

Index	News	3
	Editorial	10
	Letters	11
	Column Rankings	26
	Baby Steps	27
	Sports	30
	Classified	32

Wild vs farmed
 In anticipation of the Cohen Commission coming to town, the *News* poses the conflicting views of Alexandra Morton and Vivian Krause on salmon farms and their impact on wild fish **3**



Ready to roll
 Richmond's Ian Chan will co-captain Team Canada at the upcoming World Wheelchair Rugby Championships at the Olympic oval. **30**

TONY LING
 REALTOR
 FREE HOME EVALUATION
 • Free list of Available & Sold homes
 • Full details w/photos
 CALL NOW! **604-649-0108**
www.tonyling.com

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2010

Richmond News

YOUR SOURCE FOR LOCAL SPORTS, NEWS, WEATHER AND ENTERTAINMENT! WWW.RICHMOND-NEWS.COM



Chung Chow/Richmond News

The US Marine Band had it's first Canadian performance at the Aberdeen Centre. The band played every thing from Latin numbers to marches Wednesday afternoon.



CITY

Transit stations getting trashy

Councillors fret Brighthouse turning into litterbug central

By ALAN CAMPBELL
acampbell@richmond-news.com

He wants more garbage cans, while she wants a sign announcing how much it's costing Richmond taxpayers to clean up everyone else's trash.

What councillors Greg Halsey-Brandt and Linda Barnes agree on, however, is that more needs to be done to stop Richmond's Brighthouse Canada Line station morphing into a Surrey Central.

Concern is growing about the growing cost of keeping the city's Canada Line station plazas clean.

TransLink is responsible for keeping the trains and stations clean and clear of garbage, while the city is obligated to maintain the Brighthouse, Lansdowne and Aberdeen plazas up to the station entrance. (River Rock casino claims Bridgeport)

Before this summer, city staff got permission to throw \$40,000 from last year's surplus at dealing with the Brighthouse station plaza in particular, where discarded gum, cigarette butts, coffee cups and newspapers combine to create an eyesore.

But it's not going to be nearly enough, according to some councillors, to stop the likes of Brighthouse sliding down a slippery slope towards the kind of safety issues faced by other cities' Skytrain stations.

Barnes, for example, suggests the city erect a sign at Brighthouse, announcing how much of their tax dollars get included up cleaning up after other people.

"I don't think the people realize how much of their money is being spent on this," she said. "Do they really want their tax dollars going to pick up gum and cigarette butts all day long?"

"This would not be us boasting how much we spend, it's about shutting people into being responsible with their garbage."

Halsey-Brandt said the more people **see Litterbugs page 4**

DEVELOPMENT

How tall is too tall for temple?

Lingyen Mountain Buddhist temple proposes a 15-storey expansion

By NELAOS BUNNETT
nbunnett@richmond-news.com

A proposed expansion of the Lingyen Mountain Buddhist Temple on No. 5 Road, withdrawn five years ago due to a public backlash, is being re-announced.

But Carol Day, an area resident and one of the project's principal critics, says the

revised proposal — which originally included a 45-foot high Buddha — isn't that much different from the previous one.

"The whole project is just too over the top," said Day, who recently had meeting with Brooks and Associates, an urban planning consulting firm representing the temple.

An expansion was proposed five years ago but a rezoning

was withdrawn before it could go to a public hearing in September of 2005.

The revised expansion proposal will be the subject of an open house on Sept. 15, from 4 to 7 p.m. at 10060 No. 5 Road.

The original proposal envisioned a main temple of 160 feet high. Since the current height restriction caps temples, churches and other religious

institutions on No. 5 Road at 40 feet, the proposal would need a significant height variation.

The revised proposal reduces the main temple down to 140 feet.

Architect James Cheng says the main temple will be set back closer to highway 99 so as not to be so obtrusive. But Day feels 140 feet is still too high.

see Temple page 8

Return-It RICHMOND BOTTLE DEPOT = \$ **8171 Westminster Hwy.**
 (at Burnaby, one block east of No. 3 Rd.)
 Mon-Sat 8:45-6:30 Sun 10-5 (604) 780-4959
 BNSI Public Market