

Celebrate Langley's First Annual Children's Wish Breakfast

Bring a New Unwrapped Toy and Enjoy a Breakfast on Us!

Press Release

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Langley City, British Columbia – In the spirit of the annual day of giving, Newlands Golf & Country Club will be opening its doors on November 28th to host Langley's first annual Children's Wish Breakfast in support of the Langley Christmas Bureau. Everyone who turns up between 6:30 am and 9:30 am with a new, unwrapped toy will be treated to a complimentary breakfast prepared by the Newlands culinary staff. Local singers and musicians will serenade the crowd on two stages, singing festive tunes while Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus spread holiday spirit to all the attendees enjoying their hot breakfast.

"The Langley Christmas Bureau would like to thank Newlands Golf & Country Club for hosting this amazing event and the City of Langley for their continued support. Together, the Langley Christmas Bureau will be able to assist more Langley families and children this year," said Donalda Whaites, Langley Christmas Bureau Toy Depot Coordinator. "The Langley Christmas Bureau is a non-profit organization that is 100 percent staffed by volunteers from our community. Our volunteers take on many roles including: assisting families with registration and donation pickup, unpacking and sorting toys, coordinating sponsors, driving to pick up toys, issuing certificates, as well as representing the Langley Christmas Bureau at the Tree of Hope in Willowbrook Mall. Every year, our volunteers donate their time to the Langley Christmas Bureau. On behalf of the Bureau, we would like to thank each and every one of them because we would not be able to do what we do without them."

"The Children's Wish Breakfast is the first of its kind in the Langleys. I am so proud that the City of Langley is a part of a great event that supports Langley families. On behalf of my Council colleagues, I would like to give a special thanks to the Langley Times, Langley Advance, Langley RCMP and the Langley City Fire Rescue Service for donating their time, and lastly, thank you to Newlands for hosting this amazing event" said Langley City Mayor, Ted Schaffer.

Langley City Fire Rescue Service and Langley RCMP will be on hand to receive the toys on behalf of the Christmas Bureau and guide traffic during the event.

For those who are unsure what to bring, the Langley Christmas Bureau has provided a list of donations needed, including:

Donations for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers:

- Outdoor toys (tricycle, kick scooter, balance bike)
- Lego (mega & Duplo)
- Play-doh
- Musical toys (xylophone, drums)
- Educational toys (shape sorting cube)
- (Hungry Hippos, Angry Birds)
- Crayon, paints, and easels
- Leapster Explorer Camera
- Toys, cars and train sets
- Craft Kits

Donations for elementary, tweens, and teens:

- Building toys (Lego)
- Outdoor toys (skateboard, bikes)
- Hair dryers, straighteners, curling irons
- Bike helmets & locks
- Doodle Art/ Art sets
- Watches
- Headphones
- Guitars
- Sports equipment
- Logo hoodies
- Gift card (Mall \$20 - \$30)
- Electronics

Cash donation and gift cards are always welcome.

The event is an opportunity for residents of the Fraser Valley to assist hundreds of Langley families who would not otherwise be able to celebrate Christmas. After the event, donations will be transported to Santa's workshop where Christmas Bureau elves will sort the toys according to age and gender.

The Langley Children's Wish Breakfast was inspired by the immensely successful annual event hosted by the Pan Pacific Vancouver since 1987, which has collected countless donations for the Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau over the past 29 years. The Langley Christmas Bureau is excited and grateful to have the blessing of the Pan Pacific event organizers as they build on this tremendous effort.

For more information about the Langley Christmas Bureau visit www.langleychristmasbureau.com or contact Donalda Whaites, Langley Christmas Bureau Toy Depot Coordinator, at 604.530.3001 or info@langleychristmasbureau.com.

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