

## Sunday service on Thursday, November 11

SkyTrain, SeaBus and BusLink services will operate on Sunday schedules

**From King George Station**, the first and last trains will leave at 7:08 am and 11:38 pm

**From Waterfront Station**, the first and last trains will leave at 7:50 am and 12:15 pm.

**From Lonsdale Quay**, the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:02 am and 11:02 pm.

**From Vancouver**, the first and last SeaBuses will leave at 8:16 am and 11:16 pm.

## Watch out for the kids on Halloween

They may be dressed as ghosts, monsters, clowns, witches and all manner of strange beings, but beneath the costumes they're just a bunch of excited kids who may not pay as much attention as they should when crossing roads in the dark. So please be careful for them when driving.

Revelers are welcome on TransLink vehicles providing no treats are requested and no tricks are performed. Those with GoCards are reminded to carry them.



## Transit is Public Education by Arthur Orsini, Vancouver

There are many things we cannot teach our children. They need to be around and learn from strangers. It's like a "It takes a village to raise a child" kind-of-thing. And so I am glad we rely on the bus. It's very educational.

Transit is relatively cheap and my kids love it because they get to meet and talk with a variety of people. Okay, well not the very rich but pretty much everyone else. I can't think of any other public space where they have such liberty with strangers and I have no anxiety about it. They talk to anyone; seniors, radicals, sleepy heads, lovers, business people and teenagers.

We've met university students who went through great pains to explain their course of study in simple English. Men have made funny faces to get them laughing out loud. The kids have touched pink hair - something they've never had the opportunity to do at home.

They've barked and meowed in chorus with a bus driver for 15 blocks on the 99 Express. And then to great delight, the bus home greeted us with a meow and a few seconds of confusion until my daughter

screamed, "It's the same driver!" My son claimed to have learned to read at 3: whenever the bell rang he'd point to the front of the bus, slide his finger from left to right and proudly 'read' NEXT STOP! My daughter, despite our bidding, prefers to stand and is the first to get up and offer her seat to anyone older than herself. They know that the #15 becomes a #17 when it gets downtown. They know that the #100 goes to the airport and they beg us to take a trip so we can board that bus.

I have learned too. I used to hush their questions to strangers until it became clear how un-offensive it was and how much they got out of it. But I hadn't even noticed what transit was doing to my children until an elderly lady, getting out at our stop, grabbed hold of my elbow. She told me how charmed and impressed she was with my then 3-year-old daughter's conversation skills. Without thinking, I replied, "It's 'cause we don't have a car. We take the bus a lot." It takes a bus load to raise a child.

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## COMING EVENTS

The Arts Club Theatre Co presents *Wang Dang Doodle*, a roof raisin' Harlem musical at the Surrey Arts Centre, 'til Nov 6. Tx \$17-\$24. 501-5566 ✓ Surrey Art Gallery presents *Digital Identity*, 'til Jan 31. Digital technology has become a creative tool for many of today's artists. Artworks include interactive sculptures, installations, CD Rom, net.art and digital video. ✓ The Vancouver Society of Storytelling presents *Winter Tales*, Nov 5, 6, 7, featuring Urban Mirths, a Y2Kabaret, Nov 5 at the Anza Club. Music and Storytelling at Briannia Theatre, Commercial Drive on Nov 6. Workshops and Forums at the Vancouver Public Library. Info: 876-2272 ✓ Vagabond Players presents *The Hollow* by Agatha Christie, Wed-Sat, Nov 3-27, 8 pm at the Bernie Legge Theatre in Queen's Park. Rsv: 521-0412 ✓ Chor Leoni Men's Choir annual *Remembrance Day commemorative concert*. West Vancouver United at noon, Christ Church Cathedral at 8 pm. The choir will perform *Field Mass* by Bohuslav and *In Flander's Field* by Vancouver composer David MacIntyre. Tx at TM. 280-3311 ✓ Deep Cove Cultural Society presents the comedy *The Man who Came to Dinner*, Wed-Sat, Nov 11-27 at 8 pm. Tx: \$12/\$11. Rsv by Visa: 929-9456 ✓ Ballet British Columbia opens the season with works by three great living choreographers; Nov 4-6 at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The evening includes the Canadian premiere of Lynne Taylor-Corbett's *Chiaroscuro*, a remounting of James Kudelka's popular *15 Heterosexual Duets* and *The vile Parody of Address* by William Forsythe. Tx at TM ✓ Theatre at UBC presents Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart*. Mon-Sat, Nov 4-13, 7:30 pm at the Frederic Wood Theatre. (Preview Nov 3). Tx at the box office or by calling 822-2678 ✓ Nana Mouskouri appears with the Vancouver Symphony, Nov 14 & 15 in the Orpheum. Tx at TM ✓ *The WWW of the Internet: Whose? Why? Where is it going?* Doug Schuler, a former chair of Computer Professionals for Social Responsibility and a founding member of the Seattle Community Network will give a public talk and lead a discussion in the Alice McKay Room, Vancouver Central Library, Nov 2, 7:30 pm ✓ *Musica Antiqua Koln* at the Chan Centre, a presentation of Early Music Vancouver, Nov 8, 8:30 pm. Tx at TM

**Oct 30** - Rummage Sale, Immaculate Conception Parish, 3776 West 28th, 11-1

**Nov 4** - Thrift Shop Sale, South Burnaby United, Rumble & Gray, 10-2. Clothing, housewares, books  
**Nov 5/6** - Craft Fair/Book Sale at West Vancouver Secondary School, 15th & Mathers. Fri 5-9, Sat 10-4. Adm/Draw \$2

**Nov 6** - Bazaar, L.A. FOE 2075 at Eagles Hall, West 7th at Ontario. 11 am to 3 pm. Lunch \$3.50

**Nov 6** - Bazaar/Tea, Victoria Dr Community Hall, 2026 East 43rd. Baking, clothes, books, etc. 11-3 (Citizen's Pet Population Control

Society). Free adm

**Nov 6 /7** - B.C. Floral Art's Soc annual Xmas Show, Oakridge Mall Auditorium, 10 am - 4 pm. Adm \$3  
**Nov 6** - Fall Fair & Tea, St. Matthias & St. Luke, 680 West 49th. Plants, books, baking, attic treasures, preserves. 1-4 pm

**Nov 6** - Craft/Bake Sale/lunch, St. Andrew's, 10th & St. George's Ave, North Van. 10-2.

**Nov 7** - Annual Fair for Peru, at St. Augustine's School, 2145 West 8th, 10-2. Baking, games, books, jewellery, treasures. Tea room.

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# BUZZER

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## South of the Fraser Area Transit Plan

Share your views with us at one of these public events:

### Willowbrook Shopping Centre

19705 Fraser Hwy, Langley  
Friday, October 29, 9:30 am to 9 pm.

### Scottsdale Mall

7031-120th Street, Delta  
Thursday, November 4, noon to 9 pm

### Tsawwassen Town Centre Mall

1255-56 Street, Tsawwassen  
Friday, November 5, noon to 9 pm.

You can also send us your ideas by:

**Phone:** Leave a message at 453-4641 **Fax** 604 453-4628

**Mail:** TransLink Projects Planning,  
1700-4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 4N2

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## Watch for the 101 new LOW FLOOR ACCESSIBLE BUSES with the highly visible BALLIOS DESTINATION SIGNS

### New wheelchair accessible and bike rack services to commence November 15

As noted in a previous issue of The Buzzer, some new buses and bike racks didn't arrive in time to provide the new wheelchair and bike rack services listed in the fall timetables. **Well, they're here now and ready to go into service on November 15.**



The following routes will introduce wheelchair accessible service as listed in the September 6 timetables:

- 44 Downtown/UBC • 143 Coquitlam Stn/SFU
- 158/159 Port Coquitlam Centre/New Westminster Stn • 169 Coquitlam Stn/New Westminster Stn
- 312/319 Scott Road Stn/Scottsdale.

The following routes will introduce bike rack service as listed in the September 6 timetables:

- 100 New Westminster Stn/22nd St Stn/Marpole/Airport • 135 SFU/Stanley Park • 145 Lougheed Mall/SFU • 147 Coquitlam Stn/New Westminster Stn
- 158/159 Port Coquitlam Centre/New Westminster Stn • 160 Port Coquitlam Stn/Coquitlam Stn/Vancouver • 701 Maple Ridge East/South Haney/Haney Place/Coquitlam Stn.



In addition, the 99 B-Line, 351 Crescent Beach/Vancouver and 601 South Delta/Vancouver routes, which now provide bike rack service with the exception of a few individual trips, will provide bike rack service on all trips specified in the September 6 timetables.

### New Westminster buses detoured as work commences on Tunnel extension



The first phase of the New Westminster Tunnel for the SkyTrain extension from Columbia Station to Lougheed Mall began on October 13. As a result, the off-ramp from the Pattullo Bridge to northbound Columbia Street is now closed and the northbound McBride to eastbound Royal left-turn is banned for all vehicles, including buses.

The off-ramp is being temporarily re-aligned to serve as a through route for Columbia Street traffic, including bus routes #102, 147, 148, 156, 158, 159 and 169 which will remain on the re-aligned Columbia Street. The construction also requires temporary changes to local transit services, including detours for the following routes:

- #106 New Westminster Station/Metrotown Station
- #108 Eighth Avenue
- #145 Scott Road Station/Lougheed Mall/SFU

The first of these detours, for the #108 Eighth Avenue route, was introduced on October 13. From New Westminster Station the bus is routed via Carnarvon, Elliott, Agnes, 1st Street to Royal and the regular route. We realize this detour may not be convenient for some

customers, particularly seniors, who make up a sizable portion of the ridership. However, the Carnarvon routing is required to accommodate vehicle limitations and to make a consistent detour routing possible for the duration of the construction project, probably until September 2000.

Temporary bus stops have been introduced on the new portion of the #108 route and all-weather boards posted at existing Columbia Street bus stops to advise customers of the change. Neither the routing at New Westminster Station nor the schedule is affected.

The #106 and #145 routes will be detoured when construction closes Elliott Street and other roadways in the vicinity. Other bus stops will also be temporarily discontinued or relocated.

To customers affected by these detours we apologize for any inconvenience you may experience. As the project progresses, watch for further information in The Buzzer and in Rider Alerts. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Len Dyer at 540-3449 or Customer Information at 521-0400.

### SkyTrain escalator maintenance at Granville Station

On October 19 one of the three long escalators at Granville Station was taken out of service for up to four weeks. A major overhaul is required after nearly 14 years of operation.

At peak times there may be some delay and congestion on the two remaining units (one in each direction), so please be patient and mindful of your fellow commuters. We would also appreciate your cooperation in observing any directions from our staff.

*In any given meeting when all is said and done, 90 per cent is said and 10 per cent is done.*

*The trouble with good advice is that it interferes with our plans*

#### FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET THERE BY TRANSIT

TIMETABLES are available free of charge at public libraries, city and municipal halls, community centres, and the TransLink Lost Property Office at Stadium Station. TRANSIT ROUTE MAP AND GUIDES offer a map, a listing of all routes, and fare information. They're available at Safeways, 7-Elevens, SkyTrain station convenience shops and most FareDealers for a small charge. THE YELLOW PAGES show a route map, a list of bus routes and fare information. INFORMATION BY TELEPHONE: 521-0400. West Vancouver 985-7777, or call Talking Yellow Pages: 299-9000, #2233. ON THE WEB: [www.translink.bc.ca](http://www.translink.bc.ca)

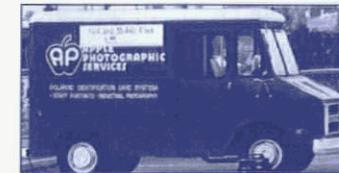


### Win Canucks tickets

Unscramble the names of the following teams and tell us when they will next be playing in Vancouver: **Onmdenot, Atotaw, Ladsal, Hsawnotgni, Gyaralc.** The first entry drawn with the correct answers on Nov 10 will win a pair of tickets for the November 15 Colorado game. The second correct entry drawn will win a pair of tickets to the November 17 Detroit game.

Please send your answer (one per person please) along with your name, address and phone number to: Canucks Contest, TransLink Marketing, #1700-4720 Kingsway, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 4N2. Fax 453-4633, e-mail: [si\\_locke@translink.bc.ca](mailto:si_locke@translink.bc.ca)

### From November 1, high school students must show 1999/2000 GoCards



#### GoCard mobile unit photo sessions

Sat, Oct 30	Willowbrook Mall (West lot)	9:00 am-noon
	Edmonds Stn Bus Exch	1:00-4:00 pm
Tues, Nov 2	Ladner Bus Exch	3:00-6:00 pm
Thurs, Nov 4	Scott Road Bus Exch	3:00-6:00 pm
Sat, Nov 6	Main Street SkyTrain Stn	9:00 am-noon
	Lougheed Mall Bus Exch	1:00-4:00 pm
Tues, Nov 9	Scottsdale Mall (Scott Rd lot)	3:00-6:00 pm
Thurs, Nov 11	Brentwood Mall Bus Exch	3:00-6:00 pm
Sat, Nov 13	Richmond Centre Mall (#3 Rd)	9:00 am-noon
	Ladner Bus Exch	1:00-4:00 pm
Tues, Nov 16	Lonsdale Quay Bus Exch	3:00-6:00 pm

Students going to The Artona Group, Mountain West Studios or Apple Photographic Services must have a GoCard application form (available at school offices) signed by a school official, proof of age (birth certificate, passport or CareCard) and an \$8 fee. A GoCard will be issued immediately.