



Douglas Miller, a new member of the Lions Bay Historical Society, is developing an idea for a historical project. Douglas suggested video-recording interviews with Lions Bay residents. He will need a bright, light place to hold the interviews. If you have a room that would be suitable, please contact Douglas at 604-921-8671.

The Lions Bay Historical Society has the Howe Sound Booklet, and Lions Bay flag stickers for sale to help fund their activities. You can find them in the Village Office, and the General Store. Debbie Wilson is the new council liaison for the Historical Society. The Lions Bay Historical Society mission is to record and preserve documents, and photographs of historical significance to Lions Bay. We meet at the Library at 7:30 pm in the Village Library on the last Monday of each month. If you are interested in joining the volunteers, please contact Myron Loutet at 604-921-8698

Looking Back

HARVEY CREEK SIGN

On Highway Bridge

In 1986, Ray Karmazenuk was out for a walk with his dog when he noticed a construction worker removing the old Harvey Creek Sign on the Highway Bridge. Ray stopped and asked: "What are you going to do with that sign?"

"As you can see, I'm getting rid of it!" The large container was ready for a few more pounds of steel, wood and iron at the end of a long day. When Ray asked if he could have the sign, the construction worker looked puzzled and said: "Sure, it's yours!"

Surprised at the weight of the sign, Ray started to walk slowly up the hill. He carried his treasure to the safety of the garage. Ray and Margrit Karmazenuk moved to Lions Bay in 1974. They lived at 45 Creekview Place.

The sign's new home and permanent location was in the garden overlooking a small pond. It stayed there by the pond for the next 15 years. At that time, Ray contacted Susan and Myron Loutet (LBHS chairperson) and asked if the Lions Bay Historical Society would be interested in having it. The sign was promptly delivered to the Loutets. After hearing about the sign I contacted Mr. and Mrs. Karmazenuk, and arranged to meet at their house. When I arrived I could see that their moving

day was not far off. All I needed from them was a few words to write the story. The day after our meeting, on July 17, 2001 the 'caring custodians' said farewell to Lions Bay and moved to Caulfeild in West Vancouver.

The sign is in need of some TLC. Bill Skibinski has kindly offered to help in the restoration process. I have visions that the Lions Bay Historical Society will mount the sign on a cement base at the 'Harvey Creek Meadows' Being close to the creek seems an appropriate place for it. Its new location would overlook the present 'Harvey Creek Bridge'. Once again it will be in the open, feel the cool mountain breeze, hear the familiar sound, the rushing creek. The sign belongs back in the community where people can see and touch a piece of Lions Bay's history.

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