enjoy this wonderful part of our region.

The GTCA has been involved in monitoring stormwater outfalls for several years. Some members participate in the on-going Shorekeepers beach-monitoring program, started last summer. Many residents share concerns about enhancing the environment we live in. So, it seemed a natural extension of our Association's interests to participate in the Stewardship Initiative. The initial stages will be organizational this year. If you are interested in joining a working group in the future, please contact Ed Lyons at 479-8030 or edlyons@inetex.com.

Trees

How would your street look with more trees? Think about the streets that are lined with trees. Now imagine what your neighbourhood would look like with more trees. Last year neighbours on Earl Grey and Millgrove Streets did just that, planting over 30 trees. They took advantage of Saanich's tree planting program. Saanich will plant, stake and maintain the new tree for only \$50 per tree (a bargain).

Would you like to see more trees planted by Saanich in the Gorge-Tillicum area? Would you be willing to contribute \$50 for a tree to be planted in front of or near your home? If so, or if you require more information, please contact: Ray Farmer at 382-1122 or jpullman@shaw.ca or Arden Little at 360-2474 or ardenlittle@shaw.ca.

By Ray Farmer

Septic Savvy

Do you know how your septic system works? How can you maintain it? How you can minimize damage and maximize it's operating life? And did you know that the CRD in co-ordination with the municipalities is designing bylaws to require septic system (now called 'onsite systems') owners to periodically inspect and maintain their systems with formalized programs? These bylaws will fill the regulatory void between new onsite system design and eventual failure. Are you ready?

The Septic Savvy workshop is an interactive and informative workshop that provides an overview of how a septic system operates, the causes and signs of system failure, and preventative measures homeowners can take to prolong the life of their system. The presenter, Ms. Anke Bergener of CRD Environmental Education, will discuss proper disposal

methods, alternatives to caustic materials, water conservation, drain field protection, and inspection and pumping with many examples. The workshop will be part of the tour of the Westcoast Onsite Wastewater Training Centre, a demonstration site featuring a variety of operational septic systems, at Royal Roads University, where you can see a variety of systems actually functioning.

The residents in the Gorge Tillicum Community Association area all live close to the tidal waters and have expressed strong interest in maintaining and enhancing the quality of the Gorge Waterway. This event can help the "onsite systems" owners learn more about their systems and help reduce potential contamination.

Where: Royal Roads University Campus, School District #62 Community Education

When: Saturday, April 5, 2003

Time: 9:00 am to noon

Program: Septic Savvy workshop 9:00 to 11:00 am, Onsite Systems tour 11:00 am to noon.

Pre-registration is required through SD #62 at 391-9002. By Ed Lyons

Native Plant Study Group

The Native Plant Study Group (NPSG), a part of the Victoria Horticultural Society, is extending a welcome to anyone interested in joining their group or would like to listen to one of the ongoing lecture series. The NPSG meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the University of Victoria, MacLaurin Building, Room D116. There is a \$15 annual membership fee (\$10 for students) or a \$2 drop in fee per meeting. Bring a mug for coffee and money for raffle tickets. For more information contact Susan Bastin at



361-3122. Following are some upcoming lecture speakers and topics for the NPSG:

March 20, Dr. Geraldine Allen, Biology Dept, University of Victoria, will speak on "Evolutionary Perspective of Fawn Lilies (*Erythronium*)".

April 17, John Dick, MSc., will speak on "New Initiatives in Tropical Forest Management: A Community Approach".

May 15, Erica Wheeler, B.Sc., Masters candidate, Biology Dept, University of Victoria, will speak on "The Biogeography of the Slim Leaf Onion (*Allium ampletens*)".

Pacific Forestry Centre Seminar Series

The scientists at the Canadian Forest Service Pacific Forestry Centre (PFC) hold weekly seminars, "What's New in Forest Science?", to exchange information on the latest forest research. The seminars are intended to provide short overviews of new forest science within a half an hour. PFC seminars are open to anyone interested in forest science. All seminars are held 10:30 am to 11:30 am at PFC, 506 West Burnside Road. For more information, call the PFC at 363-0794. Following are some of the upcoming seminars:

March 11, Remote Sensing Research Associate Andrew Dyk is scheduled to talk about digital image processing of satellite photos of natural areas of BC.

March 18, Mycologist Dr. Brenda Callan and Herbarium Technician John Dennis are scheduled to describe a new easy, accurate and fast system for herbarium management.

April 8, Research Officer Bill Riel is scheduled to explain how computers can simulate mountain pine beetle activity.

Local Heroes

The Gorge-Tillicum neighbourhood is a special place, populated by special people. The Gorge Tillicum Community Association (GTCA) would like to recognize some of 'our' special people by running a piece in each newsletter under the title "Local Heroes", highlighting the achievements and contributions of those who live and/or work in the area. If you know of someone who you think deserves a special mention please contact Harry Lewis at 384-8460.

To introduce the Local Heroes column, I'd like to pay tribute to a group of people I've had the pleasure of working with over the past few years. They have been involved in the organizing and running of every Canada Day Picnic so far, four and counting. Now that amounts to a lot of time and energy given over to this great community event, and makes them Local Heroes, so take a bow the Picnic Team of

Rob Wickson, Paul Gerrard, John Hoole, Diana Gault, Steve Legg, Anne Genuist, Ray Farmer, Judy Ker, Mary Ellen Wilson, Bob June and Donna Roth. If you know these folks, smile, wave and volunteer to join them this year. *By Harry Lewis*



Three members of the Canada Day Picnic Team: Steve Legg, Anne Genuist and Paul Gerrard. Thanks Local Heroes!

Did you know?

Board meetings of the Gorge Tillicum Community Association are held from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm on the first Thursday of the month at Pearkes Recreation Centre. Our meetings are open to the public. Members of the community are welcome to attend as observers to see how we conduct community business, and what issues or projects are coming up in our area.

5th ANNUAL CANADA DAY PICNIC

Here it comes again, the 5th Gorge Canada Day Picnic on Tuesday, July 1st, 2003. Time once again to begin organizing one of Victoria's biggest Canada Day events right here in our own neighbourhood. Last year saw the welcome addition of Esquimalt Dancers and the Pipe Castle Carey band. What innovations can we come up with this year? Please consider joining us in planning and helping out with the 5th Picnic—be part of a great Gorge tradition. Contact Harry Lewis, 384-8460 for further information.

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Living Through Recreation—Let's Start from the Beginning!

As a child, a trip down to Pearkes Recreation Centre meant a skate on the ice. Today your community recreation center provides opportunities for all ages to explore art, music, dance, language, education, sport, fitness and more. Programs begin for those 6 months old and range to individuals with the greatest experience.

Introducing recreation to your infant and preschooler is the best way to integrate activity into a lifestyle. Instilling recreational habits at an early age will create a healthy routine for life. One study I recently read suggested the greatest influence of recreation and activity in a person's life happens before the age of 5! Unfortunately, today's population is finding that children are less active and in return less healthy. Why? There are so many more opportunities for us to explore, but are they all healthy choices?

The programs at Pearkes Recreation Centre focus on healthy lifestyle choices beginning with your infant, toddler and preschooler. Programs introduce music, art, integration with other children, agility and balance through activity, hand eye

coordination and primary education. Experienced and knowledgeable instructors are chosen to facilitate specific programs. A parent/guardian participation program provides the opportunity to experience recreation together and enhances a social environment for everyone. So, turn off the television set, restrict the hours of computer use and encourage recreation! We strive to provide something for every interest. We recognize the need to involve children into recreational habits now and aim to provide them a 'home' to come to and experience recreation for a lifetime.

We have a passion not only for recreation but your child's best interest. Come down and experience first hand a program or request to observe a class in progress. We want to help you introduce recreation into your youngster's lifestyle.

Have an idea? Have we missed something? Please let us know or call 388-6664 and ask to speak to a recreation programmer.

*Mena Westhaver, Recreation Programmer,
The Pearkes Recreation Centre*




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Traffic, Anyone?

1 At the Saanich Committee of the Whole meeting on December 16th, 2002, the traffic-calming plan for the Gorge-Tillicum area was unanimously passed by Council. New sidewalks will be built on Obed, Orillia and Albina Streets, and a combination of traffic circles and speed humps will be built throughout the neighbourhood. These measures will be considered to be temporary for 12-18 months, and if successful, will be permanently installed. Speed restrictions around Tillicum School and Qu'Appelle Park will be imposed. We hope that these measures will reduce speed and the risk of accidents, stop rat-running through the neighbourhood, and make for a safer community. This initiative was taken up by the Transportation Committee of the Gorge Tillicum Community association, and congratulations go to them for their efforts.

2 Saanich Police report that a 44-year old male pedestrian was struck by a car at 10:14 am on Saturday, January 18th in the 300-block of Gorge Road East, near Tillicum Road. He suffered a fractured skull and lacerations to his face, and was treated at Victoria General Hospital, but his injuries were not life-threatening. Police say the man had just stepped off a bus and tried to dash across Gorge Road, giving the driver no chance to avoid him. Just another gentle reminder to use the crosswalks, particularly in wet weather, when motorists have difficulty seeing pedestrians.



Pedestrian makes use of new crosswalk on Gorge Road West.

3 The Greater Victoria area is on a short-list for a federal government public transportation program. Fifteen cities in Canada have made the list for the Urban Transportation Showcase Program. Four to six of the communities will be notified in mid-May if they are successful. The Greater Victoria proposals, which would cost \$8.5 million—one third of that from the federal government—are designed to get more people out of cars and using alternative transportation, including buses and bicycles, according to Chris Foord, Marketing and Communications Manager with BC Transit. They would be phased in over five years under the plan, which was drawn up by BC Transit in conjunction with municipalities and other stakeholder groups. Foord said that improved service would tie in with expanding a cycling corridor network and improving multi-modal connections, including bike lockers and park-and-ride facilities to reduce automobile dependence. He also highlighted the queue-jumper bus lanes at the Trans-Canada Highway at Tillicum and McKenzie which makes a bus commute a lot quicker, the idea being to make people move more quickly, not necessarily vehicles. Foord figures the community has a good chance of winning the funding. The Victoria area is already a cycling hot-spot in the country and the implementation of U-PASS—university and college students pay with their student fees and their student cards are their bus

passes—has driven up transit ridership. The showcase program would also offer real-time bus information at stops. Through the use of GPS signals and the latest telecommunications technology, riders would know when the bus will actually arrive, rather than when it is scheduled.

By Paul Gerrard

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Join Dennis Minaker for an historical walk along the Gorge on May 10th. Meet at the foot of Gorge View Drive along the walkway at 1:00 pm.

Our neighbourhood's transition from farmland to suburbia chiefly began during the development boom that swept the West prior to the First World War. During a six year period, the number of residences throughout Greater Victoria more than doubled as land speculators carved up old estates into new subdivisions.

The largest property to be marketed locally was Craigie Lea Farm, established along the Gorge by James Yates in 1852. Selling the farm's prime waterfront lots dated back to the 1880s, followed in 1905 by the remaining property advertised as "140 acres with a dwelling house, four acre orchard and farm buildings". Soon afterwards James Stuart Yates announced that "Craigie Lea property, having been sub-

divided into lots, affords excellent sites for suburban residences. The Gorge tramcar line, within a few minutes walk of most of the property, renders this area most desirable". By 1908, marketing was taken over by other developers such as the BC Land and Investment Company. This prominent firm (with much of James Bay and Fairfield in its real estate portfolio) then subdivided the neighbourhood between Tillicum and Harriet roads even further, producing the building lots we have today. Their advertisements of the period, comparing the local area to other waterfront properties along Dallas Road and Beach Drive, featured the headline "BUY UP THE GORGE AND AVOID THE WIND."

Gorge View Park, advertised as "The Superb Residential Suburb of Victoria" was another large property developed locally. Built upon the former estate of the Ker family known as

"Ferniehurst," this development stretched from Tillicum Road west to Dysart. Full page ads in the Victoria Daily Colonist of June, 1910 praised its "rolling meadow land, with three or four beautiful groves of oak and fir. The soil is perfectly adapted to fruit growing and strawberry culture, as a visit to any neighbourhood garden will attest. Quarter acre lots with common waterfront rights thrown in for good measure. Most of the streets are already graded. Sign posts clearly designate the street lines and the surveyors' stakes will enable anyone to find any desired lot without the slightest difficulty.

"No lots will be sold before Monday morning at ten o'clock. Be at the temporary office on the property, just across the Gorge Bridge. First come, first served." Other inducements to buy included views of the Gorge, a promise of city water to be laid on Gorge Road and Austin Avenue, plus "underpriced lots purposely hung up in every block. The first to the tape gets them. This is no handicap race. If you can not be there yourself, send the boy." As most houses in the neighbourhood weren't built for another twenty years, that Monday-morning rush to buy probably remained the realtor's dream in 1910.

By Denis Minaker, author of "The Gorge of Summers Gone"

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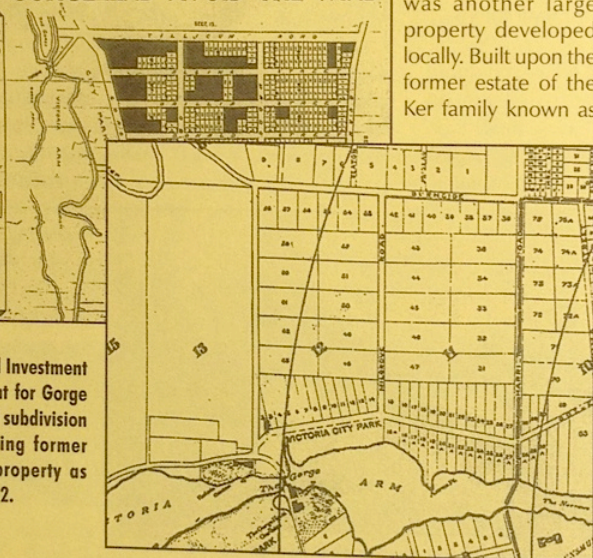
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