Village Update

October 29, 2021

News from the Municipality

Mayor's Message



Hello Lions Bay,

A Council "Have your Say" (HYS) survey will be in your mailboxes momentarily. I hope everyone takes the time to fully read and understand the survey information and participate. Council looks forward to hearing from you prior to discussing their views on the HYS topic.

I would like to welcome these new families to Lions Bay:

- To lower Oceanview Road – Karla Shandroski and her family.
- To Panorama Road – Ebrahim Saadati and his girlfriend Soodeh.
- To lower Bayview – Fariba and Saeid Moradi.
- To lower Bayview – Mark & Louise Goss and their sons Jack & Joseph.

I enjoy highlighting residents who stand out. Mary was recently booking our Christmas outings. Chor Leoni is internationally recognized and this holiday season we will be attending one of their performances. Who should I find when I looked at the artists but our own Kelk Jeffery (pictured below and **bio here**). His being part of the group is a prestigious accomplishment. I know mum, Karen, is proud as are all of us, too.

About 60 Villagers attended the 50th Anniversary Committee & Átl'ka7tsem Howe Sound Biosphere Region event recently. Thank you to Ute Philips and her many helpers for coordinating this, and Ruth Simons, as team lead for bringing this prestigious designation to our Village and region. I was asked to address what being 50 means to us. I spoke about what we have accomplished since incorporation **here**. I closed by saying "My wife Mary and I became residents 42 years ago, and for the same reasons that we moved here to start our family, Lions Bay continues to attract newcomers. If you want to live in nature, raise your family, enjoy culture, and be involved in your Community through to your senior years, Lions Bay is the place to be. I like to think that our first 50 years were the growing years when a lot of heavy lifting was done, the next 50 years is going to be when we hit our stride..." I genuinely believe in our future because I know that Council and staff are working on many things that will come to fruition in 2022 and beyond and be meaningful or enjoyed for many years ahead.

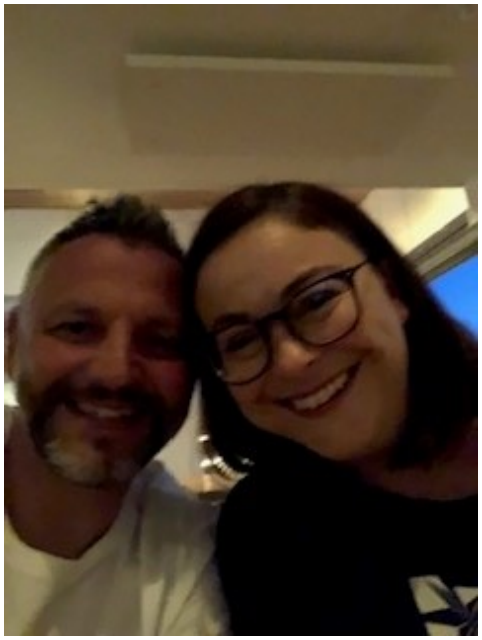
50? We think that's young for our Village. Let me announce something special. Guess who has a significant over the next few days. How about Bernice Leboutillier and Leszek Sredski who both turn 100 shortly!

Happy Halloween, stay well, and keep vigilant with yours and your family's health,

Ron
604 921 7138
Mayor.McLaughlin@LionsBay.ca









Pictured above from left to right (Kelk Jeffery, Fariba and Saeid Moradi, Mark and Louise Goss, and Jack and Joseph Goss)

Announcing our 2021 Citizens of Distinction



Hello neighbours.

Council would like to congratulate the 2021 winners of the prestigious Citizen of Distinction Award, Lions Bay Search and Rescue (LBSAR).

The Citizen of Distinction is awarded periodically in recognition of a community member or group who, through their personal or professional efforts in society at large, have exemplified the spirit of and brought honour and distinction to the Village of Lions Bay.

In brief, this award is presented to residents who have made Lions Bay proud. Through their actions, over many years, LBSAR have certainly made our village very proud. They received the honour “for dedication beyond the call of duty and demonstrating the best of Lions Bay volunteerism”.

When presenting the commemorative plaque, the mayor said, “Tonight, we recognize LB Search and Rescue, not an individual, but as a family of world class volunteers. You are distinct and worthy of special recognition.”

The idea was to surprise the LBSAR team with the award at their Monday evening meeting (with the help of SAR Manager Ed Langford). I hope we succeeded!

I received the following from LBSAR to share with everyone:

Lions Bay Search and Rescue came into existence as the result of the Alberta Creek debris flow in 1983. Initially the organization operated from the basement of Marcel Andrie, one of the key founding members and a long-time resident. Search and Rescue’s primary focus is to provide wilderness rescue and aid to back country enthusiasts in technical terrain.

The team has been in continual operation since its founding, covering the Howe Sound area from Cypress Bowl, north to Porteau Cove. Assistance is also rendered on a mutual aid basis to surrounding Search and Rescue Teams and as requested through the Provincial Emergency Program. In more recent years, this has included assistance to other agencies for lost, missing and injured society members in more urban settings.

This past year has seen our members travel to the North Shore, Squamish, Salt-Spring Island, Strathcona Park and Coquihalla.

Calls to date for 2021 total 29, including numerous lost persons, four mutual aid, seven medical assistance – one with a near fatal miss – and one fatality on the West Lion.

While COVID-19 has changed some field procedures it has not prevented the SAR team from performing regular training or rescue missions. LBSAR currently has a 42 member roster with 36 members in regular attendance. In the past year, new local members completing full membership status include Quinn Workun, Sam Sullivan and Linnea Langford.

LBSAR is very pleased to be awarded the Citizens of Distinction Award. Accepting the award from Mayor Ron McLaughlin and Councillor Neville Abbott was Martin Colwell, a founding member and the longest serving active member of Lions Bay Search and Rescue.







Paving November 1

BA Blacktop will begin preparations for paving Isleview Place on Monday, November 1, 2021. Please visit the website at www.lionsbay.ca/paving for more.

We apologize for the inconvenience this is causing and thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this work. If you have any questions or concerns or have any special issues that need addressing, please email works@ lionsbay.ca.

A MESSAGE FROM FIRE CHIEF ANDREW OLIVER

GOT AN OLD CAR?

LBFR is looking for Auto-X cars for practice. If you have an old car you could donate, please contact Chief Andrew Oliver by email (aoliver@lionsbayfirerescue.ca), text, or call 604-690-4908.

Donors will be provided with a tax receipt (up to a maximum of $200) and LBFR can arrange for a tow if the car cannot be driven.



Lions Bay: Are we “general urban” or “rural” (inside or outside the Urban Containment Boundary)?

Issued by Council for the Village of Lions Bay

Why are we asking this question?

All municipalities in BC belong to a Regional District. Lions Bay is a member municipality of the Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD, or “Metro”), previously known as the Greater Vancouver Regional District (GVRD).

When Metro implemented their new bylaw to restrict and regulate the use of residential wood burning appliances, the fact that Lions Bay is designated as urban and identified as being within Metro’s Urban Containment Boundary (UCB), meant we would be subject to additional requirements and ultimately a ban of non-compliant wood stoves and open fireplaces unless manufactured fire logs were used. Communities outside the UCB are not subject to these additional requirements, including the Villages of Anmore and Belcarra, and Bowen Island.

Lions Bay asked to be exempted from the wood burning bylaw in accordance with the community’s wishes (public consultation throughout the Village occurred in 2019). This request was denied by Metro, although an extension for full compliance was granted until September 2032.

When the bylaw came into effect this year, over 200 Lions Bay residents signed a

request for Council to move Lions Bay outside the UCB.

Council also heard from residents at council meetings and by email. Staff from Metro Vancouver were invited to address Council to answer questions about the difference between “general urban” and “rural” communities, and what the urban containment boundary means in Metro’s plan for the region.

The request received from residents was discussed by Council at its regular meeting on July 27th, 2021, and Council decided to ask the community the question formally: in terms of how we live and how Metro defines urban and rural communities, is Lions Bay “general urban” or “rural”? With the benefit of additional information, Council is asking you to Have Your Say.

How does Metro define a rural community (outside the UCB)?

- Level of development does not require urban services from Metro (sewer or transit within the community)
- Protect character of rural communities, landscapes, and environmental qualities
- Uses: low density residential; small scale commercial, industrial, and institutional uses; agriculture
- Not intended for future urban development

How does Metro define an urban community (inside the UCB)?

- Residential neighbourhoods, shopping, services, institutions, recreation, parks – “urban densities”
- Place-making, enriched public realm, transit-oriented communities
- Transit, multiple-occupancy vehicles, cycling, and walking are the preferred modes of transportation.

Council has compiled background information and a list of Frequently Asked Questions in a Have Your Say brochure you will receive in your mailbox (one response per Lions Bay resident or property owner, not one per household). It includes a form for you to weigh in on this question which you may complete and drop off at the office, or scan and email to feedback@ lionsbay.ca. **Preferably**, residents and property owners will fill out the information and form online so that it can be automatically compiled and formatted through the Village website software.

The deadline to complete the survey is Monday, November 15, 2021.



As of November 1st, the Lions Bay Beach Park Washrooms will be closed for the season.

Paid parking is also no longer in effect; this applies to all 3 paid lots and the on-street parking areas. Paid parking will start up again on April 1, 2022. Please continue to abide by all other

parking regulations.

Thank you.



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING November 16, 2021

- Climate Action Committee - November 2nd at 7:00 pm

View the Council/Committee Calendar, Agendas, Videos and Minutes here!



HOW TO REVIEW AND UPDATE YOUR ACCOUNT

Last week on October 21st we ran our annual test of the LBAlert emergency notification system. Those of you who are signed up for the system should have received notifications on each of the methods that you selected; these methods include phone, email and text notifications. During this annual test it is a good time to evaluate which methods you are getting notified on. If your email address or phone numbers have changed you may want to update your profile information. If you did not receive the test message on a method of communication you were expecting, it would be prudent to check your account to make sure all of your information is correct.

LBAlert is provided through a third party service called ePact. When you signed up for LBAlert you were asked to create an ePact account which contains your contact information for use by the notification system. In order to change this information you just need to follow these steps.

1. Go https://www.epactnetwork.com/en/login to log into your ePact account. Log in using the email address and password you provided when signing up for your account. If you cannot remember which password you used click on “Forgot password?” and follow the instructions.
2. On your ePact page select your name in the upper right corner and select

"Personal profile" to edit your phone number(s) or "Account settings" to modify your email.
3. Add or modify the information you wish to change and save your profile. If you have added or changed a cell phone number for texting, ePact will send you an access code to verify your phone number.

You have now updated your information in ePact, and when we need to send out information using LBAlert you will now receive it using the information you have provided. Thank you.

What's Happening in Lions Bay

LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION ~ LBCSF

NOVEMBER SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Over the past 17 years the LBCSF has awarded 59 Scholarships totalling over $23,000.

NOVEMBER FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN ~ Please MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION !

Join us in meeting our goal to recognize **more** of our community's outstanding students and with **more substantial** awards. We seek to double our $80,000 endowment in 2021. To meet our motto, **"Helping Our Students Grow"** we must ***"Help Our Endowment Grow".***

Major donors have provided an amazing start raising $31,477 of our $80,000 goal since April 2021. This November, we ask the Lions Bay Community to join our Major Donors to collectively match (and surpass) the $31,477 raised to date taking us well toward our goal.

Our LBCSF Endowment is fully sustainable, the principal remains intact each year with the Vancity Foundation. Your tax deductible donation, will continue to give in perpetuity, so we may always recognize our Village graduates.

Please Donate ~ Your Contribution will make a difference:

1. **Send a Cheque to the 'Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation', Box 197, Lions Bay, BC V0N2E0**
2. **Donate directly online by clicking the button below:**

DONATE

All Donations over $20 will receive a 2021 Tax Receipt.

Thank you to our 2021 Donors for their generosity.
Please join these donors in supporting the students of Lions Bay.

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Registration is open for 2022-2023

Lions Bay Elementary School is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year.

Please visit the West Vancouver Schools website to register.

A Natural Environment to Nurture Confident Leaders

*Nestled in the coastal forest above Howe Sound, **Lions Bay School** provides a learning environment like no other. Students are given the unique opportunity to become globally conscious and locally active citizens through inquiry, environmental education, and place-based learning. Our multi-age classrooms foster leadership and social-emotional learning. Students thrive in a setting that encourages them to become independent learners who build their education on a foundation of compassion, collaboration, and critical thinking. Don't hesitate to contact Vice Principal Natalie Mendes (nmendes@wvschools.ca) to book a tour or find out more about this special place.*

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