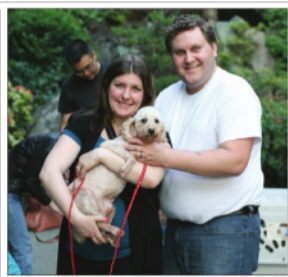


Thief steals from elementary school fundraiser

Hundreds of dollars from Steveston T-shirt sales were taken in break-in

By Marla van den Hoed
VCF Reporter

An early Sunday morning break-in at Steveston Elementary School's fundraiser for the school's playground renovation, a fundraiser for the school's playground renovation, the impact could have been much worse.



Dog rescue group finds new homes for animals saved from abuse in Taiwan

By Matthew Roberts
VCF Reporter

Two rescue groups in Steveston have found new homes for 10 dogs rescued from abuse in Taiwan. The dogs, which were rescued from a puppy mill, are now being cared for by local families.



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food

On Guu and loud voices



365 Days of Dining

Lindsay Anderson

If you're considering going to Guu, here are some helpful points to consider:

- You must be OK with loud music and louder voices. Actually, you must be OK with straight-up shouting.
- You should be relatively adventurous when it comes to food.
- You're OK with Asian fusion.
- You like happy, smiling servers.
- You're cool with food coming out as it's made, rather than all at once.
- You're familiar with late '90s pop music and ready to be swept back to your



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Wasabi mashed potatoes in smoked salmon, kakuni (stewed pork belly), rice-stuffed squid, marinated maguro steak.

high school years when Mariah's "Heartbreaker" comes on. Basically, if you're planning to take your elderly grandmother here for a relaxing meal,

you should probably reconsider. Dining at Guu is an experience, and here's part of the reason why: rather than writing down and transferring orders by hand or computer to the kitchen, servers shout orders from wherever they are, and they're echoed back by the chefs. It makes for a loud and entertaining game of verbal volleyball.



Public input sought on arts strategy

The first of three open houses designed to help planners overhaul the city's arts strategy is set for Thursday.

The city is updating its 2004 arts strategy, a document designed to assist the growth of the arts in Richmond.

A draft version of the updated strategy has already been complete, and highlights of it will be shared at the open houses. Comments will also be collected.

The updated strategy "addresses current opportunities and challenges and equips Richmond to be an arts destination with a thriving arts community and a rich offering of festivals and events," according to a Monday news release from the city.

Open houses are Thursday, July 12 from 3 to 9 p.m.; Friday, July 13 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, July 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All will be held at Richmond Cul-

tural Centre, 7700 Minoru Gate.

Obon Festival

Steveston Buddhist Temple is hosting an Obon Festival this weekend.

Obon, or simply Bon, is a service to express gratitude to forefathers and ancestors. On Obon Day, tradition calls for temples to observe a memorial service in conjunction with the Bon Odori – the dance of great joy to honour and thank ancestors.

The "Bon Odori" is a festival celebrated by the community. It consists of music and dancing, food for all ages and games for children.

Join in this festive occasion by dancing to the Japanese music and the temple Jodo Shin Taiko, tasting Chow Mein, trying the Hawaiian specialty – Spam Sushi – and other food items.

Obon Odori is on Saturday at 4 p.m. and the Obon service is Sunday at 10:30 a.m. The temple is at 4360 Garry St.