Weekly Village News

Friday, May 29, 2015

From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

Two readers objected that my Transit Plebiscite paragraph last week appeared to espouse a particular position. On re-read, I agree. I apologise. My only goal here was to have a high participation in the vote, to be pointed to in future discussions with TransLink. Please inform yourself and vote on the issues in the 2015 Metro Vancouver Regional District Transportation and Transit Plebiscite. Ballots must be received by Elections BC by 8 pm TODAY.

Following up on the announcement that Mandy Giesbrecht is leaving us, please take a look at the municipality's advertisement for the CAO position, not necessarily to apply for the job, but to understand Council's view of what the senior manager of the Village looks like.

One more municipal thing. I'm shocked at the cost to the Village of Freedom of Information requests. So far this year, staff have allocated over 30 hours to "FOIPPA" requests and this number is still increasing. Where the information requested relates to a third party, there is an added cost of obtaining legal advice needed to protect privacy. Anyone is of course fully entitled to make a FOIPPA request; indeed, I see freedom of information as a foundational right of our country. Some municipal costs for FOIPPA processing, like copies, can be recovered, but legal costs and most importantly the staff time cannot. At the scale of Lions Bay, those resources are lost to us forever.

Regards,
Karl

CAO Job Posting

PROPERTY TAX NOTICES 2015

The Village of Lions Bay Property Tax Notices for 2015 are being mailed out today. The due date is **July 14th by 4:00 p.m.**

Home owners can pay by cheque or cash at the Village Office, online through most financial institutions, or by dropping off a cheque after hours through the mail slot at the Village Office.

The Home Owners Grants are also due by July 14th. Home owners can now claim their grants online; please go to the homepage on the Village website and follow the link or click below: (To apply online you will need your roll number and the **HOG Access Code** which is located on your property tax notice below your name and address. **The HOG Access code is your password**).

Claim Your Grant Online

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Upcoming Council & Committee Meetings:

- Regular Council Meeting - June 2, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
- Infrastructure Committee Meeting - June 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings will take place in Council Chambers. The Village office stays open until 6:30 p.m. on Regular Council Meeting days in order to serve you better!

Upcoming Meetings

THE LIONS BAY 55+ CLUB

The 55+ Club has been very active this month. We've had a talk on nutrition, moved our bodies and minds through the Stretch & Strength and Tai Chi Class and even hosted a lively outing to Squamish for a round of Mini Golf. Over 40 people came out to enjoy some village comradery over pizza and cards which was a wonderful opportunity for the 55+ Club to hear

from other members of the community as to what activities they would be interested in partaking in.

Due to the enthusiastic response to Tai Chi, we are scheduling 5 sessions throughout June and early July. Please join us for the following sessions:

- Tuesday, June 2nd - Tai Chi (11:15am)
- Thursday, June 4th - Stretch and Strength (1:30pm)
- Tuesday, June 9th - Tai Chi (11:15am)
- Tuesday, June 16th - Tai Chi (11:15am)
- Tuesday, June 23rd - Tai Chi (11:15am)
- Tuesday, June 30th - Tai Chi (11:15am)
- Wednesday, July 8th - Tai Chi at Lions Bay Beach (10am)
- Wednesday, July 15th - Tai Chi at Lions Bay Beach (10am)

Weather permitting for the two sessions at Lions Bay Beach. If it is too hot or raining, the session will be held in the Village Hall. All sessions are free to residents of Lions Bay.

If you would like more information, or you would like to be removed or added to our email list please contact Karen Jeffery, Age Friendly Coordinator at kjeffery@lionsbay.ca.

Calendar

DAILY WATER PRODUCTION GRAPHS

A daily Water Production Graph has now been added to the Village website and will be updated each weekday to reflect daily production (consumption) rates. Find the graph on the Village website on the home page.

Today's Graph



NATIONAL HEALTH & FITNESS DAY

Come join your fellow Villager's, our Mayor and MP John Weston at the Lions Bay school field for the Great Lions Bay Fitness Challenge on Saturday, June 6th. The route map is attached if you wish to

Saturday, June 6, 12 noon

partake in the Great Trail Run, or for those who would prefer, stay for an invigorating group Yoga Challenge, hosted by Ian Grant, Lions Bay Yoga and Pilates Instructor. Please also stay for the prize presentation of the "I Love Lions Bay" Photo Contest. The agenda is as follows:

- **12:00pm:** Participants arrival and sign up (waivers to be completed by all participants)
- **12:30-1pm:** MP John Weston will kick-off the event with an introductory speech and warm-up stretch for those who wish to participate
- **1:00pm:** Trail Challenge begins
- **2:00-2:30pm:** Trail Challenge concludes, participants can partake in refreshments and pick-up their Trail Challenge Certificate.
- **2:30pm:** Lions Bay Great Yoga Challenge begins. Ian will demonstrate and lead the participants through a series of yoga poses called the Sun Salutation, with the final challenge being the participants holding a 60 second plank.
- **3:00pm:** Mayor hands out yoga certificates and sponsors hand out the prizes for the "I Love Lions Bay" Photo Contest. There will be a total of 15 winners.

All participants will be required to complete a waiver upon signing up for events. Light snack and cold beverages will be available to participants at conclusion of activities.

Trail Run Route Map

BYLAW REPORTING

Weekdays: Village Office (604) 921-9333 or reception@lionsbay.ca
Weekends: Bylaw Officer (604) 834-3404 or bylaw@lionsbay.ca

If, at any time, residents experience an event which poses an immediate threat to personal safety, please contact the RCMP by dialing 9-1-1.

2016 BUDGET REQUESTS

The Village is inviting residents to submit suggestions for consideration in the 2016 budget. Please send your requests to feedback@lionsbay.ca for consideration in the budget process, which will commence mid-fall.

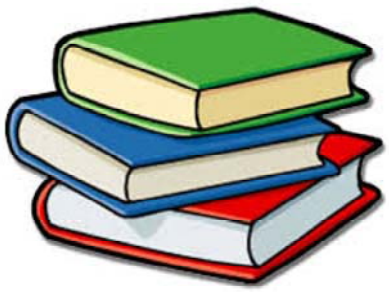
ARTS & GARDEN FESTIVAL

The Arts and Garden Festival will be held on Sunday, May 31st from 11am to 4pm. Don't miss out on this fun event with performances by local musicians, art and jewelry sales, garden tips, refreshments and appetizers, and much more!

A big thank you to Carole and Mark Bajus for hosting the LBAC Reception following the Arts and Garden Festival - 6:00 Start at 425 Mountain Drive.

Arts & Garden Program

LIBRARY



We wish to thank the Village residents who took the time to attend our "Opening Tea Party" this past Sunday. It was a lovely day, and enjoyed by many who had not yet seen our new surroundings.

Our next event takes place on:

Tuesday June 16, 2015 from 7:15-8:30pm
When the Library presents:
"WHERE DO YOU GO AT NIGHT"
By West Vancouver Author PATRICK HILL

Come and share his family's adventures sailing throughout the Pacific - from enjoying the Palm trees in the South Seas to viewing the mighty Alaskan glaciers. All sailors and dreamers are invited to this presentation at the Library. Please RSVP to agates@shaw.ca.

WATER CONSERVATION

Water conservation level 1 starts June 1st under the Outdoor Water Use Bylaw No. 484, adopted by Council on May 19, 2015. A hard copy of the water conservation level chart will be mailed to each residence with the property tax notices.

Outdoor Water Use Bylaw No. 484

ORGANICS DISPOSAL BAN

(Excerpt from Zero Waste Implementation Team, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver)

Enforcement of the Organics Disposal Ban begins on **July 1, 2015**. The ban takes place at regional disposal facilities, where they will receive the surcharge and will then determine how it is transferred back to clients. No penalties are being charged prior to July 1, 2015. Since the Organics Disposal Ban came into effect, thousands of tonnes of food scraps have been recycled!

I LOVE LIONS BAY PHOTO CONTEST



The final numbers are in and we've had 97 photographers submit over 350 entries. Everyone really loves Lions Bay! Now we need your help to pick the winners, this Sunday, May 31st, from 11am to 3:00pm, as part of the Lions Bay Arts & Garden Festival. Once again we would like to send out a big thank you to our sponsors: Andrea Klas Fitness, Ideal Property Works (Mike Jury), Kim Tayor Real Estate, Mortgage Dave, Pure by Ami Mckay and Steve's Trees, as well as a generous donor. The prize presentation will be next Saturday, June 6th, during the Lions Bay Fitness Challenge Day...winners will be notified! There's also going to be a "Save the Children" Charity Bake Sale...so bring your toonies. See you Sunday.
-The Lions Bay Photo Contest Team.

Photo Contest Flyer

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