

# Village News AGM, Community Dinner, Summer Movie Nights

**CELEBRATING 18 YEARS** 

Spring/Summer 2024

# **SVA Free Movie Nights, Summer 2024**

We are proud to present **TWO** Free Outdoor Movie Nights this summer!

Saturday, August 17th

Saturday, August 24th





Saanich Fairgrounds 1528 Stelly's Cross Road

Gates open at 6:00 pm - Movie starts at dusk

Food, Popcorn and other snacks, Cold Drinks available for purchase

Pre-movie entertainment: Live music by Shenanigans on the 17th / Peninsula Panthers lawn games on the 24th

Made possible through the fabulous partnerships with the District of Central Saanich, the Peninsula Country Market, the Brentwood Bay Community Association and many local businesses!

Come for dinner, bring your blankets and chairs and take in all the fun!











#### **SVA - Mission Statement:**

The Saanichton Village Association is a collection of business and residential members who work to enhance the friendly and supportive "village" environment of Saanichton, primarily through presenting opportunities for locals to gather and interact, while at the same time showcasing local retail, services, farms and other businesses.

# **Community Dinner**

After 4 years' absence, the SVA was very pleased to once again hold their Community Dinner on March 6th at St. Mary's Church. New and old friends gathered as a community to enjoy the scrumptious food catered by Fresh Cup Roastery Cafe, and tap their toes to music performed by local band, Shenanigans. A great time was had by all!



#### **Annual General Meeting**

The SVA Annual General Meeting was held February 7, 2024 at the Pioneer Museum. It was a full house with Saanichton residents and business members in attendance, along with the Mayor and several Council Members from the District of Central Saanich.

As reported at the meeting, major initiatives the SVA was involved in last year included the Outdoor Movie Night held in August at the Saanich Fairgrounds. It was a huge success with over 1,000 people in attendance. The 19th annual Saanichton Community Christmas was held on Dec 2nd, raising approximately \$10,000 which was donated to the Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank. The dollar value of the donations came from cash and food donations, as well as donations made through carriage rides, photos with Santa, pizza donations, and from the Central Saanich Lions pancake breakfast.

Ryan Vantreight, FireSmart Coordinator with the Central Saanich Fire Department was the guest speaker for the evening. Ryan is a certified Wildfire Mitigation Specialist who offers free, confidential Home Partners Program (HPP) Assessments. He is also working on a community wildfire resiliency plan to educate residents on preparedness for wildfires.

For more information, including locations this program applies to, please visit:

https://www.centralsaanich.ca/fire/firesmart

## **Community Spotlight**

## **Michell Excavating**

Michell Excavating's origins go back to when the Michell Farm was established in the 1800s on the Saanich Peninsula.

Today, their extensive services include excavation projects, trucking & hauling, disposal of concrete or compost. Their products include many types of soils and aggregates, some of which they produce themselves.

Please visit their website for full details regarding their services and products.

#### michellexcavating.ca

Phone: 250-652-1640 7473 East Saanich Rd., Saanichton

#### Fraser Orr's Butcher & Deli

Fraser Orr's Butcher & Deli has gained a reputation for its quality meat, homemade sausages, meat pies, and haggis. They provide a multitude of meat choices, from steaks to roasts, specialty cuts, chicken and pork. They do their best to source local and Island-grown products from nearby farms to ensure the products are hormone and antibiotic free.

Their deli serves up 13 different varieties of meals, from single-serving pies to soups, steak and prepped dinner ideas.

View their daily specials on Facebook or Instagram.

Phone: 778-351-2280 108 - 1931 Mt. Newton X Rd., Saanichton

# Did you know?

When you deposit your used bottles and cans in the Bottle Depot's bottle return bin at the Saanichton Shell station, the money goes towards the Saanichton Village Association's community projects and initiatives. This is a great way for you to help us help our community! Thank you!

# Do you enjoy social media?

Are you looking for ways to be involved and volunteer in the community? If so, we'd love to hear from you to possibly help out with the SVA's Social Media activities. Please email us at:

saanichtonvillageassociation@gmail.com

#### **Your Current SVA Board Members**

James Dies - *President / Website*Martina Redman - *Treasurer*Nik Burton - *Secretary*Misty Watson - *Vice-President*Judy Beinder - *Member at Large*Anne Delves - *Newsletter / Volunteer* 

The SVA Board and members wish to send a heartfelt "Thank You" to Mike Moore for his dedication and service as Vice-President for the SVA. Mike stepped down from his position earlier this year. We wish him all the best!

The SVA also welcomes Misty Watson to the Board as Vice President. Misty has lived in Saanichton since 1998 and is one of the founding business members of the SVA, having been a SVA member for 18 years. We look forward to the fresh, new ideas Misty will bring to our projects in the community.

#### **Around Town**

The SVA is always looking for more people to get involved, so please let us know if you have an interest in being more involved in the community.

FYI - There are public washrooms available at the District of Central Saanich municipal hall. It is also very dog friendly.

Keep an eye out for the Saanichton Totems Beautification Project! The municipality is waiting for drier weather to complete it, but it will be done this summer.

# Residential memberships are \$10 a year Business memberships are \$120 a year Farm memberships are \$60 a year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_
Phone: \_\_\_\_

E-mail addresses are kept confidential and are used for SVA newsletters and notices only.

Pease make your cheque payable to: **Saanichton Village Association** and mail to the address below. Or join by going to:

https://www.saanichtonvillage.com/about-us/membership



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