

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Labyrinth to be Installed in Parksville Community Park

City of Parksville Council approved the installation of a permanent labyrinth in the Community Park, located on the concrete pad at the north end of the waterfront walkway, in the area referred to as the old hovercraft landing pad. Paint and supplies will be provided by the City of Parksville and some local artists have volunteered to assist the local Labyrinth Society gathering planning team in the creative painting of the labyrinth. The labyrinth will be completed in late August.

The City's Community Park Master Plan identified common objectives for the former hovercraft landing pad - to enhance public access to the point for use as a view point and contemplative area, to retain access to the point for the physically challenged and to provide for opportunities for water-based activities.

There is one labyrinth located in the City, painted on an asphalt surface at Parksville Elementary School and two in the Qualicum Beach area, one at Milner Gardens and the other at Valhalla on West Crescent. This new labyrinth in the Community Park is fully wheelchair accessible and is intended to provide residents and visitors with health and wellness benefits.

The 15th Annual Gathering of the Labyrinth Society will be held on Vancouver Island between September 16-22 and in Parksville from September 19-22 with registration open to the public. Information about the gathering as well as local labyrinths is available from:

Holly Carnegie Letcher 250 927-3730 pathways2wellness@bell.net http://labyrinthsociety.org http://labyrinthsociety.org/annual-gathering

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