



BIA Connections

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MAY 2008

WELCOME NEW TSAWWASSEN BUSINESSES!

Karen White has opened K.G. Kids in the old Little Blessings location.

Welcome to Maria's Silver Corner who is now sharing space with Ms. Mint next to the Liquor Store.

Dr. Nirmal Randhawa has bought Dr. Wayne Peace's dental practice.

SOME CHANGES IN TOWN...

Welcome to Randy Kaiser, new White Spot manager.

Steve Totzke is the new interim manager at Thrifty Foods.

Tony Patsis, is the new manager of the newly renovated Chevron station.

Jen Schelpe is the new Telus store manager.

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHTS THIS SUMMER!

Busy Summer Months!

Summer in Tsawwassen
The BIA invites all members to participate in a special partnership opportunity with the Delta Optimist. Our 2nd annual "Summer in Tsawwassen" special section will feature Tsawwassen summer activities and businesses in a full colour publication with full distribution in Ladner and Tsawwassen inserted on the Optimist's Wednesday, June 18 edition. The BIA puts in \$1,500 in "seed" money to make advertising rates more accessible to all our members.

Call you Optimist rep today at 946-4451 or the BIA office at 943-0502 to book your space.

Capture the Flag
Back by popular demand, we will have our 3rd annual Capture the Flag promotion and this year we are adding a whole new layer.

The BIA, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Tsawwassen, will host a Flag Raising Ceremony on Saturday, June 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Rotary Square (in front of Blenz). A choir will sing the national anthem, we will raise a flag and we will have crafts, food and goodie bags for the children. The BIA will also be handing out "passports" for the Capture the Flag promotion.

The promotion will run from June 21 to July 2 and will be drawing \$1,500 worth of prizes to all those who collect a minimum of 15 stamps on their passports.

Details will be forthcoming later in May.

Outdoor Movie Nights this Summer

The organizing of three free outdoor movie nights in Tsawwassen is moving along really nicely, with many businesses already signed up as sponsors,

advertisers and having a presence the event nights.

Dates to mark on your calendar:

Saturday, July 19 at Diefenbaker Park, featuring the movie "Cars" (presenting sponsor Tsawwassen Collision).

Saturday, August 2 at Winskill Park. We will run a voting contest from May 30 to June 13 to ask our residents what movie they would like to see. If you would like to have ballots in your store, please call 943-0502 to sign up.

Saturday, August 30 at Tsawwassen Town Centre Mall, featuring the movie "Jumanji" (presenting sponsor Century Group).

To advertise your business in the giant screen or to participate in the events, please call Ana at 943-0502 or email biaoffice@shoptsaawwassen.com



The 2008 Tsawwassen Business Directory is here! The directory is divided in three sections: **Buyers Guide** – find businesses phone numbers by business category. Each business is listed under ONE category which reflects the main focus of their business.

Community Contacts – find important local numbers

2008 Membership Roster – find all businesses with contact information in alphabetical order.

Any changes or corrections, please call the office at 943-0502 or email biaoffice@shoptsaawwassen.com

Tsawwassen Happenings

Delta Relay for Life: May 24

Come out and join them at **South Delta Secondary School**, for the 3rd annual Canadian Cancer Society's **Ladner-Tsawwassen Relay For Life**



Relay For Life is an overnight non-competitive Relay where participants **celebrate** cancer survivors, **remember** loved ones lost, and **fight back** against all cancers while taking turns walking laps around a track for 12 unforgettable hours of overnight fun and fundraising. *Relay For Life* is the signature event of the Canadian Cancer Society, and the largest cancer event in Canada! For more information contact Josh at jleyenhorst@bc.cancer.ca, or 604.837.6837

Kidz Kamp: July

Over the years **Kingdom Harvest Ministries International** are hosting a week long Children's Camp in Cultus Lake, as part of their Children's Outreach Program. They are looking for businesses to donate prizes or food supplies or simply rise to the occasion to sponsor a child that might not otherwise be able to attend a children's camp this summer. We would gladly advertise you as one of our

sponsors to this amazing event by listing your business in our local newspaper advertisements and brochures or website. All donations are tax deductible and you will receive a tax-deductible receipt. Join us this year as we have the awesome privilege to impart values into many children and equip them with virtues necessary for their future success. Be a hero in the eyes of a child this summer—you can make a difference! For info contact 943-8100 or info@khmi.org

Beijing Brunch: August

The Delta Spirit of BC Committee is organizing a Beijing Brunch on Friday, August 8, 2008 at the Coast Tsawwassen Inn at 5:00 a.m. for a live feed of the Olympic Opening provided by DCTV and a Canadian Breakfast served from 6 to 9 a.m. Wear Red & White—pajama party—you can bring a blanket and pillow, mats provided. There will be prizes. Cost is \$20.10 (or \$201 for a table of 10). To get tickets contact Alison Antonio 948-0032 or Alison_antonio@dccnet.com

Rivermania: September

Celebrate BC's 150th Anniversary! Come out and join this unique event on September 26 to 28, which celebrates the 200th Anniversary of Simon Fraser's exploration of the Mighty Fraser.

Register your business at no charge! Visit deltarivermania.com to upload your info under Shop, Play, Eat, etc. This is a great free way to promote your business!



Thank you to all who attended our 18th Annual General Meeting on April 14!

We had a really good time at **Illuminate Restorante**. Great food, wine and company! The **SDSS Jazz Band**



provided good entertainment and **Gordon Hardwick**, from the BC Film Commission was our speaker.

We also said thank you to long time outgoing board members **Peter Sziklai** (Tsawwassen Collision) and **Elisabeth Wagner** (Wagner's European Fabricare). Incoming board members include **Linda Mallard** (Tsawwassen Wellness Centre), **Geoff McMartin** (BMO), **Eleanor Calderwood** (Edward Jones) and **Alisha Hagan** (Tsawwassen Golf and Country Club)

BIA Mission Statement:









To maintain and enhance the commercial area in Tsawwassen as a place to live, work, shop and visit by developing and initiating innovative programs and promoting unique assets of the community.

Have a story to tell? Expansions? New Managers? Open Houses and Events?

**We would love to hear from you!
Send us an email at biaoffice@shoptsawwassen.com
with your story ideas and pictures.**

The newsletter is also available on our website at www.shoptsawwassen.com

BIA Year in Review: A Year of Partnerships

Partnership	Photo	Participants	Funding/Donation
<p>Spring Fashion Show</p>		<p>11 Stores (including thrift, consignment and designer boutiques) 1 Spa (Make Up) 2 Benefiting charities 1 Matching Sponsor 6 Collaborating Businesses 30 Local models 14 Volunteers 75 Guests</p>	<p>Event raised \$1,830 which was matched by our local Scotiabank branch. Delta Hospice Society and Delta Youth Support Line Society were very pleased with the event and donation.</p>
<p>Summer Hanging Baskets</p>		<p>29 baskets prepared by Delta Community Living Society's Workplus Greenhouse, which provides vocational opportunities for people with developmental disabilities</p>	<p>Our contract was for a total of \$870</p>
<p>Summer Banners</p>		<p>We partnered with the following summer events: Tour De Delta Sun Festival South Delta Jazz Festival Banners designed by local company</p>	<p>BIA's share includes storing, cleaning, installing and repairing all banners for three years. Cost sharing of banners allowed the BIA to re-allocate over \$7,500 in the budget!!</p>
<p>Dedication Tiles Re-painting Project</p>		<p>11 Southpointe Academy students and parents 3 days of work repainting almost 100 dedication tiles in the town centre</p>	<p>BIA gave a \$700 donation to the school's Grad Class, which in turn is used in community projects and services.</p>
<p>Sun Festival Participation</p>		<p>1 Tent 1 Charity 5 Volunteers 3 Local Businesses Featured 30 Businesses donating prizes</p>	<p>BIA's organized a game, which included prizes from over 30 local businesses and raised \$535 which was donated to the local branch of the Canadian Mental Health Delta Unit</p>
<p>Winter Tree Lights Around Town</p>		<p>100 trees 200 strings of LED lights 17 Volunteers 1 Breakfast Sponsor</p>	<p>The only cost to BIA is the lights and a small thank you present to each volunteer.</p>
<p>Christmas Gift Wrapping</p>		<p>9 volunteers 90 hours worked 700+ gifts wrapped Free location by local shopping centre 1 Charity</p>	<p>Kinsmen Ladies were assigned \$10 per hour worked towards their Kinsmen Christmas dinner fundraiser. Total donation = \$1,000.</p> <p>Cash donations given by local shoppers were forwarded to the Delta Association for Child Development's Gift of Speech campaign Total donation = \$458</p>
<p>Tree Lights Removal</p>		<p>11 local youth from 4 different schools</p>	<p>Each student received a \$5 Tim Hortons gift card and a letter from the BIA confirming their participation in this project stating their 2.5 hours of community service.</p>



BIA Board of Directors

2007/08

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Sun Festival Updates

August 2nd, 3rd and 4th mark the dates for this year's annual Tsawwassen Sun Festival. This year marks the 36th year of the Festival and we will be celebrating BC's 150th anniversary all weekend long.

Pulling out all the stops this year we will be featuring:

- Rides and games for the kids all weekend long at Winskill Park
 - A firework demonstration on the Sunday night, August 3rd at the South Delta Recreation Centre
 - Our popular Antique Fair at the South Delta Recreation Sunday, August 3rd and Monday August 4th
 - Our parade, presented by the Rotary Club, on Monday August 4th
 - Pancake breakfast, presented by the Kiwanis Club, on Monday, August 4th
 - Slo-pitch tournament at Winskill
 - Happy 150th Anniversary BC! cake
 - Marketplace featuring artisans and crafters on Monday, August 4th
- Pie-eating contest, Bingo, Face Painting, BMX Bicycle Demonstrations, Pony Rides, a Petting Zoo and lots of great food and good music.

The party begins on Saturday, August 2nd at Winskill Park at 11am and will continue throughout the long weekend. Monday is the main fair day at Winskill Park with a full compliment of activities for the whole family to enjoy including our Pancake Breakfast and Parade.

We Need Your Help!

This event could not be held without the help of the Tsawwassen business community and its residents – and this year is no different! We need your help - please contact

PJ Wren, Festival Coordinator at pwren@telus.net for opportunities to Sponsor our event, donate or volunteer.

We also have spaces available to participate in our Marketplace, our parade, or as live talent on our Main Stage. Remember, the Sun Festival is Tsawwassen's only yearly local Festival and parade, so let's get together and make this year's one to remember!



Commuter Challenge—Jun 2 to 6



The Commuter Challenge is an annual, nation-wide campaign to raise awareness about transportation options through friendly competition among local organizations.

Businesses and individuals participating in the event will pledge to use a cleaner mode of transportation at least once for their commute to work during the first week of June. The individuals that excel in their commitment to sustainable commuting habits will be rewarded with great prizes. This will be our 13th year promoting transportation alternatives such as cycling, walking, taking transit, tele-working and car/vanpooling to the hundreds of thousands of individuals in

Metro Vancouver.

Over 100 businesses and 40,000 employees took part in 2007. This year, Better Environmentally Sound Transportation (BEST) wants your organization to help us have the highest Commuter Challenge participation in Canada. Residents of Metro Vancouver value our region's clean air and an active lifestyle— it's time to prove exactly that. We want to make this as fun and easy as possible, so BEST will provide your organization with the tools you need to make a change for the better.

For more information about registration or sponsorship opportunities contact Cameron at 604.669.2860 or cam@best.bc.ca