

Union Bay Community Club News Letter
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MAY 2020

ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, May 10th, 2020

8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

CANCELLED



Union Bay Community Centre

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Many events are cancelled until further notice, along with monthly meetings:

- Union Bay church is suspending services.
- Community Club's monthly meeting is cancelled.
- All current events are suspended as the hall is closed.
- Historical Society is cancelling their May meeting and their Fashion Show is on hold.
- The Ladies Crib Club at Seaview Village is finished for the season. See you in September.



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- Fourteen days of isolations is like Vegas in my house. We are losing money by the minute; cocktails are acceptable at any hour and nobody knows what time it is.
- For those who wanted a world without vaccines – here is a world without ONE vaccine.
- Feeling guilty about your kids watching too much TV. Mute it, turn on the subtitles and BOOM they are now reading.
- Have you ever come into contact with glitter? Like you hugged or shaken hands with someone who was wearing it or using it? Then for the next two weeks it hangs around forever and ends up on surfaces you can't recall touching, and places you can't imagine it ever getting to, and still seems to be there even after showering and washing. **THINK OF COVID-19 AS GLITTER!**
- In case you have lost track of the days, today is April 87th.
- You wanted a reality show host as president, well now you're on Survivor.

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Local interest articles or ads for the Down by The Bay are welcomed. Ideas for new articles are always appreciated. Is there a Union Bay citizen you would like highlighted? A story to be told? Submissions can be emailed to ub.dbtb@gmail.com or dropped off to Dave Davidson (250-335-2317). Cut off is the 15th of each month.

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Financial support measures

At the time of writing, we're waiving business account fees for businesses that have closed due to the pandemic. Plus, we're offering mortgage payment deferrals of up to six months. Our lenders are working on refinance options and emergency overdrafts for those who need it. We're also helping to facilitate access to government lending and relief programs.

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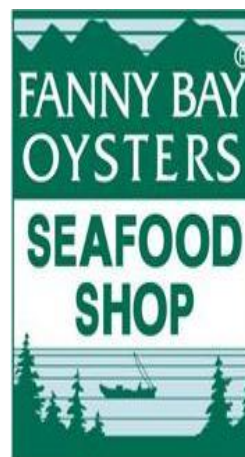
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THE SECOND WORLD WAR (Cont. from March 2020 DBTB)

The second world war was brought close to home when army convoys travelled from Victoria through the Bay to the army camp based at Courtenay. Maneuvers were carried throughout the district.



One group would drive down with trucks and bren-gun carriers to defend Union Bay. Another group, the invaders, would arrive by water in landing barges under cover of a smoke screen. Ack-ack guns fired, sirens on the corvettes went woo-woo-whoop, and Lysander planes flew low dropping flour bombs. Dressed in green and brown fatigues, sprouting foliage in their helmets, the soldiers hid in ditches, behind trees, and under buildings.

Little boys with wooden guns joined in the fight, sniping at the soldiers as they advanced to their usual objective, the E&N train tracks. Little girls often brought the "fighting men" drinks of water or freshly baked cookies from home. For the citizens of the Port it was at once exciting and frightening.

In the late 1930's Japan was at war with China, and bought a great deal of scrap iron for its munition factories. Ships from all over the world, some completely cloaked in battleship grey, transported it to Japan. Many of these ships called at Union Bay for coal before heading across the Pacific. In the fall of 1940 anchored at the Bay was a sizeable portion of the Greek merchant navy, as well as a Yugoslavian ship. They had come for bunker coal and were loaded down with scrap for Japan. Mussolini had just invaded Greece, and the government was in such disarray that the captains did not get their sailing orders for months. They were afraid to cross the Pacific in such conditions. The eight or so ships were old and in disrepair. One old tub leaned against the wharf with the ballast tanks gone. The men were half starved but a kindly Australian captain took pity on them and gave them food. The boatloads of idle single men were a natural target for pimps and prostitutes who came up from Nanaimo.

After a month the sailors were well known and entertained by the community. The officers decided to repay the hospitality. Mrs. Horne gave them the use of an empty house next door to the bank for the party. The house was lavishly decorated by the sailors in red and white with both the Greek and Canadian flags being prominent. Supper was provided to the 80 guests on a lavish scale: chicken, turkey, suckling pig, and caviar. Drinks of ouzo were pressed into every hand. The sailors entertained with songs and dances until the party came to an end at four in the morning, with each lady going home with a red rose.

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