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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST;

Well they have done it again. I did not ask for it and I surely do not deserve it - that much I know. I may have many faults but I know my limits. It is about a story in the Deep Cove Crier and about my name which is Christ and stands for Christian in German which I changed to Crist but is frequently misspelled "Christ". What is more, after reading the story in the Crier, some people may ask me to walk on water not realizing that I cannot even swim properly. I have been practising for 40 years diligently but I am still slower than the proverbial rabbit in the water.

The story is in the latest edition of the Crier - a nice little paper and quite informative. It shows what can be done if you try. The Crier called me Christ when all I am is Crist as I already said - quite a difference I tell you. The story was on amalgamation, on Shared Services between the City and the District, on the Recreation Commission and the Arts Commission, all issues we discussed on Council the other day.

The Crier told it exactly as I told the reporter. What other paper would do that? God bless the Deep Cove Crier. The only thing they did wrong as I said is calling me CHRIST instead of CRIST, for let me assure you that I am not worthy of the elevation.

The name Christ is German and stands for Christian. That means that a few centuries ago when the heathens of central Europe were converted to Christianity, the first to do so were called Christians. Christianity was the new religion in town and some people caught on faster than others and were called Christians. Eventually they were all converted and they were all Christians but by that time it was no longer a novelty and the converts had to settle for names like Schlesinger, Schicklgruber or maybe even Hosenschleicher for all I know.


Be that as it may, the Deep Cove Crier did an interesting story on the subject of Public Recreation and the North Shore Recreation Commission etc. They even quoted me correctly and if you are interested, the story is on page 18 of the November edition of the Deep Cove Crier. Good story - I especially like the part where I am quoted as saying "they just don't get it" - this refers to the fact that even though the District is being played for a sucker by the City and even though I have told them repeatedly, they don't get it.

The other reason I like the story is because, not only is it true but no other paper would dare print that kind of stuff. Something can be said for the "Crier" so I wish them the best of luck. May the Deep Cover Crier live a long and happy life. Long live freedom of the press I say - so what if they called me Christ instead of Crist, they know I will not take anybody up on the offer to walk across Burrard Inlet.

Yours truly,

Ernie Crist

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