



Village Update

April 5, 2024

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



As many in the community are aware, the Beach Park project is ongoing, and staff are working diligently to ensure its completion this year. While there are some procedural and other matters currently under consideration, I want to assure you that the project remains a top priority. I also want to assure you that a full update will be provided soon, once these matters have been addressed and resolved.

Your continued patience and support are greatly appreciated as we work towards the successful completion of the Beach Park project.

Ross Blackwell,
Chief Administrative Officer



The Village is seeking nominations for the annual Citizen of the Year & Citizen of Distinction awards.

Please review the criteria below to nominate a Citizen by sending an email to office@lionsbay.ca. Please include their name and the reason you think they are deserving of the award.

Please click [HERE](#) for more details...

NEW ANNUAL PARKING PASS

The new Annual Parking Pass will be mailed out with the **2024 Utility Notice** scheduled for later April. Make sure to watch for them.

Some things to keep in mind:

- Each household will be issued two '2' passes free of charge.
- Extra passes are \$40 each and are not pro-rated.
- Annual passes for secondary suites are the responsibility of the owner. Extra passes may need to be purchased.
- The old purple pass which expires on March 31, 2024, will be honoured until July 31, **2024**. This extended grace-period is to accommodate Canada Post delivery, as well as the new expiry date moving forward. Please take note of it.
- Lost, stolen, damaged passes may be replaced, but are subject to the \$40 replacement charge depending on the circumstances.
- Passes are intended for residents only. Proof of residency will be required when requesting passes.



Any Questions, please call or email: [604-921-9333](tel:604-921-9333) ext. 1000 or reception@lionsbay.ca

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Dates to Watch For...

- 2024 Utility Notices will be mailed out end of April (estimated)
- Property Taxes, will be issued no less than 6 weeks prior to due date of July 14, 2024.

Ways to Pay... **Please note changes below:**

- **Cash Payments: effective immediately, cash payments will be limited to \$150.00 only. The Village Office will only accept secure forms of payment.**
- Cheques: Personal cheques are accepted. NSF fees will apply in the event of insufficient funds.
- Money Orders, Bank Drafts: issued by your financial institution
- Debit Card: in person (be sure to check your daily limits)
- Credit Card**: payments via the Village website:
<https://www.lionsbay.ca/services/financial-services/online-services>.

- Through your **Financial Institution**.
- RBC is now set up as a vendor to accept Village Tax and Utility Payments.

*** Service fees will apply.*

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As residents of Lions Bay, we take great pride of our commitment to waste reduction and recycling efforts whenever possible. It's important for us to emphasize the correct sorting of materials.



GLASS GOES IN YOUR GREY BIN

Glass is 100% recyclable and can be reused over and over again. However, it needs to be properly sorted and placed in the correct bin.

Please do not put glass in the mixed container bin – it should be placed in the grey glass bin.

If you don't have a glass bin, you can pick one up for free at the Village Office.



PAPER AND FIBER PRODUCTS GO IN THE YELLOW PLASTIC BAG

Paper and fiber products, such as cardboard, newspapers, and magazines need to be separated from other recyclables. Please do not put paper or fiber products in the mixed blue container bin – they should be placed in the plastic bags provided for paper products.

It is important to note that cross-contamination of recycling streams can lead to entire batches of recycling being rejected and sent to the landfill. This defeats the purpose of recycling and harms the environment.

If you don't have a yellow bag, you can pick some up for free at the Village Office.

For further education, click here on [WHAT GOES WHERE](#)



Each year, CN is required to manage vegetation on its right-of-way. Managing this vegetation contributes to mitigating fire risks and enhances the efficiency of inspection of track infrastructure.

To ensure safe railway operations, CN will conduct its annual vegetation management program on its rail lines in the province of British Columbia. A certified professional (Davey Tree Expert Company Ltd., 1-800-465-6367) will apply herbicides on and around the railway tracks (primarily along the 24-foot graveled area/ballast). The use of pesticides is intended within the area to which the pest management plan applies. All product requirements for setbacks in the vicinity of dwellings, aquatic environments, and municipal water supplies will be met.

CN only uses herbicides that have been approved for use in Canada and in the province within which they are applied.

The program is expected to take place from April to October 2024.

Please also find enclosed a [letter](#) from our Vegetation Manager regarding the program that may be of further assistance, or visit www.cn.ca/vegetation for more information or to make an inquiry, contact the CN Public Inquiry Line at contact@cn.ca or 1-888-888-5909.

UPDATES FROM THE FIRE CHIEF



Lions Bay Fire Rescue is in search of Volunteer Firefighters

Become a part of the team – submit your application today! Visit the Recruitment Process page by clicking [HERE](#).

To find out what the time commitment looks like or what's involved in being a volunteer firefighter, please reach out to the Fire Chief, Barret Germscheid at firechief@lionsbay.ca.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: JOIN THE EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES

We are looking for volunteers to fill many roles. Here is a list of some of the positions available.

Emergency Support Services (ESS) volunteers:

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)
- 4 courses required at JIBC (paid by province)

Walk in volunteers during emergencies:

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) volunteers:

- Criminal Records Check (free of charge for volunteers)
- 4 courses required at JIBC (paid by province)

Volunteer homeowners to billet evacuated residents:

- Type of accommodations will need to be assessed
- Province to provide a daily rate to homeowners when billeting evacuees

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please email the village Emergency Program Coordinator at EPC@lionsbay.ca.



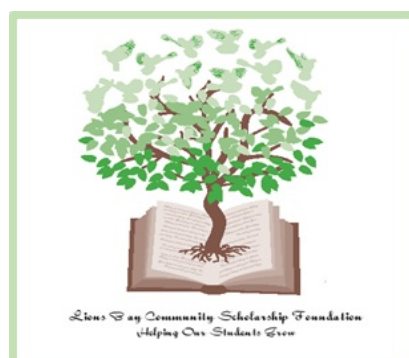
The Curly Stewart Memorial Trust Fund was established to honour the life and public service of the first mayor of the Village of Lions Bay, Allan M. "Curly" Stewart, who served from 1971 to 1981. A **\$1,000** award is given annually from the trust fund to the applicant who best exemplifies the criteria described in the official terms of reference for the award.

To apply for this award:

Complete the [ONLINE APPLICATION FORM](#) (and submit sealed reference letters to Lions Bay Village Office in person)

OR Submit a hard copy of the entire application to Lions Bay Village Office in person
[\(DETAILS HERE\)](#)

Your application along with all relevant documents must be submitted by close of business on or before May 7th, 2024.



Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation

CALLING ALL GRADE 12 STUDENTS!

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

Once again this year, additional privately funded scholarships are being administered by the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation. The Rafe Mair Scholarship and The Rudy Luethy Scholarship may be applied for through this one application process. Please review the criteria carefully on the application form. Students may be eligible for more than one Scholarship.

Applications are due 4 pm Tuesday, May 7th, 2024 for the Lions Bay Community Scholarship Foundation, Rafe Mair and Rudy Luethy scholarships. Students ~ complete your applications early and seek your applicable reference letters now.

[2024 APPLICATION FORM](#)



NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL:

April 16, 2024 at 6:00pm*

*Closed session will begin at 6:00pm followed by the public meeting at 7:00pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Infrastructure Committee - April 18, 2024 at 6:00pm

Climate Action Committee - April 22, 2024 at 7:00pm

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

[View the Council and Committee Schedules, 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 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.
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COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD & UPCOMING EVENTS

ArtSpark^{*}

*Igniting & supporting
creativity in our young
aspiring artists*

Calling junior artists ages 6-10. ArtSpark! presents the return of a fan favourite: after school art with Barbara San Severino.

This series of 6 classes will run Mondays from 3:30-4:30 at Broughton Hall, beginning Monday, April 8, with a final class on Monday, May 13.

The course is \$90 for Lions Bay Arts family members, \$125 for non-members (includes lifetime family membership, so future classes will be discounted).

To save your child a spot, email robinspano@gmail.com. The class is limited to 8 kids.

Lions Bay Tai Chi & Qigong



Tai Chi re-starts at Broughton Hall - *this is our 9th year!*

Join us it is exercise and fun!

Starts Tuesday, April 16 until June 25th (11 classes)

- Excellent, experienced, professional instructor
- Fee: \$110
- Time: Class starts 11:15am-12:15pm; Optional free herbal tea at 11:00am
- Our Instructor, Josie, starts with a short stretching warm-up
- This is followed by a variety of Qigong exercises - Josie leads, we follow
- Then Tai Chi. (Tai Chi is a series of movements, flowing in a sequence called a 'form')
- This session we will learn the 27 Yang Form, where the movements are similar to forms we have learned before, with subtle differences

Registration is required

To register, or if you have any questions or would like more information please call or email Carole at (604) 562-2204, email conlin@sfu.ca. We will send you a Registration Form, which will include Payment information.



Are you passionate about arts and culture and looking for a volunteer opportunity to contribute to our Village?

Lions Bay Arts is seeking interested residents who would like to join our Board as a Director of Lions Bay Arts. We are seeking 1 to 2 directors to fill openings as we have had retirements by long-standing directors from the Board this year.

Lions Bay Arts was established in 2010 as a non-profit society, committed to the nurturing and development of arts and culture in our Village. We have over the years sponsored many community arts and cultural events including ArtScene, our Arts and Garden Festival, our annual Christmas Fair, our ArtSpark! Programs for children and youth and many cultural events showcasing talented Lions Bay authors and performers.

We are currently seeking candidates that between them have the following interests, skills and experience:

- A passion for promoting arts and cultural within our community and the Sea to Sky Corridor
- Social media savvy including website maintenance
- Basic bookkeeping skills
- Interest in volunteering to assist with events

Our Board meets about six times a year including an annual general meeting in early spring. We have a highly committed, enthusiastic team and look forward to hearing from you.

Please email info@lionsbayarts.ca with your interest and let us know what motivates you to become involved.



EXPLORING YOUR NATUREHOOD

With artist and nature lover Vicky Earle

Sun April 14th 2:30pm - 4pm

Village Hall



Vicky is an accomplished artist who has a talent for inspiring a love of the tiniest details in your own back garden through observation, journaling and drawing.

LB Arts is offering this opportunity to hear her speak for free but we require registration to attend. This event is for adults and mature teens please

RSVP: info@lionsbayarts.ca

Save the date!

Saturday, May 11th: Community Bird-Friendly Event

9 - 1 in the
Village Hall

Photo by Danielle Wills

New activities this year! [Click here for details](#)



Lions Bay Giveaway Weekend Saturday, May 18th - Monday, May 20th, 2024

Once again, please help keep waste out of our landfills by putting out any of 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 any 'wanted' bikes or scooters near FREE signs.

*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/donate their own unwanted items.

Contact: Heather Hood - hoodinlionsbay@gmail.com



SATURDAY June22 “AVATAAR: Worldview” Jazz Concert at Lions Bay Village Hall.
SPONSORED BY Realtor Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters.

AVATAAR is a Canadian world-class jazz fusion ensemble from Toronto, whose album “Worldview” won the 2022 Juno Award for "Jazz Album of the Year – Group". Cleverly layered and cinematic in scope, **AVATAAR’s** music drives and swirls through a vast sonic palette resulting in a mesmerizing blend of rhythmic hypnotism, sonic landscapes and soaring melodies that combine ancient and modern musical sounds.

Dr. SUNDAR VISWANATHAN is joined by the “Worldview” ensemble : **Laura Swankey** (vocals), **Michael Occhipinti** (guitar), **Rich Brown**(bass), **Max Senitt** (drums) and **Ravi Naimpally** (tabla). **AVATAAR** has toured North America, Africa, Europe and will be on big jazz festival stages around Western Canada this summer. It is an honour to host them in **Lions Bay on Saturday, June 22, 2024 (7:00pm - 10:00pm).**

[TICKET LINK HERE](#)

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