

WORKERS FIRST

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Stately old Goward House swings its doors open to all

2495 Arbutus

The doors of a stately 90-year-old heritage home located on 2.5 wooded hectares in Saanich will be open to the public for a series of lectures and events starting Sunday.

Goward House Society, home to the Goward family from 1913 until its sale to Saanich municipality in 1973, is primarily a cultural activity centre for seniors. But spokesman Lehni Pickell said the home at 2495 Arbutus Rd. serves teas and lunches through the week for the public and hosts lectures on a broad range of topics of general interest.

The July 4-27 events include a display of vintage cars including Model A Fords and Jaguars paired up with artwork by local artists. The art of writing one's own life story and creating a family biography will be discussed, as will the opportunity of becoming a Canadian host to a visiting student in a talk provided by the English Language Institute at Camosun College.

Those wishing to tap into their body's energy and healing powers can learn about Hellerwork, while gardeners who find their time is limited or the work too physically demanding may be interested in a discussion of hydroponic, or soilless gardening.

The society, which saved the house from demolition, raised \$440,000 to upgrade the facility. The society has about 700 members. To register for any one of the events, call the society at 477-4401.