



Weekly Window Vol.2

Executive:

President:

Neil Hamilton,

Ph.604.925.4711
Cell 604.306.7437

realneil@royallepage.ca

V.P.:
Len Macht,

Ph: 604.988.5231

LMacht@shaw.ca

Sec. Editor
Norm Accipiter

Ph: 604.298.5240
Cell: 778.866.6676

naccipiter@hotmail.com



<http://www.nsbsg.org/>

Mission Statement:

"To promote small business in general and specifically to aid, enhance and motivate each other in our respective business enterprises. Our desire is to expand the knowledge and personal network base of each and every one of our members and to make them better at what they do."

NSBSG Attends Caribbean Days Pancake Breakfast

Breaking away from our routine, the NSBSG meeting was placed on temporary hiatus this week so that members could join the North Vancouver Chamber and the organizing committee of the Caribbean Days Festival for the official kick-off pancake breakfast, hosted by the Hurricane Grill.

Joined by dignitaries as Don Bell, MP, members of North Vancouver city council, Wayne McIntyre, President of the North Van Chamber, and Manchan Sonachansingh, Caribbean Days organizer, the breakfast went well under way with casual networking among attendees.

It is worth mentioning that our members made up almost two thirds of the audience. Neil Hamilton, President of the NSBSG, made a key point in his address of how involved our members are in supporting this event, and that we will be involved with the Harvest Project on- site during the festival.

Manchan Sonachansingh, Organizer, made a direct appeal to the business people in the audience that their participation is not only welcome, but also necessary for future support of this growing event. This is a North Vancouver event, and although the committee has a "home office" in Richmond "We hope to find a place that makes it easier for us to plan our event from North Vancouver", closes Manchan.

Taking place on the weekend of July 29 and 30, Caribbean Days starts with a parade in the lower Lonsdale area, culminating at the Lonsdale Quay Waterfront Park, where it will reside over the two days. Music, food, and family fun is guaranteed, bringing together a mix of island nations representing a sample of multiculturalism and diversity that weaves throughout our nation's fabric.

Verticals:

Accounting/Finance

Banking

Brokerage (Mortgage, securities)

Building Inspection

Business Services

Cleaning Services

Communications, Marketing (Advertising, Design, Sales)

Computer H/ware

Construction

Counseling

Database Mktg

Home Renovation

Insurance (Life, Asset)

Medical (Holistic, Therapeutic)

Non-profit

Office Mgmt.

Real Estate (Investment, Sales/buying)

Retail

Software

Special Event Mktg.

Travel

Next Meetings:

Wednesday July 26, 2006: Bobbi Van Reit, Tall Poppy Records, a North Shore record company owned by Lee Lindsay

Wednesday August 2, 2006 Neil Hamilton, Olympia Trust Private Health Services Plan
This is a private health plan, specifically designed to help protect independent entrepreneurs and professionals.

Wednesday August 9, 2006 Bryn Hamilton, Investor's Group an updated version of his previous financial strategies presentation, which a number of people missed.

We are open for focused chat presentations by members beyond August 9; anyone wishing to present, please contact Neil Hamilton.

Announcements:

Gracious Host: Bikini Fashion Show/Singles Boat Cruise

Alice Zhou of Gracious Host, and Posh Entertainment Inc. are hosting a boat cruise on three consecutive Saturday afternoons, August 5th, 19th, and 26th on board the M.V. Hornblower.

This singles event will feature a bikini fashion show, music and dancing, and mingling. Games, door prizes, food and beverages are all part of the fun in the sun theme. Appropriate beach attire suggested.

See the details below in the networking section, or contact the editor, Norman Accipiter for more information.

NSBSG Pot Luck Boat Cruise Menu

Our boat cruise on August 5 is coming up fast. All those who have committed to attend, please contact the editor or Pat Miller, Fairweather Cruises, with your contribution preference: appetizer, entrée, or dessert. Those not informing us in due course will be assigned a category, so please let us know what you plan to bring as soon as possible.

Networking Events:

Burnaby Board of Trade

Tuesday August 8, 2006 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m

Networking Breakfast

Executive Hotel Burnaby, 4201 Lougheed Highway.

Early-bird tickets are \$16 for members and \$21 for non-members. After July 4th, tickets will be \$18 for members and \$24 for non-members. All prices are exclusive of GST.

Dunbar Business Circle Networking Group

Monday, July 24, 2006

Guest Speaker: Avrom Digance

"What's Really Behind A Website?"

Owner of VirgoDesign.ca, a local web design company in its third year of business, Avrom's experience with a variety of clients, organizations and design professionals gives him valuable insight into proven web design strategies and how people really understand the web.

TIME: 6pm for supper & networking

COST: \$17, supper included

LOCATION: Cafe Organica

3500 W. 41st Ave. Vancouver

Corner of Collingwood, Near Dunbar Street

Entrepreneurial Success Group

Tuesday July 25/06 – Hawaiian theme

ESN Networking Social Evening: Last Tuesday each month.

Empire Landmark Hotel, 1400 Robson St. 530pm – 730pm

Dress in your best Hawaiian themed attire and enjoy a fun evening of “casual business” speed networking. Reservations are required due to limited space.

Contact Deb Brown at 604.303.6580

info@esnorg.org

<http://www.esnorg.org>

Gracious Host Events & Posh Entertainment Inc.

Saturday August 5th, 19th & 26th

“Summer Fun In The Sun Bikini Cruise” Summer Beach Wear Cruise

Location: Hornblower Yacht Charters (foot of Denman, Coal Harbour)

When: Boarding begins at NOON. Boat leaves with or without you at 1pm SHARP!

Time: Cruise is from 1pm till 4pm.

Itinerary: 01:00 – 01:45pm Mingling, Appetizers served

01:45 – 02:30pm Singles/Ice Breaker games

02:30 – 03:00pm Fashion Show & Door Prize Draw

03:00 – 04:00pm Mingling, Dancing, Door prize

Tickets: \$65.00 for Ladies, \$85 for Gents

Includes: Hors d’oeuvres, Desserts, Bikini Fashion Show, Games, Dancing, Door Prizes, goodie bag ... A perfect afternoon of mingling!

Payment can be made via Pay Pal direct to Gracious Host’s website.

www.hornblower.ca

www.gracioushost.ca

Networking Extravaganza Evening

Workshops for Women

Tuesday July 25th, 2006; 6:30 to 9:30pm

Location: Center for Peace - 1825 West 16 Avenue, Vancouver

(2nd building west of Burrard on 16th, across the lane from the church)

Cost: \$8 for the first 50 registrations, \$10

Contact: Jennie R. Yendall

Phone: (778) 888 - 1400

<http://www.workshopsforwomen.ca/workshops-for-women-networking-extravaganza-evening>

Getting out of the RAT RACE! Do you know the rules?

On the Beach Education Corporation

Thursday July 27th, 2006; start 7:00pm

Location: Terminal City Club, 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver

Cost: by donation to help the Indonesian earthquake victims

Contact: july@onthebeacheducation.com

Toll free: 1 – 866 – 340 – 2992

<http://www.julyono.homestead.com/SeminarSched.html>

Spirit Summer Social – on the Patio! - Young Entrepreneurs Association

Thursday July 20th, 2006; 6:30 to 8:30

Location: Azure Restaurant & Lounge
(101A-770 Pacific Blvd, Vancouver BC)

Cost: complimentary *with the purchase of food/drink
from the Azure restaurant and Lounge

https://www.sporg.com/registration?form_id=52709

<http://www.yea.ca>

Harvest Project “Summer Splash” Charity Gala

Thursday August 24, 2006. Holiday Inn – North Shore

\$100/ticket

Entertainment, Live Auction, Door Prizes including Spa package and “Secret” Celebrity
Lunch

Contact Bob Rogers at the Harvest Project, 604.983.9488

Sponsored by Harvest project, Sunshine Cabs, Vancity

North Vancouver Chamber

New Members Reception

Location: Lions Gate Studios, 555 Brooksbank Avenue

Thursday, July 20, 2006

New Members Reception

5:00pm - 7:00pm

https://www.nvchamber.ca/ecal_eventregistration.php?EventID=19

Richmond Chamber

Thursday August 24, 2006

Networking Breakfast

Take 90 Minutes and bring 50 business cards and "Get Connected" at a networking
breakfast.

Tickets: Members \$13.00 Incl. GST Non-Members \$18.00 Incl. GST

Registration 7:00 am

Breakfast & Networking 7:30 am

Location: Quilchena Golf & Country Club, 3551 Granville Avenue

Co-Sponsored by the Richmond Chamber of Commerce & Quilchena Golf & Country
Club

Vancouver Business Network Forum

- VBNF Burnaby Chapter - 2nd Tuesday of the month.
- VBNF Vancouver Chapter - 4th Wednesday of month

http://vbnf.com/next_meeting.html

Land Banking - Guest Speaker Kerry Lum Land Banking Consultant

Wednesday July 26, 2006; 6:15 - 8:30p.m.

Walton International,
Suite 810, 250 Howe Street,
Vancouver, BC V6C 3R8

Tel: 604-630-3230

ENJOY Fresh Oven Baked Pizza Brought to you by Domino Pizza. Advanced booking required. Limited space available. Please RSVP at www.vbnf.com/contactus.html or call Alex Au-Yeung at 604.422.8878.

\$10 – members, \$15 - associate members, \$20 - non-members
Without RSVP, Add \$5 at the door.

Resource Guide:

Online Business Webinars:

http://main.placeware.com/demos/web_seminar_archive.cfm

Virtual Handshake – Online Business Book:

<http://thevirtualhandshake.com/free-book-download.htm>

<http://vancouver.craigslist.org/>

<http://www.soho.ca/>

Vancouver Enterprise Forum – Vancouver’s High Tech networking forum

<http://www.vef.org/web/EventDetails.asp?ProductID=82>

Chamber events:

http://www.hpmarketing.com/cgi-bin/events_calendar.cgi

Maps and Directions:

<http://www.mapquest.com/>

Networking Database:

LinkedIn Resources: SONI Canada

<http://www.atomiccreative.com/sonicanada.html>

<https://www.linkedin.com/home>

Job Boards:

<http://charityvillage.com/>,

<http://working.canada.com/vancouver/index.html>

<http://jb-ge.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/>, <http://regionalhelpwanted.com/home/167.htm?sn=167>

FutureWorks - Wage Subsidy Program (& Job Board)

<http://fwt.bc.ca/>

Social / Event Management:

<http://gracioushost.ca/> www.perfectday.ca, www.tgifbc.com,

<http://fairweathercruises.com/>

Urban Legends Reference Page:

<http://www.snopes.com/>

Yellow Pages Business Finder:

<http://www.yellowpages.ca/searchBusiness.do>