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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."

North Shore Gardening Project Distributes Produce to Community



The real estate boom of the last few years has had a detrimental effect in Canada's wealthiest neighborhood, the North Shore. In spite of record values, there is a segment of the population who are feeling the squeeze from the cost of living in this tony neighborhood.

Due to rising costs, illness, divorce, aging, and unemployment among other reasons, families, and single parents are finding it difficult to make ends meet.

The Harvest Project has helped many of these people caught in this squeeze, by lending them a hand to restart their lives towards a more self-sufficient lifestyle. The Harvest Project has done so not only through donations from generous neighbours and supporters, but also by forming partnerships with like-minded organizations.

One such partnership is with the Edible Garden Project and Tricia Edgar, who spoke to the North Shore Business Success Group this past Wednesday.

The Edible Garden Project, EGP for short, is a grass roots campaign (pun intended) where community members can grow produce in their yards and window boxes, or hand out seeds to willing participants, where produce that is grown may be donated for distribution to qualified candidate families.

This program accomplishes its goals on many fronts.

First, it promotes and provides healthy eating to the most vulnerable of the population, children and seniors; second, it promotes the growth of healthy, affordable local produce from the North Shore; and thirdly, the preservation of green space in an ever-crowded urban landscape.

It is a shocking fact that nearly 44% of children on the North Shore are in need of a nutritious diet that is not being attended to due to economic constraints; EGP is helping to alleviate this through its community awareness and involvement program.

For more information on how to get involved, or to find drop-off locations, contact Tricia Edgar at edible@vc.bc.ca, visit www.ediblegardenproject.com, or call 604.987.8138, extension 209.

Executive Secretary Honoured



President Neil Hamilton presents gift on behalf of Len Macht, Vice-President to Secretary Norman Accipiter

Neil Hamilton, President, and Len Macht, Vice-President of the North Shore Business Success Group, presented Secretary and Editor Norman Accipiter with a gift of a “Harris Hawk” painting by Eric Rossico in appreciation of two years service on the Executive, and for his work on the Weekly Window, the group’s newsletter.

Norman joined the group in April of 2005, and the Executive in the Fall

of the same year, and began writing the newsletter shortly thereafter.

“With the help of Jaime Ward-Schuck’s logo and initial web page design, and Neil’s vision, I was hoping to create a newsletter that would brand us as the North Shore’s leading small business networking information centre. Little did I know it would garner the praise and recognition that it has”.

Guests:

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Focused Chat Calendar:

August 1 (**Tentative**) - Rob Arthurs
2010 Commerce Centre

August 8 – **OPEN**

August 15 - Victoria Powlowski
Capers

August 22 - Randy Hnatko
Trainwest Management and
Consulting

Sept. 5-19 –**OPEN**

Sept. 26- Charles Holmes, SFU
School of Business – Building
Strategic Partnerships

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Calendar of Events:

Burnaby Board of Trade August Networking Breakfast

Tuesday, August 14th
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Executive Hotel Burnaby
4201 Lougheed Highway.

Tickets are \$18 for members and \$24
for non-members.

[www.burnabyboardoftrade.com/cgi-
bin/rsvp.cgi?id=295&action=new](http://www.burnabyboardoftrade.com/cgi-bin/rsvp.cgi?id=295&action=new)

ESN Evening

Thursday August 2, 2007
530pm to 730pm

“Hawaiian Theme”; wear your Aloha
attire; lei provided

Coast Plaza Hotel,
1763 Comox St. at Denman
Windows on the Bay

info@esnorg.org

Surrey Chamber of Commerce: Various

[http://www.surreychamber.org/event
s1.html](http://www.surreychamber.org/event/s1.html) - 2007-04-24221

Resource Guide:

For a listing of members' web sites,
please visit our website at
www.nsbgs.com

Chamber events:

[http://www.hpmarketing.com/cgi-
bin/events_calendar.cgi](http://www.hpmarketing.com/cgi-bin/events_calendar.cgi)

Maps and Directions:

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

Networking Database:

LinkedIn Resources: SONI
Canada

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

Job Boards:

Vancouver Job Shop:

[http://regionalphelpwanted.com/home
/167.htm?sn=167](http://regionalphelpwanted.com/home/167.htm?sn=167)

Working Canada:

[http://working.canada.com/vancouve
r/index.html](http://working.canada.com/vancouver/index.html)

Government of Canada:

<http://jb-ge.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/>,

FutureWorks - Wage Subsidy
Program (& Job Board)

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

Recycling:

<http://www.nsrp.bc.ca/>

[http://www.onedayvancouver.ca/abo
ut.php](http://www.onedayvancouver.ca/about.php)

[http://www.gvrd.com/recycling/inde
x.html](http://www.gvrd.com/recycling/index.html)

Social / Event Management:

<http://fairweathercruises.com/>

<http://gracioushost.ca/>

www.tgifbc.com,

Urban Legends Reference Page:

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

Yellow Pages Business Finder:

[http://www.yellowpages.ca/searchBu
siness.do](http://www.yellowpages.ca/searchBusiness.do)

Miscellaneous:

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