



BIA Connections

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WELCOME NEW TSAWWASSEN BUSINESSES!

Annu Sharma is the new owner of Blenz Coffee.

Terry Day has opened New Day Personal Training & Fitness.

Maria Cam has opened Maria's Silver Corner, sharing space with SAVI Boutique.

SOME CHANGES IN TOWN...

Alice Cheng is the new owner of Dee's Post Office

Philip Raphael is the new editor at the South Delta Leader

John & Ellen Gillespie are the new owners of Country Florists

Simone Arana is the new Subway manager

Lin and Rudie are the new owners of Chocolate Bear Shoppe

James Latheron is the new owner of South Side Flooring

Virpi Hamilton is the new Tsawwassen Arts Centre manager.

Christmas initiatives

New this year!

For the first time, the BIA will be offering the "Gift of Tsawwassen" gift card to our shoppers as a convenience to those people who do not know what to give for Christmas.

We will sell the Gift Certificates in \$10 denominations during our Gift Wrapping hours (see right side bar). **The certificates will be redeemed only at businesses that confirm their participation by November 20th.**

You do NOT need to do ANYTHING! We will take care of the advertising, printing and selling of the Gift Certificate. If you SIGN UP to be part of this initiative, you will only need to accept them at your place of business as cash. Once you have finished your transaction, you call the BIA at 943-0502 and we will give you a full refund for the certificate.

You are still encouraged to sell your own business' gift card to your customers. The Gift of Tsawwassen will simply offer the undecided shopper with more options.

Each certificate will have a list of all participating businesses on the back. If you have not signed up yet, please call Ana at 943-0502 or email biaoffice@shoptsaawwassen.com by November 20th to be included.

Free Christmas Gift Wrapping
for all Tsawwassen Shoppers
who shop in any of our
commercial businesses

For the last 12 years, the BIA has offered this free service to the community.

Are YOU taking advantage of it??
If you do not offer wrapping service to your customers at your place of business, send them to us and we will take care of it all.

We will provide you with a poster, tent card and flyers with the following dates:

Dates: December 9 to 24, 2007

Location: Town Centre Mall

Hours of Operation:

Sunday Dec 9—12 to 4 p.m.

Saturday Dec 15—12 to 5 p.m.

Sunday Dec 16—12 to 4 p.m.

Mon. Dec 17—2 to 6 p.m.

Tue. Dec 18—2 to 6 p.m.

Wed. Dec 19—2 to 6 p.m.

Thu. Dec 20—2 to 6 p.m.

Fri. Dec 21—2 to 6 p.m.

Saturday Dec 22—12 to 5 p.m.

Sunday Dec 23—12 to 4 p.m.

Mon, Dec 24—12 to 4 p.m.

Last call to drop off is 30 minutes before closing and 1 hour on Christmas Eve.

Tsawwassen Happenings

The **South Delta Leader** has made some changes. Chris Bryan has been reassigned to Burnaby/New Westminster and reporter Philip Raphael has taken on the editorial position. Philip has been in the business for 18 years and in Tsawwassen since 2001. Congratulations Philip!

Don and Leslie Abramson have retired after 36 years in the community. They sold their business **Country Florist and 12th Avenue Party Rentals** to John and Ellen Gillespie. Ellen's parents are here from Cyprus helping them with the start up of the business. Welcome to Tsawwassen! We wish Don and Leslie a happy retirement!

There is no excuse to be out of shape in this town as we have many wonderful and varied fitness facilities. Terry Day has recently opened **New Day Personal Training and Fitness** in the basement of the Tsawwassen Arts Centre. Terry and a team of trainers are offering personal training, spin classes and circuit classes. Terry's own specialty is golf specific training. Stop by to check them out!

You are invited to participate in this season's "Step Out in Style" fashion

show at the **Tsawwassen Arts Centre** featuring fashions by Weekenders. The event is on Saturday, November 17 from 2-4 p.m. and admission is by donation. There will be door prizes, entertainment, fashion tips and fun! You will be able to try on the clothes and place your orders. All proceeds will benefit the **Canadian Mental Health Association—Delta branch.**

There are a few stores holding special Christmas events. **Ambiente Gifts** had their 7th Annual Vernissage starting on November 2. **Flowers Beautiful** had their 6th Annual Open House on November 5. Drop by these stores to see their beautiful Christmas collections.

Blenz Coffee opened their doors to the public early in November. Their location is at the new Oliva building, by the Rotary Square. We welcome Annu Sharma to the community!

In this day and age when we are all concerned about the environment, we salute **Thrifty Foods'** initiative to recycle pumpkins! They held their first Pumpkin Smash on November 3 that will be taken to Lawrence Guichon's farm in Port Guichon to be



SAVI Boutique participated in a Fashion Show this fall at the Landing Pub in Ladner to help raise money for "Webster" the horse who needed eye surgery. The event raised about \$4,000. Congratulations to Sally and Michelle for helping out!

composted. Way to go Thrifty's!

Another Green initiative comes from **Tsawwassen Collision**, who are one of the first shops in BC to switch to waterborne paint technology.

The 11th Annual Stockings For Kids Program is now underway to benefit the children supported by **Deltassist**. The Stockings For Kids project makes an appeal to the community to sponsor a stocking with a designated gender / age, fill it with appropriate gifts, and return to **Tsawwassen Town Centre Mall** by early-December, for distribution by Deltassist.

Due to the unfortunate need, the number of sponsored stockings has been increased to 300. There are still stockings left so if you can help call Shannon Taylor, Promotions Manager of Tsawwassen Town Centre Mall at 604-943-1735 for further information.

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**



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Operation Red Nose is coming to T-town



Since 2002, Delta Gymnastics has been hosting the Operation Red Nose program in partnership with ICBC, RCMP, Delta Police and BC Crime Prevention Association.

If you are not familiar with this program, Operation Red Nose is an educational campaign and a service for you and your employees, co-workers, friends and family that provides a safe alternative to drinking and driving.

The service is confidential and is available to any person operating a motor vehicle who does not wish to drive their car for any reason. A person does not have to be drinking to use the service.

There is no charge for the service but

donations are gratefully accepted. All proceeds benefit amateur youth sports in our community.

The service is available from 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. on the following dates:

November 30, December 1, 2, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 and 31st.

Sponsorship opportunities are available to support this program. Also small gifts, coupons and merchandise are needed to give to volunteers. If you would like to support the Operation Red Nose campaign, by volunteering (criminal record check needed), donating or to use the service for your Christmas or other parties,

please call Carlene at 604-943-0460 or visit www.deltagymnastics.com

**Share the warmth
this holiday
season...**

**13th Annual
Realtors Care
Blanket Drive
Nov. 26—Dec. 3
www.realtorscare.org**

**Items the REALTORS® Care
Blanket Drive is looking for:**

- clean, washable blankets and sleeping bags
- tarps
- waterproof, winter jackets and coats
- clean, winter clothing (sweaters, warm pants, jeans)
- boots and shoes
- socks
- hats, mittens, gloves and scarves

Drop Off Locations in Tsawwassen and Ladner

MacGregor Realty & Management	222-1077 56th Street	604-943-5999
Park Georgia Realty	1247A 56th Street	604-943-7717
RE/MAX Progroup Realty	1559 56th Street	604-943-8080
Regency Realty Ltd	5135 Ladner Trunk Road	604-946-1688
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