Village Update

March 25, 2022

Updates from the Municipality

Create or update your family's emergency plan

Lions Bay Emergency Support Services (LBESS) is a volunteer run organization to help out people in our community. In the event of an emergency or disaster, LBESS can supply assistance to residents for a period of up to 72 hours and can offer vouchers for food, shelter and clothing to those in need.

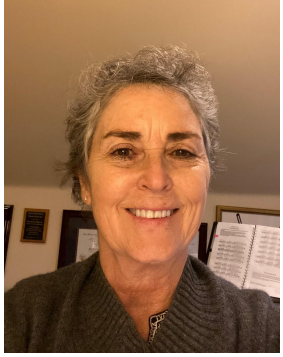
Village residents, Mary Brown and Leslie Nolin are Lions Bay's new Co-Directors. Together they have decades of professional and volunteer service experience under their belts and each month will offer ideas, tip and tricks to help you prepare your home and family (including pets) to meet the challenges of an emergency or disaster.

This month let's talk about preparing a family emergency plan. Get together with your family and a pizza or two and start planning. Engage every member of your family in this discussion so it feels safe and inclusive. Discuss safe exits from your home and neighbourhood. Decide where you might reunite as a group should the emergency event happen when everyone is out and about. Who will be your close-by and out-of-town contacts? What arrangements need to be made for your pet(s)? These are just a few jumping-off points for constructing a family emergency plan.

A **printable planning guide** can be downloaded from the Government of Canada website. It is 8 easy steps and can be completed in less than 20 minutes!

The Canadian Red Cross also **offers a template** to support Family Preparedness.





Pictured above from left to right:
Phil Folkerson, Emergency Program Coordinator, Leslie Nolin and Mary Brown, ESS Co-Directors

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Residents of Isleview Place should by now have received a letter in the mail advising of a necessary interruption in water on March 30, 2022, between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. This work is taking place in advance of the paving works scheduled to take place later this spring and is required to facilitate the replacement of a valve and fire hydrant at the entrance to Isleview Place. Staff will do their utmost to restore water as soon as possible but plan an outage for the full 6 hours.

Residents may experience discoloured water after the repair and should clear their water lines once water service has resumed. To do this simply let a cold-water tap (remove screens/aerators on tap) closest to the incoming water line run until the water flows clear. Any amendments to the duration of the shut down or date of the work will be posted in the Village Update so please make sure you are registered to received it here: **www.lionsbay.ca/vu**.

We understand that this work will cause significant inconveniences and we apologise in advance for this. If you require any extra assistance or need to let us know of a particular consideration such as medical needs, please do not hesitate to email **works@lionsbay.ca**. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this process. Thank you.



Just a reminder that in order to receive the Prompt Payment Discount, your utilities must be paid by **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31**. If you did not receive your Utility Notice, please contact the Village Office.

If you have any questions, please email **accounting@lionsbay.ca**.



By now you'll have noticed the return of many of our migratory birds, including American Robins and tiny Rufous Hummingbirds. Stop for a second and think about their incredible journeys over thousands of miles to make it back to Lions Bay… for such small creatures, these long trips are truly one of nature's miracles.

Did you know that nearly all songbirds and even some shorebirds and waterfowl migrate at night? One of the greatest dangers they face is the ever-increasing presence of artificial lights during their journeys. Birds are attracted to- and disoriented by lights, which can lead to collisions and other serious dangers. Window strikes are one of the leading causes of death for migratory birds in particular. But we can each take a few simple steps to reduce the impact of light pollution on birds, for example:

1. **Direct all outdoor lighting downward**. Place lights to illuminate only the floor or the ground and use lighting shields to prevent light shining into the sky.
2. **Turn off lights by midnight during bird migration seasons** (April – May and August – September). It is particularly important to take these measures as early in the evening as possible, because birds begin their nocturnal migrations at dusk during spring and fall migration periods.
3. **Reduce the amount of light outside your home or place of business**. Turn off all non-essential nighttime lights. For essential lights, such as security lighting, use timers or motion detectors to keep usage to a minimum. And always use the minimum wattage necessary for the task at hand.
4. **Change the color of your lights from cool to warm**. Studies suggest that green and blue light attracts more nocturnally migrating birds than red, orange, or yellow light. Use light bulbs that emit warm lighting to minimize disturbance to birds.

5. **Share the message** to “dim the lights for birds at night.” Speak to family and friends and share these messages through social media and other outlets to increase awareness of this important issue.

Keep an eye on your mailbox for a **useful guide** that outlines more ways to make your home safer for birds (donated by the **BC SPCA** and **Nature Canada**). And **click here** to read more about how we can each do our part to protect our birds. You can also join us on **Facebook**.

Don’t forget to mark your calendars for our first Bird Friendly community event to celebrate World Migratory Bird Day on Saturday, May 14th! There’ll be something for the whole family, including two fun activities for kids, a walk to see the eagles lead by John Dudley, burgers on the grill by the Curly Stewart committee, tea/coffee by the Seniors’ Social Circle and displays by the Bear Smart, Native Plant Garden, Howe Sound Biosphere Region and Bird Friendly teams. See you there!

From the Lions Bay Bird Friendly Team



NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: April 5th at 6:00pm*
*Closed agenda at 6 pm and Open agenda at 7pm

- **Trees, Views and Landscapes Committee Meeting: March 29th at 11am**
- **Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund Award Committee Meeting: April 4th at 5pm**
- **Committee of the Whole Meeting: April 7th at 7pm re: Geohazards**

View the Council and Committee Schedule, Agendas, Minutes HERE!

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found **here**.

Public Viewing Etiquette:

- *Public participation is still available on Zoom, during the Public Participation section of the agenda. Attendees will have two minutes to speak on any matter at the beginning of the meeting.*
- *Silent viewing only, until you are called upon to speak (if desired).*
- *Please do not interrupt Council discussion.*
- *Limit background distractions by muting your microphone and keeping video turned off until such time as it's your turn to speak (if applicable).*
- *If interruptions are repeated, the participant will be removed from the meeting*

What's Happening in Lions Bay

LIONS BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY "LOOKING BACK"

Dear Lions Bay Residents & Friends!

A year has passed since we lost our dear friend and WWII Veteran Sir Norman Kirby.

While our lives are busy there must always be time to allow ourselves to reflect on our history.

The date of March 24th is that day when we honoured the three words: "Lest We Forget" with a "2 Minutes of Silence Remembrance"

On this date and the days that integrate into the new normal we send our thoughts to Vickie Kirby.

Flowers are placed at the Memorial Cairn in Memory of Norman and his Military Service.

May our beloved Norman "Rest In Peace"

On Behalf of the Lions Bay Historical Society

Tony Cox (Chair) and Trudi Luethy





Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation

CALLING ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation presents Scholarships to successful Grade 12 applicants from the Lions Bay Community who are pursuing further education at a post-secondary institution.

The Rafe Mair Scholarship is a privately funded, scholarship first awarded 2021. It is available to a

deserving student who has demonstrated a keen interest in one of the areas close to Rafe Mair's heart: community, broadcasting, politics, environmental issues, mental health, lifelong learning or journalism.

Applications are due by 4pm Tuesday, May 3, 2022 for both the LBCSF and Rafe Mair scholarships.

Get the Application Form Here

It's time for the annual...

Lions Bay Giveaway Weekend



Saturday, May 21st at 9am
until dusk on Monday, May 23rd

Please help us keep unwanted items out of the landfills by putting out your unwanted items at the end of your driveway marked FREE. Items can include furniture, books, sports equipment, toys, gardening equipment, building supplies...anything goes, there are no rules!!

Drive, walk or cycle around the village over the May Long Weekend and see what treasures you can find for yourself.

Parking regulations will still be in effect so please be mindful of where you stop to shop. Kindly remind your kids not to drop 'wanted' bikes and scooters near FREE signs.

Contact: Heather Hood at 604 992 6179 or hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com if you have any questions.

*Please note we cannot accommodate a village-wide pick up at the end of the weekend, it is up to owners to please put away or donate their own unwanted items!

Happy Shopping!
