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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. *Editor: Terri Clark* 

# **KBA Forward Planner**

| Christmas in Kerrisdale               | Month of December 2017                         |
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| Gliding on Ice – Free Community Skate | December 17 at the Kerrisdale Arena @ 5:30-7pm |
| Chinese New Year                      | Year of the Dog – February 2018                |
| Spring Break Free Skate               | TBA @ 5:30-7pm                                 |
| Carnival Days                         | April 27 & 28, 2018                            |
| Little League Parade                  | April 28, 2018 @ 10am                          |
| Kerrisdale Days – Movie at Elm Park   | September 7, 2018 @ 7pm                        |
| Music Under the Clock                 | Saturdays 12-4pm in July, August               |
| Annual General Meeting                | September 6, 2018                              |

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

# Winter 2017 Issue

Please distribute this newsletter to your Owner/Manager



# The Celebration of Light

A swinter approaches and the days draw in by late afternoon, we look to the light. Many religious celebrations focus on this one fact: the star shining brightly in the eastern sky; the miracle of the oil. In Kerrisdale our diverse communities and businesses join forces in delivering a month long celebration during December featuring dazzling lights on lampposts, Courier & Ives horse & carriage rides, brass bands, strolling quartets and everyone's favourite secular personality - Santa Claus!

Please join in with enthusiasm and generosity of spirit as we thank our year-long patrons, young and young-at-heart, with a Kerrisdale Festive Season. year on the evening of December 6. Three top cash prizes will be awarded by the KBA Board as gentle encouragement. Help us make Kerrisdale the most welcoming shopping district this holiday season!

# Kerrisdale Business Association

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IN THIS ISSUE: Seasonal Lighting and Events, Snow Removal, Christmas in Kerrisdale Roster of Events, Annual Window Decoration Contest, Single Use Item Reduction Strategy and more!

Annual Window Decoration Contest

Now is the time to decorate storefronts and create magical vignettes to wow passersby. It only takes a

> little bit of elbow grease accompanied by natural branches of greenery and red twigs while announcing the season. Better yet add lights and let the shimmering results begin. As an incentive, the KBA will sweeten the pot during our Annual Window Decoration Contest (Pierre's Classic Antiques & Fine Décor was victorious last year) set to be judged this



In Kerrisdale

# **Roster of Events**

# Free Horse & Carriage Rides

### **TIME: 11 AM – 4 PM** DATES: Dec. 2, 9, 16 & 23

Bundle up the children and grandparents as we transport them back in time to a Courier & Ives Christmas card. The gentle giants embodied in AAA Horse & Carriage's shire horses, bedecked in bells and red velvet ribbons, village, nipping in here and there to escape remind us of festive seasons of a century ago. Ancient carols and new will rock riders while er. The singers along with a gaggle of Tubas we take a slow trot past the beautiful Holiday and roving Brass Bands will rekindle the holiwindows throughout the village. Rides start at day spirit in every Kerrisdale shopper! west 41st & Yew Street north.

# Santa Claus

TIME: 12 NOON - 4 PM DATES: Dec. 2, 9, 16 & 23

Our very own Santa has made special arrangements to visit Kerrisdale every Saturday right up 'til December 23rd when he must ready himself for his magical global journey. Santa will be giving his black boots a workout on the streets of the village where he will visit shops many times over giving out free, individually wrapped European chocolates to delight the sweet tooth in us all.

## Christmes Quartels Tubas & Brass Bands

**TIME: 12 NOON – 4 PM** DATES: Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 & 23

Christmas quartets - some people ask why our roving singers and brass players just don't stay put under a tent. Well, the answer is that our Christmas entertainers hit every area of the Mother Nature's sometimes withering weath-

# Free Village Skating

TIME: 5:30 - 7 PM DATE: Dec. 17 at the Kerrisdale Arena

Free skating and skate rentals, Christmas music and free refreshments while they last! All sponsored by our local shops and services. Even if you don't skate, drop by, and sit in the stands while children and adults glide around the arena. You will be transported!

# Snow Removal in the **Kerrisdale Business District**



We won't soon forget last winter's snow and ice storms which means getting prepared now is a must. To be clear, business owners should know that they are responsible for clearing the sidewalk in front of their building of snow and ice by 10 am as this is a City of Vancouver By-law. More importantly, by keeping on top of the shoveling and de-icing, you keep your business accessible for loyal neighbourhood patrons who rely on nearby services. To be prepared, stock up now on bags of salt and a snow shovel! Kerrisdale Lumber is a great place for all your winter supplies! For more information on snow removal rules and regulations go to www.vancouver.ca

# Seasonal Lighting Extended

There is a plan to extend holiday lighting in Kerrisdale Village this year. All going well with permits, we will see 'candy cane'lighting on lamp standards from Larch to Maple streets!

# Security

Provident Security is contracted by the KBA to provide nightly security coverage within the district along with a couple of weekly day patrols. They will ramp-up daytime security during December weekends and then weekdays the week before December 25th during the height of the holiday shopping season. 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.

# **Fire Demolition Update**

As we all remember, seven Kerrisdale businesses along with an apartment were destroyed by an early evening fire last June 22. For the past nearly 6 months the charred remains of that devastation have greeted all visitors to Kerrisdale Village. Your KBA Board led, by President Glenn Knowles, have continually advocated for the removal of said debris through COV contacts. At last we believe a clean-up is imminent. Stay tuned.

## **Updating of Business Information**



Visit our KBA web site at kerrisdalevillage.com to ensure your business information is included and, more importantly, correct. Also if you are on Twitter please follow Kerrisdale Business Association so we can 're-tweet' your special sales and newsy bits to our large group of followers.

## Single Use Item Reduction Strategy



The COV is consulting businesses and the public alike in an attempt to create strategies in reducing landfill litter. I'm certain we all feel a tad guilty when we order a coffee in a disposable cup or require plastic bags while shopping. Share your views and find out more information regarding the City's green goal at www.vancouver.ca/green-vancouver/ single-use-items.aspx