THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

# Weekly Village News

***Week Ending: Friday, April 17, 2015***

## From the Mayor's Desk

Lions Bay Field will be plug-aerated by a landscaping contractor late next week. The cost is being covered by donations, including from many young field users who've handed over their own money willingly. Talk about a sense of ownership!

The School District is supplying 40 cubic yards of top-dressing sand, which must be applied soon after the aeration.

So, I'm calling for volunteers to show up at Lions Bay Field starting at 9:00 a.m. next Saturday April 25, with work gloves, wheelbarrows, fan rakes and shovels. Let's get the stuff spread.

If the weather cooperates, the Fire Department has generously offered their mega barbeque to be fired up around noon, so please bring meat, fixings and whatnot, and we'll sit on the Field of Dreams contemplating the future greensward. The School District has also offered to supply seed, so volunteers will be needed again a week or two after we apply the top-dressing.

The field is designated as a "joint-use facility," and maintenance is in fact Lions Bay's responsibility, but the municipal budget can only provide for mowing this year. Further donations for fertilizer, soccer nets (we are getting regulation goals donated), maintenance items, and other field stuff will be gratefully received on the day or at any time--contact me for details.

See you next Saturday!
Karl (mayor.buhr@lionsbay.ca)

**WATER MAIN FLUSHING**

The Public Works Department's spring water main flushing program is running slightly ahead of schedule – crews have completed flushing work on Sunset Drive, Bayview Road, Mountain Drive, Timbertop Drive, Centre Road, and Crosscreek Road (and side roads). They will be starting on Oceanview Road, Upper Kelvin Grove Way, and Isleview (and side roads) on Monday. Thank you for your continued cooperation during this seasonal flushing program!

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## UPCOMING COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Bylaw & Policy Review Committee: Monday, April 20th at 7 p.m. – *Library Meeting Room*
Council Strategy Committee Meeting (COTW): Tuesday, April 21st at 3 p.m. – *Village Hall*
Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 21st at 7 p.m. – *Village Hall*

Please note that the above mentioned meetings are not in Council Chambers. (The library meeting room is accessed via the door to the left of the library from the upper path).

## LIONS BAY YOUTH

Calling all Lions Bay youth! Check out the new Lions Bay Youth Facebook page, set up by Lions Bay youth, for Lions Bay youth! There's information on the upcoming "I LOVE LIONS BAY" Photo Competition, events, cool photos, volunteer opportunities, and much more. Please "share" and "like".

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY – AGE FRIENDLY PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Village has a temporary, part time opening for an Age Friendly Program Coordinator to facilitate our weekly 55+ program (fully funded by the Age Friendly Grant). Visit www.lionsbay.ca/employment.html to view the details of this posting.

## INFRASTRUCTURE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Have a question for the Infrastructure Committee? Please send it to feedback@lionsbay.ca with the subject line "Infrastructure Q&A".

**Question:**
What actions do you recommend for residents to conserve water in anticipation of running low?

**Answer:**



- Replace shower-heads with lo-flows—the modern ones work much better than the old aerating style
- Replace toilets when needed with dual flush
- Fix ALL drips
- Shut down water features that draw from the Village water system
- If you've been considering instant hot water systems, now is a good time
- Listen for sounds of running water and investigate them.
- Don't run water needlessly
- Consider setting up a rain-barrel system for garden watering
- Be aware that once-through cooling (including swamp coolers), power generation, once-through water features and large-scale hydroponics will most likely be explicitly banned in a new Water Bylaw due in late Spring
- Attend the up-coming Community Safety Forum (Thursday April 23rd @ 7PM) for more ideas and information

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**TALENT CALL**

Juggle, dance, sing, or play the spoons? Prizes and glory await you at the inaugural competition of Lions Bay's Got Talent. We are looking for performers of all ages to compete for cash prizes. Start practicing now to impress the judging panel!



Applicants must reserve their spot in the competition by emailing lionsbaytalent@gmail.com by April 30, 2015. Space is limited, so sign up soon. The event will be held at the Village Hall on Thursday, May 21st from 6-8 p.m.

Donations at the door will be appreciatively received on behalf of Erin Moore's Enchanted Garden. Snack bar will be open.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SHORT TERM ASSIGNMENT**

The Lions Bay Emergency Social Services (ESS) program is introducing the "LIFE Baggies" (Lifesaving Information for Emergencies) program for the Village during the Safety Forum, Thursday, April 23rd, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. LIFE Baggies contain a form for you to complete with medical information for you or members of your family that would assist emergency personnel during a crisis in the home.

LIFE Baggies will be hand delivered to every home in Lions Bay during National Emergency Preparedness Week, May 3rd-9th, 2015. **If you are an occupant of a secondary suite in Lions Bay, you can pick up a LIFE baggie from the Village Office after May 9th, 2015.**

We are looking for as many as 30 volunteers to help hand deliver these new "LIFE Baggies". Interested volunteers are asked to attend the Safety Forum Thursday, April 23rd. Volunteers unable to attend at this time will be given individual instruction, prior to the start of the assignment.

Bonuses include:

- Exercising while walking door to door in Lions Bay
- Meeting new neighbours
- Enjoying a moment with friends and neighbours
- Feeling good in that you are helping individuals and the community
- Meeting volunteer requirements for graduation
- Contributing to the success of a program that could save a life – which could be your own or a member of your family.

Volunteers should be:

- Physically fit to walk from home to home
- Available during the week of May 3rd– 9th, 2015

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact:
Sally Pollock – 604-921-9739 or sallypollock@gmail.com
Ingrid Wray – 604-781-5326 ingridwray@mac.com

**THE LIONS BAY 55+ CLUB**




The Lions Bay 55+ Club will be hosting a talk on "Seniors Personal Safety", presented by the RCMP, on April 22nd 1-3 p.m. at the Village Hall. Did you know that there are red flags to watch for to safeguard against becoming victims of crime? Come join us to find out what they are.
Please RSVP, for refreshment purposes, via phone at 604-921-9333 ext. 103 or email office@lionsbay.ca

We are also busy planning talks, activities, and an outing at the end of May. If you have any ideas or suggestions, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact councillor.waterson@lionsbay.ca, the interim coordinator, or a member of our pro-temp team. And for those who have been wondering, we would like to let you know that costs for this program are funded by the Age Friendly Grant received in the early part of this year; this includes the temporary coordinator position.

Upcoming Events (1-3 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Village Hall):

April 22 – **Personal Safety and Fraud Prevention by Squamish RCMP**
April 29 – **Healthy Eating by Vancouver Coastal Health**

**An RSVP to office@lionsbay.ca for any of the above mentioned events would be appreciated.**

**COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM: THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2015 FROM 7-9 PM VILLAGE HALL**

Lions Bay's location at the foot of the mountains surrounded by trees means we need to be aware of some risks. Villagers are encouraged to attend this informative and interactive meeting to prepare for the upcoming season of living with wildlife and what could be a dry, hot summer.




Hear from Conservation Officers regarding wildlife management, RCMP and Block Watch on crime prevention, Lions Bay Fire Rescue and BC Wildfire Service on fire prevention, Village Infrastructure Committee on water conservation, and Emergency Social Services introduces the "Life Baggie".
Ask questions and view the exhibits. Refreshments provided.

**LIONS BAY ARTS COUNCIL**

The 2015 Arts and Garden Festival is to be held Sunday, May 31, 2015. We are looking for gardens and artists that would like to participate in this year's event. Please e-mail info@lionsbayartscouncil.org or call 604-921-2520 if you are interested in being part of this wonderful display of Lions Bay artists and gardens.

**YOUR FEEDBACK HELPS TO MAKE US BETTER!**

If you have comments, questions, kudos or concerns, we want to hear them! Suggestions for ePost content? Programs for the hall? General odds'n'sods? Send them to our "virtual suggestion box" by emailing feedback@lionsbay.ca