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From BC Provincial Worthy President, Rick Warkentin:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; If you weren't here for the Convention, you missed a good time. It was great seeing old friends and making new ones. I want to congratulate all the Past and New Officers on a job well done,

My chosen charity is Autism B.C., and I'm hoping we can raise at least \$25,000.00, so far I've raised \$3500.00 and we're planning a couple more Events. We're planning on a "Ride for Autism" in August and a dance later in the year.

My Aerie Father is Mike Wilson. My Membership Chairman is Erich Hippolt. My first visitation will be New Westminster's Picnic in September. The first Executive meeting is in Penticton at the end of September, hopefully see you there.

That's all until after the Grand Convention in New Orleans.

Fraternally, Rick Warkentin, BC Provincial Worthy President, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam President, Gail Macdonald:

Hello my Sister's and Brother's; First I would like to say sorry to all the people I have given new names to. Thank you to Campbell River Aerie and Auxiliary for hosting such a smooth running Convention! It was good to see so many friends and nice to meet new friends.

Thank you to the Provincial Officers for doing such a great job with the Memorial Service.

I hope everyone had a grand time and had a safe ride home. I understand there were a lot of people who were feeling under the weather. Hope everyone is feeling better and staying safe.

See you all when I do my Visitations. Have a great summer everyone, till later.

Fraternally and in Sisterhood, Gail Macdonald, BC Provincial Madam President, Duncan #2546

From Pacific Northwest Regional President, Marilyn Lewis:

Hi Brothers and Sisters; We have just finished up with a successful Convention. Was nice to see everyone and I hope they enjoyed coming to Campbell River for the Convention as much as we enjoyed having them visit us.

We are getting excited about attending the Grand Convention in New Orleans and looking forward to competing at Grand. The team has been practicing every week hoping to do BC Proud.

Hope everyone has a good summer and look forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Meeting.

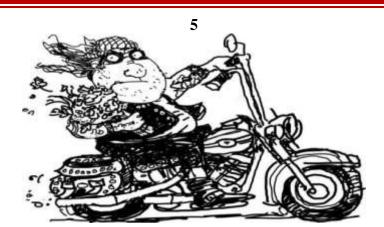
Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, Pacific Northwest Regional President

From BC Jr. Past Provincial Madam President, Fave Cook

Greetings to all my Eagle Brothers and Sisters! Hope everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer. I would like to thank everyone for making my Term as Provincial President enjoyable and informative.

Wishing the new Executive a successful year!

Fraternally, Faye Cook, Jr, Past Provincial Madam President, Penticton #4281



F.O.E. EAGLE RIDERS 3097 CAMPBELL RIVER

Hello Brothers and Sisters; Finally, Happy Summer to All;

Just a quick update on what's happened and happening for Eagle Riders Campbell River. We just completed our Annual Campbell River Poker Run with approximately 125 Motorcycles in attendance, we had a mixed bag of weather, great hospitality from our Venue stops and of course nothing but the best from our Aerie and Auxiliary here.

We were able to hand out prizes to a total of around four thousand dollars (\$4, 00.00) or in numbers, over 200 Prizes ranging from a TV to Gift Certificates. At present we are still calculating the total monies collected from this event and in the near future will tell everyone the total donated to our three designated Charities, Campbell River Search and Rescue, Campbell River Hospital and Courtney Comox Search and Rescue!

Thanks to all who collected and donated prizes and of course all my Eagle Riders who helped out that day.

We still do our Sunday rides and a few of will be traveling to the Okanagan and another group is heading up to Prince Rupert and area for a bit of adventure riding and camping.

Stay tuned for more, info or contact me at hippolts@shaw.ca See you soon. Thanks to Joan for all you do.

Fraternally Yours; Erich Hippolt; Past Provincial President Eagle Riders President 3097

Provincial Worthy Inside Guard Daryl Hippolt - Special Note: August 25th will be the Ride for Autism for Rick's Charity. Anyone wishing to donate or any clubs wishing to donate towards this can contact me at: Daryl Hippolt: dhippolt@yahoo.com or Erich Hippolt: hippolts@shaw.com

From PGO/PPMP, Barbara Johnston:

Hello Sisters and Brothers, Congratulations to Provincial Madam President Gail Macdonald and the Provincial Auxiliary Officers 2024-2025. Congratulations to Provincial Aerie President Richard Warkentin and the Provincial Aerie Officers 2024-2025. May your year be Successful, Enjoyable and all your hopes and dreams come true. Your Escort Team was a big hit consisting of Aerie and Auxiliary Members.

We all agree Congratulations go out to Campbell River Aerie and Auxiliary for a Very Successful Convention with a Special Thank You to the Chairpersons Brother Michael Wilson and Sister Marilyn Lewis.

Provincial Ritual: Thank You to the Sisters and Brothers who took the time and Volunteered to Judge and Tally the Teams. The two Teams that entered the Competitions, Ladysmith Auxiliary #2101 Class B and Campbell River #3097 Class E Congratulations, it takes many hours of practice to achieve what you accomplished. Three Sisters with individual awards were Sister Wendy Slee, Sister Fern Brown from Ladysmith Aux. #2101 and Sister Hester MacMillian from Campbell River Aux. #3097, Well Done.

There is also an Auxiliary Ritual Team from Campbell River entering at the Grand Convention. All the Best to these Sisters! Looking to the Ritual Year 2024 -2025 I am hoping other Auxiliaries and Aeries will take the time to enter Ritual Competitions next year.

It was brought to my attention that more Workshops are needed for both Competitors Judges and Tally Room. There was also a request that a Sure Shot Team demonstrate their ritual skills during the Convention. If these requests are fulfilled we should look forward to a busy Ritual Year.

We owe a Thank You to Grand Worthy Inside Guard Jayc Powell and Grand Madam Secretary Lynn Loss who attended the Provincial Convention and were instrumental in Reducing our Per Capita Tax for the coming year.

Thank You to Sister Joan Klit for accepting the position of Echo publisher for another year. Sisters and Brothers you can have your own individual Prov. Echo sent to you if you send your request to Joan with your email address.

Have a Happy, Healthy Summer with family, friends, Eagle Sisters and Brothers. Was great seeing you all at the Convention! Happy Canada Day and hope to see you in the near future!

Fraternally, Sister Barbara Johnston, PPP/PGO, Campbell River #3097

From PPNWRP/PPMP Yvonne Blom:

Hello Sister's and Brother's; Thanks to Campbell River for hosting Convention, Job well done!

Really missed Convention Booklet, they were so convenient and helpful, also reminded us of the Past Presidents that helped us carry on this work. Would love to see them back next year?

Really enjoyed seeing everyone once again! I am wishing our new Provincial Boards; Aerie and Auxiliary all the best for your coming term.

Fraternally, Yvonne Blom, PPNWRP/PPMP, Maple Ridge #2831

Giving Back People Helping People Ladysmith#2101

Jr. PMP Arlene Neale and Madam President Carey McCrae presented donations in the amount of \$661.39 each to Ladysmith Search and Rescue and to the Ladysmith Air Cadets







From PGWP/Provincial Secretary, Dave Smith:

To all the Brothers and Sisters; Happy hot summer to everyone, enjoy it when you can, winters not far away (burr). Joking aside I hope you all have a great summer and I hope everyone had as good a time as I had in Campbell River at the Convention. Great job 3097 Aerie and Auxiliary! And I know it will be as good if not better next year.

To all concerned the Convention minutes are done, but I am not going to send them out till after the Grand Convention, that way they will be fresh in our minds for the September meeting.

I hope to see you all in Penticton the weekend of September 28th for the Executive Meeting, till then be good, enjoy yourself and have a great summer.

Fraternally, Dave Smith, BC Provincial Secretary, Penticton #4281

From BC Provincial Madam Secretary, Joan Klit:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; To the Campbell River Auxiliary and Aerie you did an outstanding job of hosting our 2024 Provincial Convention. Your hospitality, dinner, entertainment and Fraternalism were outstanding!

PLEASE READ AND TAKE NOTE OF ALL NOTICES

- Please remember that all cheques for the Provincial Charities and Provincial Madam President's Special Charity must be made out to <u>BC Provincial Auxiliary</u> not to me. Mail to 275 – 2nd Avenue, Trail, BC V1R4V3

I am looking forward to seeing some you at the Grand International Convention on New Orleans. See you all in Penticton for the Executive Meeting in September.

"Thank You" again for all of your hard work and know that you are appreciated. Remember that we are all Volunteers. Please treat each other with respect and kindness.

Wishing you all a wonderful Summer!

Fraternally Yours, Joan Klit, BC Provincial Madam Secretary, Penticton #4281

From BC Jr. Past Provincial Worthy President, Larry Kellum

Hello my Brothers and Sister; I had a great year with a few ups and downs, but did get to visit most all BC Aeries and most gave to my Charity and I thank them for their generosity. I have attended Washington State Convention as wells the Oregon State Convention.

All Aeries did well with the "Hunt For New Members," some did extremely well, with some Members bringing many new members in. I would encourage them to work hard and make the new members feel at home in their Aeries.

I want to thank all the Brothers and Sisters that helped me through my Term. Congratulations; to all the new Provincial Officers and wish them a fantastic year, and the same for the new Auxiliary Officers. If there is anything that I can help them with give me a call.

Special thanks to Brother Paul for the work on the web site and hope it will continue to improve. As well as thank you, Sister Joan for the great job on the Echo.

My wishes for all is to have a Wonderful summer and see you at the next Board Meeting if not sooner Fraternally, Larry Kellum, Jr. Past Provincial President, Hope #2690

Giving Back People Helping People Ladysmith#2101



Jr. PMP Arlene Neale presenting \$1000 bursaries to Kyra Higgs, Marley Bohmer and Violet Simpson-Halliday at their Grad Ceremony



From BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Barbara Bell:

Happy Summer everyone!!! Thank you; Campbell River for a great job at Convention! We had such a great time; thanks to all your hard work. I'm looking forward to next year already.

Abbotsford has already started making money for our Hospice which is our President Terry Arnett's Charity of choice. We also raise a substantial amount for the teen Refuge Cyrus Centre.

With costs of everything at a premium and still going up, the Charity dollars are getting less but we as an Organization will persevere, of that I am sure; because we have some of the best Volunteers.

Your ideas and hard work helped raise over \$300,000 this year for our various Charities. Well Done!! Larry and Faye on a very successful year! To Rick and Gail good luck in reaching your goals I hope to see a few of you this summer in New Orleans and at the New Westminster visitation.

Have a good summer and stay safe!!

Fraternally, Barbara Bell, BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Abbotsford #2726

From BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Marlene Jordan:

Hello everyone. I hope you are enjoying the summer months. It sure was wonderful to see so many friends at the Convention this past June. I sure enjoyed myself.

My next big adventure is the Grand Convention in New Orleans next month, how exciting is that!

Stay healthy everyone and I hope to see all the Provincial Officers in September.

Sincerely, Marlene Jordan, Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Here we are at the start of what I am sure will be another amazing year with the FOE. I would like to start by congratulating Campbell River on what again was an amazing convention. The hospitality and food were second to none!

To all the newly installed Officers, both Local and Provincial, congratulations! I am sure you will all have a great year. To Provincial Worthy President Rick and Provincial Madam President Gayle hold on to your hats it's going to be an exciting and wild ride. I'm sure you will both do great.

In closing I would like to wish Past Provincial Madam President Boo Gilday a very Happy 95th Birthday on August 5th.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at our Grand Convention in New Orleans!

Fraternally, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Chaplin, Cranbrook #3032





Chaplain's Corner

Hello Sisters and Brothers; I would like to ask you all to keep Past Provincial Madam President Donna Roach in your thoughts and prayers on the loss of her mother. And to keep the family and friends of Past Provincial Worthy President William Lisney in your thoughts and prayers on his passing.

To anyone else that has been unwell or has lost a loved one we send our prayers.

If you know of anyone who has passed, is ill or just needs some support, from either the Auxiliary or Aerie please let me know. You can email me at nvanoosten1@gmail.com

Fraternally, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Chaplin

From BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Arlene Neale:

Happy summer everyone! Thank you again to Campbell River #3097 for hosting the Convention, we always enjoy ourselves. Thank you Faye Cook for your year as Provincial Madam President....I Am sure it went fast for you!

I have been appointed by Provincial Madam President Gail to head the H.O.M.E. Committee! I have enclosed the following information regarding this very important Committee.

A request for funds from the H.O.M.E Fund must come from an Auxiliary, on their Letterhead with the Auxiliary Seal and must be signed by the Madam President and the Madam Secretary. An Auxiliary may make only one request per year.

Included shall be the specific Name and Address of the Organization or Charity along with a description of their activities or function (pamphlets, literature or a letter from the organization/charity detailing the use of the funds or their funding requirements).

Any organization which received funding from the H.O.M.E. Fund within the past two years cannot be considered. This committee runs on a four year cycle.

1st year-funds received 2nd year-organization/charity cannot be considered 3rd year-organization/charity cannot be considered 4th year-organization/charity is once again eligible for funding

Each donation shall not exceed \$5000.00

Please note that H.O.M.E stands for Hands of Many Eagles and is meant to cover any Charity not covered under our Provincial By-laws

Fraternally Yours, Arlene Neale, BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Ladysmith #2101



Hello Brothers; Another year of Membership of has started and I am honoured to be Brother Rick Warkentin's Membership Chairman for his year as B.C. Provincial President.

His slogan is REV IT UP FOR THE F.O.E., so we're going to Rev It Up. Together with your help, we want to get as many New and Re-enrolled Members as possible. Sometimes we here we want quality over quantity, but in the real world, sometimes you need the quantity to find the quality. Just for example, we signed up 39 New Members this past year and have been rewarded with three new Brothers joining our Aerie Officer's ranks. I'll get more into looking after our new and re-enrolled members in future emails I'll send out as well as in the Echo.

Brother Rick's Membership Rewards go as follows. 7 Members get you a Rev it for the F.O.E. T-shirt. After 7 Members, your name will get into the draws for some fifty dollars 9\$50.00) Gas Cards and in the draw for one, one hundred dollar (\$100.00) Gift Card. We will still have our Zone winner's Plaques and Top Producer and top Aerie Plaque.

Brother Rick will also be selling his Church Keys on his visits for five dollars (\$5.00), with monies going to his Charity of choice, Autism.

So let's get behind Rick as our new Provincial President and help him reach his and your Membership goals.

Fraternally Yours; Erich Hippolt; Membership Chairman, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Franca Warkentin:

Hello Brothers and Sisters, It was a busy time for us here in Campbell River, with us hosting the Convention. It was great to see those that attended. Those of you who couldn't make it hope to see you next year.

I would like to congratulate our BC Provincial Madam President Gail on her upcoming year. I would also like to congratulate my husband Rick Warkentin – BC Worthy Provincial President. May you both have a wonderful year! And to all the Provincial Officers here's to a great year ahead.

Those of you who attended the Saturday night dinner, I hope you enjoyed the entertainment. BC Worthy President had a warrant out for his arrest dating back to last year's Convention in Penticton for hitting a house while playing golf. The officer would let him off if we could come up with \$500 bail money. Thanks to all that donated Rick raised \$950 for his bail which will go his Charity BC Autism.

Hope you all enjoy this summer, and we will see you in September at the Executive Meeting in Penticton.

Fraternally, Franca Warkentin, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Brenda Craig:

Hello Sisters and Brothers, We are in the midst of a heat wave please stay safe.

Looking forward to seeing all of those attending Grand Convention at the end of July and the Provincial Officers at the Executive Meeting in Penticton!

Enjoy the summer shenanigans.

Fraternally, Brenda Craig, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Penticton #4281

From BC Provincial Alzheimer's Chairman, Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters: As BC Alzheimer's Chairman for this year I would like to ask you all to please let me know of any Events or Donations your Auxiliary does so I can put it in the Echo.

If you would like to include pictures that would be great! My email is nvanoosten1@gmail.com

Fraternally, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Alzheimer's Chairman, Cranbrook #3032

From BC Provincial Hall of Fame Chairman, PPMP Charlene Proznick:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Thank you; to Campbell River for hosting another great Convention. It was great to see everyone that was there.

I have been appointed by Madam President Gayle MacDonald as Chairman of the Auxiliary Hall of Fame.

Please take a moment to think of all the Sisters, past and present, whom would qualify for this honour. We are looking for ladies who provide, or provided, leadership, stability, knowledge, time and effort in the advancement of membership, programs, activities and the general ideals of the auxiliary.

I know there are many out there that we would love to recognize.

Fraternally submitted by PPMP Charleen Proznick, Auxiliary Hall of Fame Chairperson

Giving Back People Helping People Ladysmith#2101

Jr. PMP Arlene Neale and Madam President Carey McCrae, presented donation to the Representatives from the Ladysmith Arts Council, Salvation Army, and Ladysmith Resource Centre











From BC Provincial Stamp Chairman, Jeannie Hounslow:

Greetings everyone and a big thank you for all the stamps collected and submitted for last term! Very appreciated!!

The following is an update received from the intermediary agency which sells stamps accumulated from all sources and donates to the **Stamp Out Cancer** project your stamps collected contributes to this project.

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The total of sales in this jurisdiction for this past period ending April 30, 2024 was \$6,665.58. Cumulative total of sales from when it started in 1954 is \$492,262.22.

The money raised from the sale of stamps and other items goes directly to the B.C. Cancer Agency Patient Relief fund. These donations are invaluable to those who are in need while having cancer treatments away from home.

We challenge you to find new sources, ask your friends, approach businesses that receive lots of mail and save all those stamps, postcards and postal ephemera so we can continue to the goal of "Stamping Out Cancer"

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The intermediary body trims stamps to the specifications acceptable to the buyer; it is important to leave ample room around the stamp so they can be trimmed properly for resale. Submitting the whole end of the envelope is great and might be easier for you otherwise lots of room around the stamp will also work.

Thank you again. Keep up the great work of enabling us to help others; it is very appreciated! Jeannie Hounslow, B.C. Provincial Auxiliary Stamp Chairman, New Westminster #20

From Jeannie Hounslow:

Thank you to everyone who sent the plastic bread bag tags in! What a lovely surprise!!

I have been collecting these and forwarding to South Africa to a community women's group who make crafts to sell to put food on the table, but it has become so cost prohibitive to send that need to change direction. While still have to explore abit further, have found an agency in Canada that collects these from accumulated sources and then uses them to fund a wheelchair for someone in need. As one can appreciate, it takes *a lot* of these little tags!!!!

For this project, it is specifically the **plastic** bread bag tags, as they are made of a special type of plastic. If you're interested in contributing to this project, kindly save the tags and I will donate them in the name of the BC FOE. Please kindly ensure the tags are clean: it takes time for a sufficient supply to accumulate and no-one needs little critters being attracted - -winged, furry or otherwise as the organization stated lol lol!!

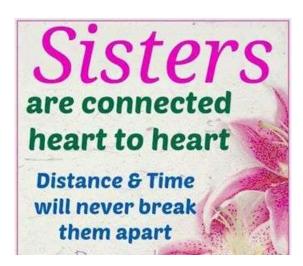
Let's keep being "People Helping People" in as many ways as we can. If we can help someone in need get a wheelchair, it would be great and assist towards our motto!!

Please do contact me if you have any questions. Fraternally, Jeannie Hounslow; foe20aux@gmail.com

BC Provincial Convention Ladysmith #2101

Ladysmith #2101 Aerie and Auxiliary Members in attendance at the BC Provincial Convention this June in Campbell River, BC





MESSAGES FROM THE AUXILIARIES AND AERIES:

LADYSMITH #2101:

Hello Sister's and Brother's; Thank you Campbell River #3097 for hosting the Convention this year...kudos to you all the organizers and all the volunteers. Well done! We look forward to next year. Congratulations to all the trophy winners.

#2101 Auxiliary has started the new Term in great style; Initiating two and we have four in the wings. The fundraising events have slowed for the summer months. Music Poker and Meat Draws will continue through the summer. The Aerie monthly bottle drive will also carry on.

We just had a sold out fun golf day. Golf and dinner saw 80 participants...the weather gods were with us as well. It is definitely going to be a yearly event.

I had the honour for #2101 to present three \$1000 bursaries at the graduation ceremonies. Congrats to Kyra Higgs, Marley Bohmer and Violet Simpson-Halliday.

The Aerie as well presented three \$1000 bursaries to; Anastasia Muller, Elijah Soares, and Auryn Watson. And another \$1000 Athletic bursary in the name of Brother Stewart Battie; to Auryn Watson!

A Concession stand at the Annual Car Show and joint Aerie/Auxiliary BBQ will close out our summer gettogethers.

The line dancers have been requested by Ladysmith Days and the Light-Up Committees to showcase their dances at their Events. Well done Sister Cat Slade and your dancers.

To all our Brothers and Sisters, enjoy the summer with family and friends and be safe in your travels.

Fraternally Yours, Arlene Neale, Jr. Past Madam President., Ladysmith #2101

NEW WESTMINSTER #20:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; Congratulations to all incoming Officers: may you and your Membership have great Term ahead. And to Campbell River, your great food and entertainment at Convention was superb as always and well enjoyed: kudos for all your hard work!!

Congratulations also to Victoria Aerie #15 for 125 years of Service and very well presented Media coverage of the Aerie and FOE. Great job!!! Congratulations also to the other Aeries who are celebrating 125 years: we commend all of you for your commitment, dedication and length of service.

Aerie #20 accomplished 125 years as well and plans to celebrate such on September 7th. The Auxiliary commends them on this achievement and is assisting the Brothers as needed.

Wishing everyone a great summer, safe travels, good health, and happy times. Perhaps we will see you in September.

The Brothers and Sisters of New Westminster #20

From Echo Chairman, Joan Klit:

Hello my Sisters and Brothers; This is the first issue of the Echo for this Term; I would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank You" for sending your submissions in for the Echo, it is greatly appreciated.

The scheduled Deadline Dates for the coming issues of the Provincial Echo are as follows: September 30th, 2024

November 5th, 2024 – This is the Christmas Issue

January 6th, 2025

March 30th, 2025

May 1st, 2025 – This is the last issue for the Term

Together we can make this a success and hopefully it will continue on for many years.

Yours in Sisterhood, Joan Klit, BC Provincial Echo Chairman

