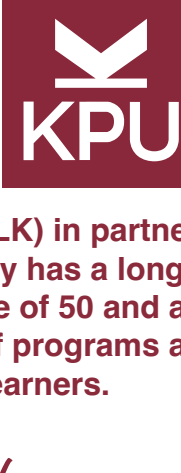


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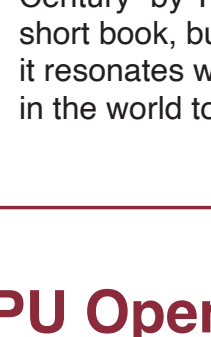
FALL 2024

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TALK's Courses in November

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	Unlocking the Limitless Potential of the Mind *see below 10 am Surrey	Role of Nurse Practitioner in BC 10 am Surrey	Philosophers' Corner 10:30 am Richmond	TALK AGM 10 am Richmond
Remembrance Day: Campuses closed	POSTPONED Vimy Ridge: the Battle and its Impact 10 am Zoom	Making Sense of Climate Change (wk 1) 1 pm Surrey	Philosophers' Corner 11:30 am Surrey	History of Architecture 1 pm Richmond
Japanese Culture 10 am Langley	Market Failures and Government Missteps 10 am Zoom	Making Sense of Climate Change (wk 2) 1 pm Surrey	Canadian Nurses in Wartime, originally scheduled on November 27th, has been postponed to December 9th.	
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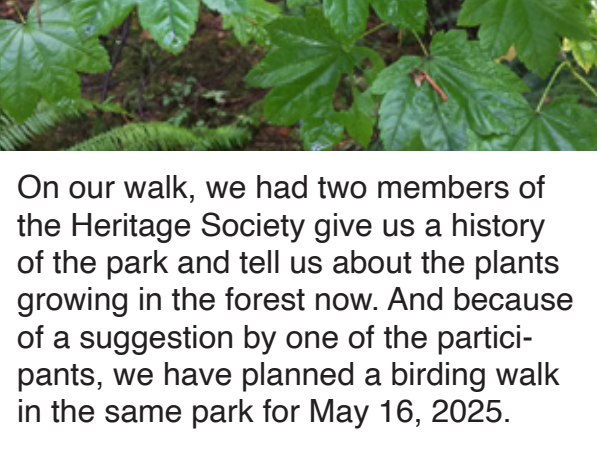
Field Trip	Online	Richmond	Surrey	Langley	Cloverdale
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Report on Philosophers' Corner

Wisteria Place, Richmond
By Jean Garnett

Richmond's Philosophers' Corners continue to be very popular at Wisteria Place; 35 attended the October 3rd session, including several people there for the first time.

The topic was "From democracy to tyranny: can it happen?" Shirley Stonier introduced the topic and referred to the book, "On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century" by Timothy Snyder. It is a short book, but worth the read as it resonates with what is happening in the world today.



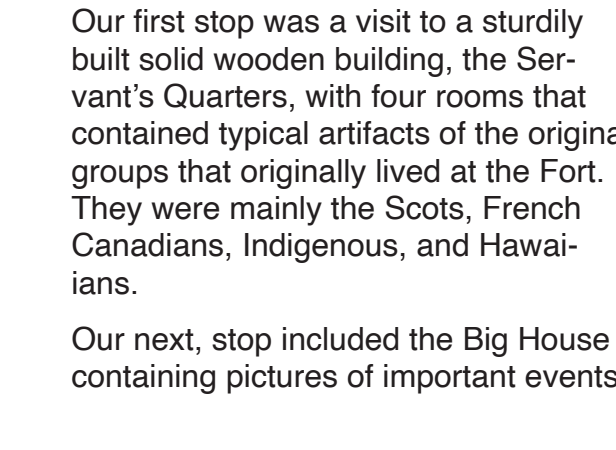
The next topic on November 7th is "Did God invent man or did man invent God?"

Philosophers' Corners are open to the public; you don't have to be over 50 or a TALK member to attend and you don't have to register ahead of time – just drop in. We'd love to see you!

KPU Open House

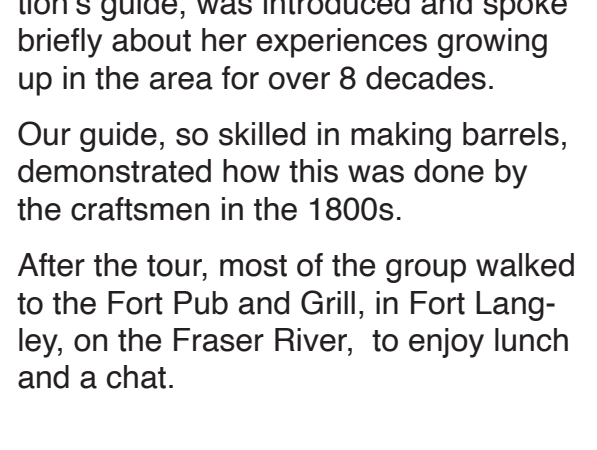
October 5th @ 11 am – 2 pm at Surrey campus

By Sonya Furst, TALK Marketing Chair



The Open House was attended by an astounding 1200 visitors! Our TALK table, which looked very attractive with a wide variety of TALK informative materials, had 177 or so visitors of all ages. Many brochures, flyers were handed out, along with some great swag.

Carol Mitchell from our Program Committee assisted and we were able to spread the word to many about TALK.



Courses in Review

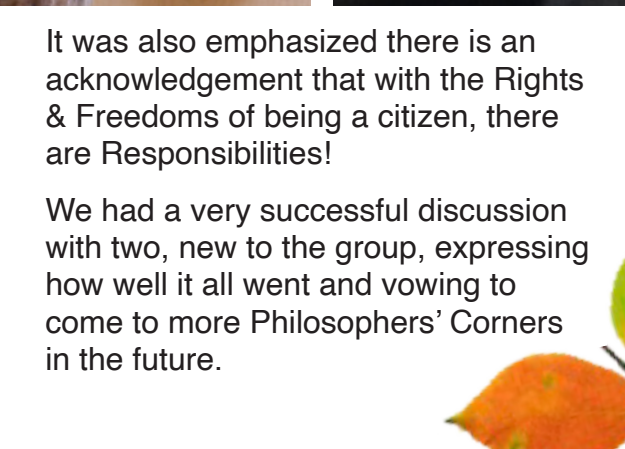
Field Trip: Sunnyside Acres Urban Forest Park

By Patricia Warshawski

On October 7, 2024 eight TALK members and I participated in a two hour nature walk around Sunnyside Acres Urban Forest Park. Sunnyside Acres Urban Forest Park was one of the first dedicated urban forest parks in Canada, thanks to Surrey residents voting to protect it in perpetuity in 1988.

Once established, an inspired group of residents successful the Sunnyside Acres Heritage Society, an organization dedicated to ongoing stewardship of the forest.

Today, they work closely with Surrey Parks to protect, enhance and raise awareness about this important community asset.



On our walk, we had two members of the Heritage Society give us a tour of the park and tell us about the plants growing in the forest now. And because of a suggestion by one of the participants, we have planned a birding walk in the same park for May 16, 2025.

Field Trip: Fort Langley National Historic Site

By Carol Mitchell

On October 15th, fourteen people keen to explore the Fort Langley National Historic Site met our guide, Rita Bruneau.

Originally, the Fort was built in 1827 as a Hudson Bay Company fur trading post on the shores of the Fraser River.

Our first stop was a visit to a sturdy built solid wooden building, the Servant's Quarters, with four rooms that contained typical artifacts of the original groups that originally lived at the Fort. They were mainly the Scots, French Canadians, Indigenous, and Hawaiians.

Our next, stop included the Big House containing pictures of important events in British Columbia's early days such as becoming part of Canada.

As well, on the second floor we enjoyed an exhibition on Hope Meets Action: Echoes through the Black Continuum, a display presented by the Black History Awareness Society. Nearby, outside the Museum's garden, was mature and still producing vegetable.

Today if you want to experience the inside of a 19th Century Canadian Fort, you, your family and your friends can rent an oTentik and spend some time, a weekend for example, inside the fort.

We then explored how barrels were made and used, and how the furs got packed to be shipped to Europe.

Fortunately, we spent time in the last remaining original building, still standing! In this building, Hazel, a first nation's guide, was introduced and spoke briefly about her experiences growing up in the area for over 8 decades.

Our guide, so skilled in making barrels, demonstrated how this was done by the craftsmen in the 1800s.

After the tour, most of the group walked to the Fort Pub and Grill, in Fort Langley, on the Fraser River, to enjoy lunch and a chat.

Report on Philosophers' Corner

City of Langley, Library

By Heather Cross, Facilitator

On Thursday, October 24th, we held our monthly Philosophers' Corner in the City of Langley, library.

Langley Corners are always held on the 4th Thursday of the month, starting at 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Thanks to the gracious accommodations of the Community Librarian Supervisor, Sandeep, we are always welcomed and provided with snacks.

Not only was there a variety of coffee, tea and cookies but there was fruit, too!

The topic for today's discussion was: "How do we define what it means to be a good citizen?"

There were a total of 9 of us present.

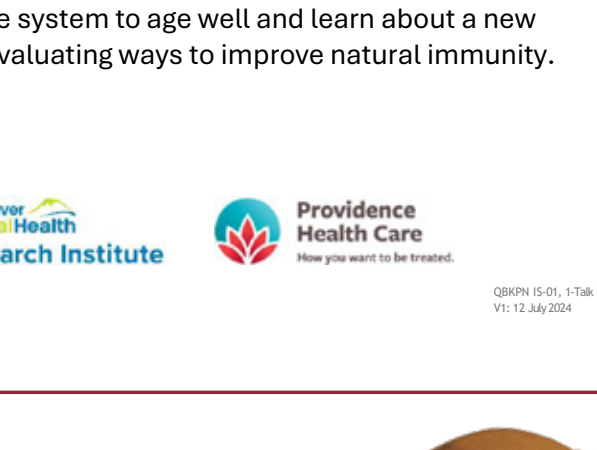
The topic, though not controversial, elicited much conversation and feedback.

Every one participated and brought forward many thoughts and suggestions.

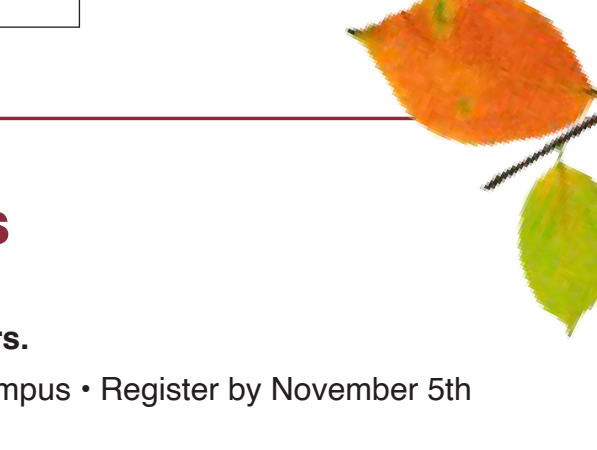
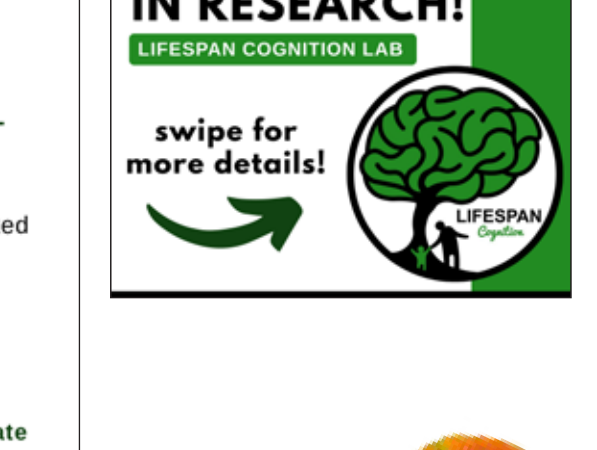
Many of the suggestions discussed are sanctioned by the Government of Canada, on being good citizens.

Heather (Facilitator), presented statistics from a 2011 National Survey, from Canadians on Citizenship with the highest percentage of attributes being: "Treating ALL equally!"

95% of those surveyed believe this to be top priority of "being a good citizen".



Jim & Marilyn Kelly, regular attendees, jointly presenting their views on the topic.



It was also emphasized there is an acknowledgement that with the Rights & Freedoms of being a citizen, there are Responsibilities!

We had a very successful discussion with two, new to the group, expressing how well it all went and vowing to come to more Philosophers' Corners in the future.

TALK was invited to KDOCSFF

KPU Surrey, Fir Building

By Heather Cross

Greg Chan, who has conducted several Film studies for TALK, hosted another KDOCSFF, on October 25th 2024. I was privileged to be among the "test audience".

Advocating for Social Justice and Fairness for the "rights" that were promised to them as International students!

Film maker in residence, Shubham Chhabra in collaboration with KDOCS, screened two films.

Chhabra masterfully weaved the true narratives of students, into compelling stories punctuated with humour and grit, while exposing the seedy underlying schemes of unethical and perverse "scams", perpetrated on the unsuspecting students.

'Cash Cows' and the documentary 'Working Title', are both riveting.

As well as the film maker being on site at the Film Festival, he was also one of the panelists who accepted questions from the audience. Others on the panel were: The main protagonist Actor of the film, advocate and Chairperson from BC Federation of Students, Asstt, Professor SFU, and a guest film maker.

