



THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE VILLAGE OF LIONS BAY

Weekly Village News

Week Ending: Friday, April 3, 2015

COMMUNITY HALL GRAND RE-OPENING EVENT

The Village was pleased to welcome many community members to the official grand re-opening of the Community Hall. Guest speakers included former Lions Bay mayor Brenda Broughton and MP John Weston who, earlier today, made the following statement in the House of Commons:



“Small towns and villages

bring out the best of Canadians: a sense of intimacy; the caring for one’s neighbor; and the pursuit of excellence, at individual and community level. Lions Bay, B.C., is one of those great Canadian municipalities: known for its resilient, talented people, people who dream big, for themselves and their children, and for their community- at- large.



Lions Bay was one of the first Canadian municipalities to proclaim National Health and Fitness Day; its people take care of safety for a long swath of Highway 99; its search and rescue volunteers and firefighters are legendary; and you’ll not hear louder cheers for community events than in Lions Bay, like the Olympic Torch Relay or the annual Gran Fondo Bike Race, from Vancouver to Whistler. This is a community that works together, laughs together, and when tragedies occur, like the death of lovely little Erin Moore just before Christmas, cries together.

Mr. Speaker, last Saturday, I had the honor to join many Lions Bay residents to celebrate the official opening of its updated Community Centre, supported by our Government’s Western



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Economic Diversification Fund. Knowing Lions Bay, this Centre will be more than a building – it will become almost a sacred place, where individuals and families gather; mentors take time to instil their experience and knowledge; and people exercise, in body, mind, and soul.”



Council and staff wish to express their gratitude to all those who helped to make this an enjoyable community event for all. Special thanks goes out to our youth who assisted in facilitating this event: Kris Kemp, Trinity Richardson, Chloe Shore, Kai Tuko and Max Waterson, as well as Tanya Gienger-Cosgrave for singing O Canada, 2014

Citizen of the Year, Heather Hood, for cutting the ribbon to unveil the official plaque and all of the library volunteers who worked to have the library space ready for use in time for this event. We hope the renovated space will promote positive community relationships with increased usage through community events, added programming and use of the library space. To view the photos of this event, visit www.lionsbay.ca and click the link on the home page under Latest Municipal Updates.



MAGNESIA INTAKE IS BACK ONLINE

Public Works crews have successfully brought the Magnesia Intake back online after it was clogged with debris last week. Since water is at the forefront of everyone's mind, we would like to share some tips for conserving water, as submitted by a resident:

- Do your dishes in the sink with a “washing up basin” — a plastic bowl that sits in the sink. Home Hardware has lots. Avoid doing the dishes with a running tap!
- Turn the tap off when brushing your teeth. Use a glass of water to rinse instead.
- Ensure the washing machine is full rather than endless little loads. A front-loading machine uses less water.
- If you like drinking cold water put a jug of water in the fridge rather than running the tap.
- Resist the temptation to use garden sprinklers. A lawn only needs an inch of water a week, so set the timers to water once a week. Use a watering can. It's a great arm workout!
- Use a compost bin rather than the in-sink garbage disposal, which uses lots of water.
- Adopt the “Meet the Fockers” mantra at home: “If it's yellow let it mellow, if it's brown flush it down.” Unless your toilets are specifically low-water use, the average flush uses about nine litres of water!
- If you shower, keep it to four minutes maximum.

The full article can be viewed here:

<http://www.whistlerquestion.com/opinion/columnists/non-toxic-living-12-ways-to-use-less-water-1.1801980>



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VILLAGE OFFICE AND SMITHRITE HOLIDAY HOURS

The Village office is closed on Good Friday, April 3, 2015 and Easter Monday, April 6, 2015. Smithrite will maintain its regular schedule and pick-up recycling and organics on Good Friday.

EGG HUNTS & BUNNY HOPS – AN EASTER GATHERING

Please join the Lions Bay Events Committee for our annual Easter celebration.



DATE: Sunday, April 5, 2014

TIME: 10am – 11:30am

LOCATION: The Lions Bay Beach Park



This year's event will again support the Canadian Cancer Society's Daffodil Campaign so bring along a donation for our 50/50 draw. Enjoy Easter egg hunts, face painting, bunny hops and family relay races. Tasty treats with thanks to our food sponsors: Cobbs, Safeway and Starbucks

Don't forget your Easter Basket, and come right at 10am for optimal egg hunting!

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ~~CANCELLED~~

The Finance Committee Meeting, rescheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2015, has been cancelled. This meeting will be re-scheduled again at a later date.

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. Visit www.lionsbay.ca/employment.html to view the details of this posting.

UPCOMING COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

- Council Strategy Committee (COTW) Meeting: Tuesday, April 7th at 3 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday April 7th at 7 p.m.
- Infrastructure Committee Meeting: Thursday, April 9th at 7 p.m.

Meetings are open to the public and held in the Council Chambers. Agenda packages can be accessed in the calendar section of our website at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting: www.lionsbay.ca



REMINDER TO DOG OWNERS

Just a friendly reminder to please remember to pick-up after your dog, and as per Bylaw No. 461, a reminder that dogs are prohibited at Lions Bay Beach Park and Brunswick Beach. Thank you for your cooperation.



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THE LIONS BAY 55+ CLUB

The Lions Bay 55+ Club is pleased to present a workshop on Bug Friendly Garden by Master Gardener's Association of BC on Wednesday, April 8th. Come get some tips on natural pest management and stay for a chat and refreshments!

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

April 8 – **Bug Friendly Gardens by Master Gardeners' Association of BC**

April 15 – **Chairobics – Gentle Stretch and Strength (MILD)**

April 22 – **Personal Safety and Fraud Prevention by Squamish RCMP**

April 29 – **Healthy Eating by Vancouver Coastal Health**



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

Calling out to all Lions Bay residents – we are currently putting together our May schedule and are looking for some fun activities! If you would like to share your expertise for an upcoming workshop, or have an idea or suggestion for future activities, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Helen Waterson at councillor.waterson@lionsbay.ca

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".

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