



# Village Update

*Friday, January 11, 2019*

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## From the Mayor's Desk

Hello Lions Bay,

Happy New Year! The Village started the New Year off with a bang. Residents jumped into 2019 at the annual Lions Bay Dip'N Dash. Organized and facilitated by Kirsty Pappas, Jill Fujibyashi and Erin French of the Lions Bay Events Committee, an invigorating dip, followed by warm hot chocolate and a bonfire was enjoyed by those brave enough to take the plunge. Thank you volunteers. The backgrounds of three participants in the New Year's Dip'N Dash, as well as my meeting with MLA Jordan Sturdy this week are worth bringing to your attention.

If you like to let the shower water warm up before you get in my money says you will reflect on Eric, Nora, and Anna before you lather up next time. At the dip these individuals were in the water for fifteen minutes and swam out the farthest. Far enough in fact that I asked my Aide de Camp what our recovery contingency plan was in case of need.

Eric moved to Lions Bay last April. His grandparents (the Halstrom's) have lived here since 1981. Cold water swimming is a hobby of his, so participating in the dip was an easy decision. He swims year-round, generally at Brunswick Beach, and once unsuccessfully attempted to swim from Lions Bay to Bowen Island. (We will definitely have a contingency plan ready for next year!) Last summer he drove to Tuktoyaktuk to swim in the Arctic Ocean which he advises was about as cold as the water on New Year's Day. His next water-based goal is to drive to Newfoundland to find someone that will take him out to leap off of an iceberg.



Anna (on the right) and Nora are international students from Germany and Switzerland respectively, studying at Rockridge Secondary. Anna has been staying in the Village for the past semester and Nora is in West Vancouver but moving to the Village for her second semester.

Anna says she wanted to do the dip because it sounded like a fun tradition. Anna hasn't done anything like the dip before. Nora has taken a couple of winter dips in Swiss lakes before but hadn't swum in the Pacific until then, so wanted to check that off her bucket list.

On another matter, MLA Jordan Sturdy and I met for an hour and a half this week (and I'll be meeting with MP Pamela Goldsmith-Jones next week). My request to MLA Sturdy was that on a targeted basis, he advocates for us at the provincial level. In a system where municipalities are dependent on their tax dollars coming back in the form of funding or grants the needs are many, the opportunities are irregular, and

the projects selected are few. Lions Bay has to win these grant competitions to finance our infrastructure requirements and we need both our MLA and MP to do what they can to give us an edge. Our priorities have been sent to both and we will keep them informed as we progress with funding applications, asking for their collaborative involvement along the way. We need to see results and our efforts are geared to always having the most current information available so that they can walk the halls of government on our behalf effectively.

Regards,  
Ron

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## COMMUNITY POLICING TOWN HALL MEETING

**BROUGHTON HALL: JANUARY 17 AT 7 PM (NEW TIME)**

On January 3, 2019 there was a break-in at the Lions Bay post-office and there were parcels stolen. Anyone wishing to report parcels or mail that are missing should call 604-892-6100. Squamish RCMP and Community Policing personnel, along with local Block Watch representatives will be on hand at the Town Hall to speak about the incident and address any concerns about fraud prevention that residents may have and assist with resources such as the [Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre](#). If you have questions about the incident in the interim, please direct them to your local Block Watch Captains.

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## CHRISTMAS TREE CHIPPING - **LAST CALL**

Public Works will be chipping resident Christmas trees on January 14, 2019. Residents are encouraged to drop their trees off at the far end (southern end) of the [Lions Bay Beach Parking Lot](#) no later than **January 13, 2019**.

The service is free and only available to residents of Lions Bay. Trees must be stripped of all ornaments and hangings and be free of any metal objects.

DID YOU KNOW - Christmas lights can be recycled, too! Light strings beyond repair can be dropped off at the Waste Control Services North Vancouver depot at 1493 Dominion Street.

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## COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All meetings take place in Council Chambers (now in the former library space upstairs) unless otherwise noted. The Village Office is open until 6:30 pm on Regular Council Meeting nights.

- Regular Council Meeting - January 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm
- Infrastructure Committee - January 24, 2019 at 7:00 pm

Note: please check the [Village website calendar](#) for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

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As granted on Dec 10, 2007

Did you ever wonder what the symbols mean on the Lions Bay Coat of Arms?

Arms - The blue background and the yellow waves refer to the setting sun on the waters of Howe Sound. The two white lions represent the famous snow-capped peaks, known as "The Lions", located east of Lions Bay and after which the village is named.

Crest- The bear symbolizes the natural heritage of the area. The wild columbine is the village's official flower.

Supporters - The cougars are local big cats that also allude both to the lions in the village's name and to the animal commonly associated with St. Mark, whose Vancouver church established a summer camp that was one of the earliest settlements at Lions Bay. The columbine collars repeat the symbolism of the crest. The rocky base represents the nearby mountains.

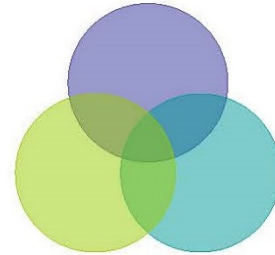
Motto - SPLENDOUR IN SERENITY; This phrase indicates the character of the village's setting and alludes to the motto of British Columbia, Splendor sine occasu (Splendour without diminishment).

Please visit Lions Bay Historical Society's [webpage](#) and [Facebook](#) page.

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## SENIORS SOCIAL CIRCLE

Tai Chi and Quigong Fusion is well underway, every Tuesday, January-March, 11:00-12:15 (with Tea and socialization!). There is a new option at a reduced rate for "newbies" and those with little or no previous experience - a half-hour session of warm up and health-promoting Quigong exercises. Come sample the fun in a wonderful relaxing atmosphere. In Broughton Hall.



Also on Tuesdays, 2:00-3:00 pm, take time to participate in meditation and relaxation with Anne Crosthwaite - "Finding Quiet". In Council Chambers (upstairs).

The North Shore Elder College Spring program ("Come Learn with Us") has a number of very interesting lectures to choose from, in many North Shore locations: "Mesopotamia - The Cradle of Civilization"; "Gardens of the North Shore"; "Canada in the Second World War"; "Healthcare"; "Bird Walks"; "From Newton to Einstein"; "Whistler Art and Culture"; and more. For details, see [www.nseldercollege.org](http://www.nseldercollege.org).

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## LIONS BAY COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION



Calling all Grade 12s - The Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation provides Scholarships and Awards to qualifying Lions Bay applicants. Watch for upcoming details, or contact your school counsellor or [lpeterso@sfu.ca](mailto:lpeterso@sfu.ca).

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We are excited to let you know that the calendar is now available for purchase at the **Lions Bay General Store**, or you can order yours at [info@lionsbayarts.ca](mailto:info@lionsbayarts.ca), via our website [www.lionsbayarts.ca](http://www.lionsbayarts.ca) or by clicking on the **Order Here** button below, at \$12 each or 3 or more at \$10 each.

You are welcome to pickup your calendars, by arrangement, we are also happy to deliver within the Lions Bay city limits. All funds are in support of the development of our ArtSpark Programme for the youth in our community and our ongoing Arts & Culture Events.

Thank you to you all for your continued support of Lions Bay Arts!

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