



Improving the Park

This fall the Trust will be working to improve the amenities at Richard Bolton Park for our residents. Everyone can look forward to the installation of a swing set, improved lighting, and picnic tables.

In addition, we are planning to rebuild the multi-use pathway along the southern edge of the park, plant additional trees and make improvements to the existing pathways connecting playground equipment and seating areas so that it becomes more user-friendly for families.

President's Message

This past September marks an important anniversary: five years ago, the first UniverCity residents moved in! This is a great opportunity to look back at how far we've come in five short years and to look ahead at the exciting new projects already underway.

In 2004, a hundred or so new residents of The Cornerstone (UniverCity's first completed residential building) gathered in the Town Square to commemorate the launch of this community. Since then we've added considerably to our population. Several weeks ago another group of residents, including some of the very first people to live here, again gathered in the square to celebrate five years of creating our unique community.

With the addition of several hundred new residents who have moved into the Hub and Altaire projects, UniverCity is now home to more than 2,500 people.

As we've grown, so has the strength and vitality of our community fabric. This past year we've enjoyed numerous resident-led festivals and events, including pilot projects such as the Farmers' Market, which have become a significant part of the routine of this community.

We've also witnessed significant investment in new amenities and services – namely the new elementary school and Nesters Market. These two projects strengthen the community and add considerable convenience for our residents.

Our growing local population is also attracting new businesses and community services. The coming months will see the opening of new services, among them Club Ilia, a new full-service restaurant and lounge overlooking the Town Square.

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Slowing Down for You & Your Children

Residents and visitors are reminded that roads at UniverCity have a speed limit of 50km/h. Coming off the faster arterial roads around UniverCity it's, sometimes hard to make the transition to a lower speed. However, it is vital that all drivers make the effort to slow down when they enter community roads to ensure the safety of all resident, especially young children.

To further encourage drivers to slow down, the SFU Community Trust is working with the City of Burnaby to examine traffic calming options for community.

The Trust is also working with the RCMP to address speed issues in the community through enforcement and education. If you have any questions about enforcement of speed limits in the community, please contact the local RCMP Community Policing Office at 604-656-3200.



Our New School

We're very happy to report that the school is now well underway. The Burnaby Board of Education recently began renovating the former East Academic Annex building and is now very busy creating the new elementary school. A partnership of the Province, the Burnaby Board of Education, the City of Burnaby and the Trust, UniverCity's new elementary school is fundamental to building the fabric of our community.

Before we can all celebrate the opening of the new school next September, a great deal of work needs to be done. Currently the School Board's contractors are excavating the future playfield, as well as renovating the existing building to make sure it's ready for the first students. Of course, all work on the project will meet UniverCity's stringent requirements for efficiency and sustainability, as well as the Province's standards for student safety and security. Upon completion, the school is designed to achieve LEED Gold green building certification.

Here are some of the exciting features of our new school:

- For the community, welcome recreational space and programs, and community use and programming of the school during the evening hours.
- For the children, naturalized play areas as well as purpose-built outdoor classrooms and an outdoor amphitheatre. To prevent waste, they will be built from materials recycled from the site.

Complementing our high standards of construction, the School Board and the SFU Faculty of Education have collaborated to develop a sustainability-focused curriculum that uses the UniverCity community as a teaching tool.

This is an exciting and long-awaited project that speaks loudly about the goals and culture of our innovative and sustainable model community. We look forward to its completion with pride and anticipation.

A New Childcare Centre

Beginning in the spring of 2010, we expect work to be underway on a new childcare facility at UniverCity. Operated by the SFU Childcare Society, this new facility will offer first-class care to children aged 3 to 5, with priority given to UniverCity residents. This new program will fill a significant need in

our growing community, and the Trust is extremely pleased to move ahead with it.

This vital service will be housed in a ground breaking "Living Building" that will recycle its own water and generate its own electricity, significantly decreasing its impact on the environment. This purpose-



Public Art at UniverCity

SFU Community Trust recently partnered with Liberty Homes to develop and launch a series of 15 brightly-coloured townhouse gates as part of the UniverCity Public Art program.



Vancouver-based artist Erica Stocking's work "Yellow Fence" takes its inspiration from the wire-mesh construction fencing used here on Burnaby Mountain to examine the division of public and private spaces. The work, integrated into the gates of the townhouses along the Cornerstone Mews frontage of Liberty Homes' recently completed Hub @ UniverCity project, explores this dichotomy while also providing an attractive complement to UniverCity's most recent mixed-use development.

Residents are invited to ponder and enjoy Yellow Fence, a unique new feature of our beautiful community. Brochures providing more information on this work can be picked up at the Trust office (in The Cornerstone) or downloaded from our website at www.univercity.ca.

How to Shrink Your Carbon Footprint

Live greener and save money by taking advantage of UniverCity's sustainable transportation options. Residents are eligible for both the transit pass and community car programs, providing two inexpensive and convenient alternatives to private automobiles.

Take advantage of UniverCity's subsidized transit pass through the UniverCity Community Transit Pass program. The first of its kind in Canada, the pass aims to increase transit ridership in the community by providing a cost-effective automobile alternative.

The pass allows residents unlimited travel throughout TransLink's service area for \$29.67/month, compared to \$130 for a regular priced pass.

Residents are also eligible for a Community Car program, operated in partnership with the Cooperative Auto Network, which allows access to community automobiles located throughout the community on an hourly or daily basis.

For more information on these programs, please contact the Trust by email at info@univercity.ca, or by phone at 604.291.3000

New Parking Rules

New parking regulations have been implemented at The Cornerstone. These new regulations will ensure there is ample parking for everyone in the community using the amenities along University High Street.

Breakfast at the Peak

Himalayan Peak is now open for breakfast on weekdays from 8 am to 10 am. The menu consists of a wide variety of western-style classics, all for under \$10 dollars. Look for the Peak to be open for breakfast on weekends in the near future.

built facility will also be built to support and respond to the educational needs of the children, facilitating a progressive Reggio Emilia model of early childhood education.

Altogether, UniverCity children will benefit from a wonderful curriculum offered in one of the most sustainable buildings in the world. We are aiming for the highest standard, one that will inspire others and truly serve the needs of the youngest members of our community.

Our new childcare facility will be located adjacent to Richard Bolton Park in close proximity to the new elementary school and the existing Verdant childcare facility.

Community Room Bookings

Are you interested in joining or starting a tot play group? Do you need a space to hold an activity, a meeting or birthday party? UniverCity has a Community Room that is available for use by all UniverCity residents.

Located in The Cornerstone building (Unit #130) next to the Simon Fraser Dental Centre, the Community Room has a kitchen area, chairs, tables, and space for young children to play in – complete with toys.

If you would like more information, please contact the Trust by email at info@univercity.ca, or by phone at 604.291.3000

What's Happening

If you would like to receive regular information about what's happening in the UniverCity community, at SFU, and in Burnaby, please email us at info@univercity.ca and ask to be added to our community email list.

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expansion. Recently, the Trust entered into an agreement with a development partner for a new residential project at the corner of University High Street and Tower Road across from the elementary school. When completed it will offer housing for as many as 150 new residents – continuing

the vibrant development of our unique mountaintop community.

Sincerely,
Gordon Harris
President & CEO
SFU Community Trust

Local Businesses & Services

Azzi Hair Studio

Hair, Body Spa & Esthetics
604-291-7227

Bamboo Garden

Rice, Noodles & More
604-298-9869

Bell at Celltown

Communications
Wireless Phone Service
604-320-2570

Booster Juice

All Natural Smoothie Bar
604-568-2979

Club Ilia

Eatery & Lounge
Opening Fall 2009

Cornerstone Printing

Full Service Print Shop
604-568-3929

Donair Town

Donair & Fresh Juices
604-298-8188

Ellesmere United Church

Service and Worship
778-782-8474

Eyes in Motion

Testing, Contacts &
Eyewear
604-298-3937

Highlander DVD

DVD & Game Rental
604-294-6616

Himalayan Peak

Indian Cuisine & Lounge
604-205-9069

Ichibankan Express

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Illumin8 Tanning Studio

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Microcomputer Store

Computers, Service &
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Nature's Garden

Homemade Organic Meals
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At The Cornerstone
604-298-1807

Pearl Fever Tea House

Sweet Bubble Tea
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Pizza Point

A Slice of Heaven
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Plum Garden

Noodle House
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604-299-9813

Renaissance Coffee

Coffee, Dessert, & Lunch
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Scotiabank

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