

# One WALL CENTRE

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## Around the House (1) – Hotel Car

Due to staffing cuts at the hotel, we have been advised that they will not be able to accommodate any requests for rides until mid-January 2012 at the earliest.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but we have no control over the matter. The car has only ever been offered “subject to availability.”



## Around the House (2) – Orderit.ca

Recently some of our residents have used this new food delivery service, and have suggested we recommend it to others. Unlike food delivery services from individual restaurants, where you can have anything as long as it's Chinese, for example, Orderit features a menu of selected items from some of the city's favourite restaurants and caterers.

So you could select a pizza, with Won Ton soup as a starter, and Tiramisu to follow up. You can order by phone, by calling 604-678-5372, but do check out their web site first. It's at [www.orderit.ca](http://www.orderit.ca). We will try to have some of their printed brochures in the lobby, but they are scooped up briskly.

## Around the House (3) – Hotel Parking Spaces

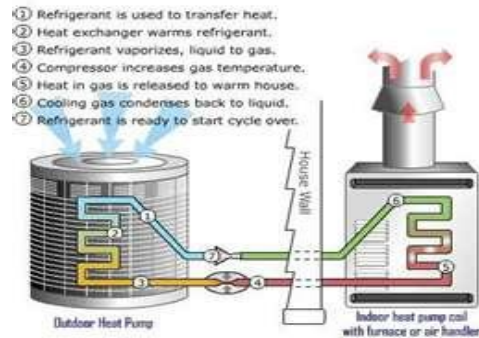
We take this opportunity to remind residents that you must only park in our own Parkade on P4 or P5, unless you plan to pay for a spot in the hotel. If you use your fob and then park in one of the hotel's spots, you face the possibility of having your car towed away.

Be warned that all of our security cameras have recently been upgraded. The parking attendants are being very diligent in upholding the instructions they have been given. Don't take a chance. If they stop you as you try to leave, we won't be able to help you.

## Around the House (4) – Heat Pump Filters

With the change of the seasons, now may be a good time to replace the filter in your heat pump. We have all sizes in stock, for \$10 each, or \$5 for the small ones in the lower suites. Please ask now, to avoid disappointment.

### How a heat pump works.



## Around Town (1) – Polar Bear Swim

The Vancouver Polar Bear Swim Club is one of the largest and oldest Polar Bear Clubs in the world. Its initial swim was in 1920 when a small number of hardy swimmers took the plunge into English Bay on New Year's Day. Led by their founder, Peter Pantages, the swim has grown from around 10 swimmers in that year to the record number of 2,128 official entries in 2000.

Today, the swim takes place at 2:30pm on Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>. Costumes and the Peter Pantages Memorial 100 yard swim race are the highlights of this event. Registration takes place in front of the English Bay Bathhouse from 12:30pm - 2:30pm as on each New Year's Day. Donation of non-perishable food bank items will be accepted. Your free membership includes a commemorative button after you take the plunge. Note that this will be the 92<sup>nd</sup> swim held in the city.



For further information about the Vancouver Polar Bear Swim Club, contact [Glenn Schultz](#) of the Vancouver Aquatic Centre.

#### Around Town (2) – Motorcycle Diaries

So what's the main purpose of January? Why, to plan your summer vacation, of course. And to get your thought processes going, Tradex in Abbotsford is hosting the 2012 Motorcycle Show.

The event is a showcase of new motorcycles, ATVs, scooters, and related products and services. As the brochure says, if it is motorized and on two wheels, it's here! The show runs from January 19<sup>th</sup> until the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Adult admission is \$13, youths get in for \$8, and children under 5 are free. Members of the Armed Forces get in free at any time.



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Parking will cost you \$5.

Please see [www.fvtradex.com](http://www.fvtradex.com) for all the details. Saddle up, and get yourself there.

#### Around Town (3) – Vancouver Playhouse

The Vancouver Playhouse presents *Red*, a new play by John Logan. "There is only one thing I fear in life, my friend... One day the

black will swallow the red." Under the watchful gaze of his young assistant and the threatening presence of a new generation of artists, Mark Rothko takes on his greatest challenge yet: to create a definitive work for an extraordinary setting. *Red* is a moving and compelling account of one of the greatest artists of the 20th century whose struggle to accept his growing riches and praise became his ultimate undoing.



The play runs from January 14<sup>th</sup> until February 4<sup>th</sup>, on the Playhouse main stage at the intersections of Hamilton and Dunsmuir Streets, just a short walk from One Wall. Please call 604-873-3311 for tickets.

#### Around Town (4) – Calendar Girls

When middle-aged Annie Clark loses her husband to leukemia, her best friend suggests a-ahem-cheeky new way to raise money for research. But their fellow Women's Institute members, balk at baring, or almost baring, it all. Gradually, though, these prim tea-and-crumptet ladies of a certain age come around to the idea and learn to delight in their newfound pluckiness and status as international sensations.



This is the revealing, true story of the *Calendar Girls*, which has also been immortalized in film. The show is at the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, on Granville Street at 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Please call 604-687-1644 for tickets.

## Around Town (5) – Soledad Barrio and Noche Flamenca

"Noche Flamenca star Soledad Barrio dances as if she's channeling 500 years of pain, despair, and passion...the small, muscular dancer moves with an introspective quality that is deeply personal, almost private, yet somehow universal. And it seems to unfurl totally in the moment, with an intensity and focus that is riveting." *The Boston Globe*

Spain's most respected flamenco company has been burning up stages around the world with its raw, deeply emotional performances of virtuosic guitar, cathartic song and spectacular dance, thrilling both audiences and critics in the process.

Bessie Award-winning premier dancer Soledad Barrio has been hailed as "a gift from heaven to flamenco on earth." Following a sold-out Cultural Olympiad performance, here's another chance to see why the Boston Globe described their soul-stirring artistry as "flamenco in its pure essence."



There is just one show, at the Chan Shun Concert Hall on the UBC campus, on Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> at 8pm. The first heels will be clicked at 8pm. For more information visit: [www.nocheflamenca.net](http://www.nocheflamenca.net)

## Around Town (6) – Dine Out Vancouver

Dine Out Vancouver 2012 is a continuation of an annual event that allows thousands of local food enthusiasts and tourists to dine at some of Vancouver's top restaurants at attractive prices. The 2012 version will be Dine Out Vancouver's ten year anniversary.

The 2012 edition will involve each participating restaurant featuring a special three-course menu at a fixed price. The menus will highlight a BC VQA wine pairing suggestion that will delight the

discerning palate and compliment each restaurant's outstanding culinary expertise.



The list of restaurants participating in Dine Out 2012 will be released on January 9<sup>th</sup>, and the event itself runs from January 20<sup>th</sup> until February 5<sup>th</sup>. For more details please see [www.foodvancouver.com](http://www.foodvancouver.com). Yum, Yum!

## Around Town (7) - Waiting for Godot

Well, the obvious joke would be: you go to see *Waiting for Godot*, but you can't get in as the line is so long. Brilliant? Absurd? A lot of meaningless nonsense? Blackbird Theatre presents that play - Samuel Beckett's harrowing, funny, and deeply human masterpiece. The award-winning company behind 2009's smash hit *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* brings to life a seminal work of the 20th century where nothing happens...twice.



"Blackbird Theatre has turned everything it's done so far into gold and... there's no end in sight." - The Vancouver Courier. Details of performances are at [www.thecultch.com](http://www.thecultch.com). The show runs until January 21<sup>st</sup>.

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