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The mandate of the Kerrisdale Business Association is to foster goodwill in the community, promote the business area, contribute towards a safe, well-planned, attractive and friendly environment and to increase the public awareness of Kerrisdale.

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KBA Forward Planner

Christmas in Kerrisdale	Month of December 2006
Gliding on Ice – Free Community Skate	December 11 at Kerrisdale Arena 4-6pm
Carnival Days	Last weekend in April 2007
Kerrisdale "Show & Shine" Car Show	Date To Be Announced
Kerrisdale Days	Last weekend in August 2007
Music Under the Clock	Saturdays 12-4pm June, July, August
Annual General Meeting	September 2007

Mark these dates on your calendar and remember to support these popular events through easy-to-participate sponsorship programs from balloons to live entertainment!

November - December 2006

Please distribute this newsletter
to your Owner/Manager

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Village Voice

CELEBRATE THE Season OF SEASONS IN KERRISDALE

As the holiday season approaches we reflect on the very good year we have passed together in our Business Improvement Area. It may be difficult to remember under a rainy November sky, but sunny, dry weather made for a pristine summer where the KBA's *Music Under the Clock* Saturday concert series offered a full schedule without one cancellation. This was followed by our annual late August blow-out, *Kerrisdale Days*, which found the main stage *Kerrisdale Idol* contest even more popular than its premier year in 2005.

Now the season of seasons nears and your business association has a great line-up of free events for Kerrisdale patrons, neighbours and visitors alike. Read on and look forward to the holiday highlights!



Christmas In Kerrisdale

Holiday "Window Dressing" to Win!!!

This year the Kerrisdale Business Association will reward the best-dressed holiday windows in Kerrisdale Village with fabulous prizes! Take the time to make your window display bright with lights and colourful with decorations and you could be the First Prize Winner of a weekend for two at the Chateau Whistler. Come in second place and win a gift basket full of some of the best products and services from Village merchants.

A small committee of judges, headed by Kerrisdale's beautification maven Brent Beattie (Hobbs), will judge all district windows during the first week of December. When we pick a winner, a media release will be issued announcing some of the best window shopping opportunities in the Village of Kerrisdale- great for holiday business. *So, if you've been meaning to make a Christmas splash, this is the year to do it!*

Free Horse & Carriage Rides (West 41st Avenue and Yew Street)
Saturdays: December 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd - 11am to 4pm
A Kerrisdale classic where the young and young-at-heart can join a group as the friendly charges of AAA Horse & Carriage prance riders through the streets of the shopping district while seasonal tunes fill the air. Starting an hour earlier this year (11 am) due to popular demand.

Santa & Elves (Throughout the District)
Saturdays: December 2nd, 9th, 16th, & 23rd - 11am to 4pm
Sundays: December 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th - 12 noon to 4pm
Our Santa is something special with a friendly smile and jolly old laugh. He and his elves will be roving throughout the district every Saturday & Sunday before Christmas dispensing individually wrapped imported German chocolates while taking notes from junior shoppers for their personal wish lists. He may even be persuaded to make a balloon animal or two if you're not naughty, but nice!

Zing! Children's Choir
Saturday December 9th around 1pm
Stop and listen to a gaggle of children from the popular choir Zing!

Quartets On The Move (Throughout the District)
Saturdays & Sundays: Starting December 2nd, through December 24th - 12 noon to 4pm
The Barbershop variety and Sweet Adelines will vie for your attention as they walk the Kerrisdale sidewalks and stroll into large enough shops to croon in tune some of the season's best-known hits. Join in and have some fun!

15th Field Artillery Quintet
Saturdays: December 2nd & 16th starting at 12 noon Under the Clock
You know the marching band from our Carnival Days' Parade, now meet the scaled down quintet who with their music stands in tow will set Kerrisdale aglow with tunes set to a Courier & Ives scene!

Gliding on Ice – Free at Kerrisdale Arena!
Monday December 11th from 4 - 6pm
A smash success last year, come strap on the skates and enjoy live music as you glide your way around our own neighbourhood "pond" at Kerrisdale Arena. Generous KBA sponsors will provide the hot chocolate and cookies. Free rentals while they last and Santa will be on hand to get the event sliding!

Lights, Decorations, Action!

On lamp standards, around the welcome signs, in pots and at every shop window, nobody decorates like the Kerrisdale Business District. Emptied of their spectacular summer flower display, the 25 terra cotta pots will boast a new look this year when tall clumping birch trees are planted showing off their reflective white trunks. This is sure to wow the neighbourhood and give the feel of a white Christmas even if the snow evades us! Back too this year, are the holiday swags hanging from the lamp standards which will be swathed in tiny red and white lights. Add to this our lovely silver and red banners and Kerrisdale is bound to be the loveliest neighbourhood of all.

Nurse Next Door - Best in the West!

Nurse Next Door is proud to announce that co-founders Ken Sim and John DeHart (seen here) have been awarded the 2006 Ernst and Young Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year Award for their tireless efforts in building their home healthcare company into one of BC's most recognizable homecare service providers.



Known as the "Academy Awards" of Canadian business, the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Awards recognize the best and brightest business leaders in Canada. Past winners have included former Chancellor of Simon Fraser University and current Chairman of Nurse Next Door, Milton Wong, Chairman and CEO of London Drugs and current SFU Chancellor, Brandt Louie, and Chairman of MDS Metro Laboratory Services, Don Rix.

Congratulations from your KBA colleagues!

Shred Credit Card Receipts

Merchants are being alerted to shred discarded credit card receipts and other personal information that finds its way to the recycling bins. There have been reports that dumpster divers have been able to retrieve such items from recycling bins and this is definitely not a good thing. Remember too to lock all dumpsters as this is an important bylaw promoting cleaner and safer back lanes.

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KBA members are urged to check your listing on the Kerrisdale Village web site. Call our phone line and tell us about any glitches or omissions and our web master will correct within a few days. If you have your own web site, we'd like to link to yours from ours so be sure and check it out. Call in changes to 604-266-9875.



Report Suspicious Behaviour

Provident Security is contracted by the KBA to provide nightly, with some additional daytime, security coverage within the district. Please phone them if you have any questions or concerns about panhandlers, additional security for your business or any suspicious activity in the KBA area. 604-664-1087.

Provident Security will increase Kerrisdale Village and parkade daytime patrols starting the last weekend in November and continue through the holidays.

♥ Have a Heart

Almost 70% of Canadians are affected by heart disease in some way. All it takes is a few hours going door to door in your neighbourhood to have an effect that is far reaching. This February gather some friends and join the thousands of volunteers collecting donations for research to prevent and treat heart disease and stroke.

For more information on *Heart Month* activities or to volunteer please contact: 604-736-4088 or visit www.heartandstroke.ca/heartmonth