

# Mt. Lehman Community Association

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## Light Up The Countryside!

We have been brainstorming about how we can still work to foster community connectivity during these times of Covid. We applied for a small neighbourhood grant (funded through the City of Abbotsford Responsive Neighbourhood Grant) and just good news! We have received a small amount of seed Up the Countryside". In the next weeks we will string community hall, to act as a beacon, that despite our still exist as a cohesive community and can enjoy experiences while staying apart. We will also backdrops at the hall with nostalgic features (all set up outdoors in a Covid manner). We hope these scenes will encourage households to get creative and bring props and take photos which can be uploaded onto Social Media, #MLCA.

Other members of the community have jumped aboard. The Library will also light up their premises, and the church is working to light up and decorate their front doors. This week we will be contacting other community members and businesses to join us in "Light Up the Countryside". We encourage residents too, to string some lights that can be enjoyed by neighbours and passersby.

As our revenue stream has been interrupted, we are limited in the funds that we can dedicate to lighting the hall. We would like to appeal to the community to partner with us. The lights will cost \$2.50 per foot. Perhaps your family could sponsor 10 feet of lights, for just \$25.00. The more lights we can string the merrier the impact. We have already had two private donations to the project, in lieu of not being able to have a Christmas Party this year. *Please drop off any donation at the Mt. Lehman Credit Union, or if you wish to e-transfer your donation please contact [canadagoose.sara@outlook.com](mailto:canadagoose.sara@outlook.com) (778-241-8954) for instructions.*

We would be happy to recognize your support on our social media pages.

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# Message from the Mt. Lehman Community Association

*A year like no other.....* A familiar phrase in 2020.

The year began as always with the usual winter activities, Playtime, hosting monthly community group meetings, family events, and on March 8, the annual Spaghetti Dinner. Little did anyone know that the next day the Hall would close for the spring and summer, open briefly in the fall and is again, currently closed to indoor social events.

While the COVID 19 pandemic has changed many things this year, much remains the same....namely, Mt Lehman's community spirit! During this 'year like no other' we have continued to come together as a community....on a crazy rainy day we held the annual July 1st 'drive-by' parade, in September, on another rainy day, an outdoor craft market, Playtime has been transformed to a Covid safe format (*for information contact Melissa [melissavriend@hotmail.com](mailto:melissavriend@hotmail.com)*), and yet to come an....outdoor Christmas light display at the Hall (*funded in part by a City of Abbotsford Responsive-Neighbourhood Grant*).

The Mt. Lehman Community Association Board continues to meet remotely working to look after the Hall and plan for the future. We have responsibilities to grants that we received prior to the lockdown. What better time for planned improvements and renovations than when the hall must be closed. Soon you shall see a new front door, with new acoustic paneling and lighting already installed.

The economy has opened up and once again movies are being filmed in our scenic neighborhood! The Hall provides parking for their equipment and much-needed operating revenue is generated for Hall upkeep.

Due to Covid 19 the 2020 AGM was deferred. We will announce a date in the New Year, when perhaps we will be able to meet in person.

Meanwhile we are seeking new Board members and encourage you to think about joining us.

Warm wishes,

Candie Thorne, President



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**The hall will be lit from December 1st until January 6th.** Be sure to drive by and take some family photos! Also be sure to show appreciation for all the local groups, homes and businesses that join in our project to...

*Light Up The Countryside!*