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Lonsdale Quay Market

Since opening in 1986, Lonsdale Quay Market (LQM) has been a lively community gathering place for NS residents to enjoy arts and entertainment on the waterfront. Extensive improvements have been made in recent years, transforming it to a warm and inviting West Coast Market, showcasing the North Shore lifestyle. Popular annual events include Summerfest and the first Winterfest held during the 2010 Olympics. The new "East Side Mario's" Restaurant on the 2nd floor is a great addition. LQM has partnered with the City's "Studio in the City" program, which facilitates collaborative work of youth artists with artist mentors, to design and create public artwork installations including the Fountain Mosaic, Starfish Bench, and Rotunda Floor Mosaic. This summer two more exciting projects will be added including a 100 foot-long mural and a sculpture garden. The mural is a panoramic view of the North Shore from Horseshoe Bay to Deep Cove. It was designed by young artists from North

Vancouver and will be painted by artist Dennis Creighton. The sculpture garden entitled "Viewfinder" was installed early May. It is a story about Lower Lonsdale and how it is interpreted by the different people that experience it. Artist and sculptor James Koester mentored a group of young aspiring North Vancouver artists through the process. For more information on upcoming events at LQM visit www.lonsdalequay.com



Welcome to the Waterfront Project!

We hope you enjoy the Spring 2010 edition of Waterfront News, a quarterly newsletter for the City of North Vancouver's Waterfront Project. In 2010 we will be featuring waterfront industry and businesses in addition to providing updates on City Waterfront Projects.

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Pier Development Project Update

Pinnacle International is working on the final aspects of the public spaces in the Pier development. The City is hopeful that the public areas (roadways, Shipbuilder's Square and walkways) will be opened to the public by late summer.

The latest piece of public art on the Pier Development site is the "Big Drawer" located on the corner of Victory Ship Way and Lonsdale Avenue. It was created by Bill Pechet of PECHET AND ROBB art and architecture ltd and replicates the time cards of the former shipyards employees.





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Spirit Trail

The North Shore Spirit Trail, conceived as a waterfront-oriented, multi-use trail providing pedestrians, cyclists, inline skaters and people with wheeled mobility aids access across the North Shore, is envisioned to connect Horseshoe Bay to Deep Cove. The Waterfront Escarpment / Moodyville Park section (Section 11 + 12) of the Spirit Trail is currently under construction and is anticipated to be complete in Fall 2010. This section of the Spirit Trail will stretch from the foot of St. Patrick's, along the waterfront escarpment, to St. David's Avenue, north to East 2nd Street and connect into Moodyville Park. The Harbourside West Overpass, a key link in the Spirit Trail connecting West 1st Street at MacKay Avenue to Kings Mill Walk is anticipated to start construction in Fall 2010. For more information, as well information on upcoming phases of the Spirit Trail, please visit: www.cnv.org/SpiritTrail/

A Propeller for the Stern

The stern of *HMS Flamborough Head* was saved by the City in 2001 to remember past achievements of the Burrard Shipyard, but it had no propeller. In 2007 the City became aware that *HMS Rame Head*, the last of the Burrard-built WW II "Victory Ships" still afloat, was to be scrapped from the Naval Dockyard in Portsmouth, England, and it still had its 18ft diameter propeller. The City contacted both Public Works Canada and the British Ministry of Defense about acquiring the propeller. A firm in Ghent, Belgium, who won the contract to "break" the ship agreed to sell the propeller to the City for scrap value and Grieg Star Shipping agreed to donate the transportation of the propeller to Vancouver. The propeller was barged to Vlissingen, Holland, and has been loaded onto the *Star Istind*. It will arrive at Lynnterm in mid June 2010 and will be transferred to Vancouver Dry Dock to await full future restoration of the stern. The City is grateful to all involved in pursuit of this propeller, particularly to Mike Collins, Grieg Star's agent in Brussels, for ensuring its transfer "home from Europe" is proceeding so smoothly.

By Robin Inglis, Former Director, NV Museum & Archives



Foot of Lonsdale Planning Study

The City has short-listed 4 consulting teams to submit detailed proposals for the Foot of Lonsdale Planning Study. It is expected that a team will be chosen by the end of May. The study is expected to be completed by the end of October. The City is partnering with the Washington Marine Group in this study which will also look at the future of the Cates Tug operation and related water lots. The Washington Marine Group contributed \$25,000 to the study. Opportunities for public input into this study will be promoted once the consultant team is selected and a work program is approved. The City will also be proceeding with an environmental assessment and development of a remediation plan for the Foot of Lonsdale land and water lots this spring.

Activities on the Burrard Dry Dock Pier

The Burrard Dry Dock Pier will be full of activity this summer. The "*Spirit of Endeavour*", a pocket cruise ship, will be returning to the Pier for five separate visits. The Royal New Zealand Navy is planning for the moorage of two Navy vessels; a Tanker & a Frigate, for six days in June & will be offering public tours. Stay tuned!

The Lower Lonsdale Business Association's annual "Party At The Pier" event will be held on July 17th and 18th this year. For more information about Party at the Pier please visit www.cnv.org

As well, in April the new TV series "Shattered" filmed an episode using the St. Roch Dock and Foot of Lonsdale parking lot. Watch for this new TV series coming this Fall.

