



Davis Realty News

In this issue we are going to offer you a few trivia challenges, some fun facts and maybe even a chuckle or two!

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Are you Smarter than a Fifth Grader?

Do You Know Victoria?

Victoria is home to several lakes. Only one is known as bottomless due to the fact it is so deep no one has figured out the depth. Which of these lakes is it?

Beaver Lake Spectacle Lake Elk Lake Thetis Lake

Victoria's fastest growing industry is tourism. Which one of these attractions is not situated in the Inner Harbour?

Undersea Gardens Bchart Gardens Wax Museum BC Museum

Victoria is said to have an exciting local night life. Which of the following was not a nightclub in Victoria in 2005?

Evolution The Blue Jacket Legends The One Lounge

A fair share of celebrities originally come from Victoria. Which one of these is famous for songs such as "I'm Like a Bird" and "Try"?

The Moffats Swollen Members Hot Hot Heat Nelly Furtado

Which of these will you not find at Beacon Hill Park?

Kiwanis Tea House Mile '0' Petting Zoo Putting Green

Which annual summer event occurs every year at Willows Beach in the second week of June?

Oak Bay Tea Party Marathon Race Bathtub Race Sailboat Regatta

In what strange ritual do many Victorians participate in on an annual basis?

Teddy Bear Picnic Dog Walking Flower Count Rose Pruning

With our mild climate Victoria has one ski hill that can be reached without taking a ferry. Which of these is it?

Blackcomb Whistler MT. Baker MT. Washington

Which local television personality has a band named after him or her?

Meribeth Burton Amanda Thompson Hudson Mack Jason Pires

What is the name of Victoria's newspaper?

The Province Monday Magazine Victoria Daily Times Colonist

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5 Minute Ice Cream

1 1/2 to 2 cups frozen fruit
(raspberries, strawberries etc.)

1/2 cup sugar

2/3 cup heavy cream

1 tsp vanilla

Combine the frozen berries, sugar, cream and vanilla in a food processor or blender. Process until the fruit is roughly chopped and mixture resembles ice cream. Your ice cream is ready to enjoy! Freeze for a couple of hours if you prefer a firmer texture.



The Questions below were asked on an exam given to 16 year olds in the UK last year. The answers they gave are very interesting!

Q. Can you name the four seasons.

A. Salt, pepper, mustard, vinegar

Q. What are steroids?

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs

Q. How can you delay milk turning sour?

A. Keep it in the cow.

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie.

Q. What does "varicose" mean?

A. Nearby

Q. Give the meaning of the term "Caesarean section".

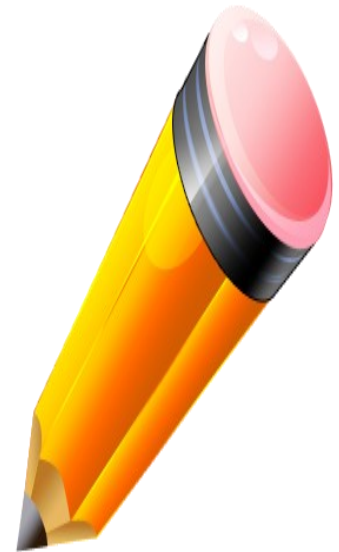
A. The caesarean section is a district in Rome.

Q. What is a seizure?

A. A Roman Emperor

Q. What is a terminal illness?

A. When you are sick at the airport



So as you can see... there are a lot of fifth graders who are indeed smart and 16 year olds who try hard!

1. Thetis Lake

Beaver Lake and Elk Lake are very large in size, both connecting to make a very long chain of lakes, but both are still not as deep as Thetis Lake. Spectacle Lake is known for its high population of Crawdads and its acidic ph level.

2. Butchart Gardens

Butchart Gardens is located about 14 miles North of Victoria and covers over 50 acres. The gardens offer spectacular floral views and fireworks on Saturdays during the summer.

3. The Blue Jacket

Evolution features modern rock, metal and punk. Legends is found underneath the Strathcona hotel and plays new releases of pop and hip hop. The One Lounge has large T.V. screens and features the latest in pop and hip hop.

4. Nelly Furtado

Nelly's may be from Victoria, but her Portuguese background definitely influenced her debut CD Whoa! Nelly. The Moffats, Hot Hot Heat and Swollen Members also come from Victoria.

5. Kiwanis Tea House.

Beacon Hill Park is the largest park in Victoria, and a hot spot for both tourists and locals. The Kiwanis Tea House is found at Willows Beach.

6. Oak Bay Tea Party

The Oak Bay Tea Party is a fair that comes once a year to Willows Beach. It has rides, food, games, bands, fireworks and more. A good time for the whole family.

7. Flower Count

Victoria is known as the city of "flower beds, "newly weds" and "nearly-deads" ! Once a year almost every flower in Victoria is counted, added up and then bragged about in the coldest parts of Canada.

8. Mount Washington

Located just outside Courtney on Vancouver Island, it is possible to drive to the mountain in about four hours from Victoria

9. Hudson Mack

Amanda Thompson, Jason Pires and Meribeth Burton can all be found reporting news Hudson Mack has been doing the same for many years.

10. Times Colonist

The Times Colonist is the oldest daily newspaper in Western Canada and was founded in 1858.

They say...

The market is doing this or that. But exactly who are *they*? No one really knows so here is the opinion of someone you can call and say "you were right on or not. This is what Jack Davis says...

The market overall is very well balanced but also a little extreme in some categories. Single family homes offered for sale at a realistic price up to around \$600,000 are selling quickly and still often attract multiple offers. Property above this price are not selling quite so fast. However if priced right they will sell in a reasonable time. Condominium sales are a bit sluggish due to the abundance of new units under construction being added to the inventory. The best values in the condo market are in older well cared for buildings. These older units are generally much larger and offer far more square footage for the money. So there you have it, feel free to call and discuss your thoughts about what my opinions are. I do know that you would never be able to find whoever *they* are to do the same.

Jack's Night Out at the Movies

The lucky winner of this issues "night out" is William Trenholme. He has won tickets and treats for two at the movie of his choice.

Want to enter for the next draw? Give Jack a call: 250-598-6200 to say hello *or* send a quick email to: jdavis@davisrealty.ca He likes to hear from his clients... anytime!



As we move into the busy spring and summer I want to thank you for your loyalty over many years and let you know that I appreciate your referrals!

A Recipe *for* Success in Life!

Plan while others are playing.
Study while others are delaying.
Begin while others are procrastinating.
Work while others are wishing.
Listen while others are talking.
Smile while others are frowning.
Commend while others are criticizing.