



"WHAT IS A MOTHER?"

A mother is someone to shelter and guide us, To love us, whatever we do, With a warm understanding and infinite patience, And wonderful gentleness, too. How often a mother means swift reassurance In soothing our small, childish fears, How tenderly mothers watch over their children And treasure them all through the years.

The hearth of a mother is full of forgiveness for any mistake, big or small, And generous always in helping her family whose needs she has placed above all. A mother can utter a word of compassion and make all our cares fall away; She can brighten a home with the sound of her laughter and make life delightful and gay.

A mother possesses incredible wisdom and wonderful insight and skill-In each human heart is that one special corner which only a mother can fill!



The Echo ~ May, 2017

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PROVINCIAL CONVENTION 2017 ABBOTSFORD #2726

CONVENTION AGENDA - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Due to some of the Members being on holidays Some Event times have not been confirmed

CONVENTION GOLF:

When: Wednesday, June 7
Where: Fraser Glen – Abbotsford
Price: \$32.00 per person – 18 Holes of Golf – Power Carts Are Extra Start Time: 1:00 p.m. Tee Off
For More Information Please Contact: Andy Davies at:
Phone: 1-604-615-5637
E-mail: desandy65@shaw.ca

WEDNESDAY - JUNE 7

Registration: Auxiliary - Starting at 12:00 at the Eagles Hall, Aerie – at Eagles Hall – Starting Time Unknown At This Time
Provincial Auxiliary Officers Interviews: Super 8 - Meeting Room - starting at 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Provincial Executive Meetings: Aerie and Auxiliary – Super 8 - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Dinner: From 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Eagles Hall - \$10.00

THURSDAY - JUNE 8

Ritual Competitions: 8:30 a.m. – at Super 8 Meeting Room Joint Welcoming Ceremony: 11:00 a.m. - Line up starts at 10:30 a.m. at the Rancho Lunch: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Rancho - \$10.00 - Aerie Lunch: 12:00 – Eagles Hall = \$8.00 Sessions Start: 1:00 p.m. - Auxiliary at Rancho - Aerie at Eagles Hall Memorial Practice: at Rancho – 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Installation Practice: at Rancho – 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Auxiliary PPMP Dinner: Abbey Road Tap House – 5:00 p.m. next to Super 8 Aerie PPWP Dinner: Unknown at this time Thursday Dinner: 6:00 - 7:00 - Eagles Hall - \$10.00

FRIDAY - JUNE 9

Memorial: 8:00 a.m. Sharp – at Rancho – Doors will be open at 7:00 a.m. Sessions: 9:00 a.m. – Auxiliary at Rancho – Aerie at Eagles Hall Lunch: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Rancho - \$10.00 - Aerie Lunch: 12:00 – Eagles Hall = \$8.00 Sessions Resume: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Friday Joint Banquet: at Rancho - Cocktails: at 5:30 p.m. - Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

There will be <u>No Friday Dinner</u> at the Eagles Hall

SATURDAY - JUNE 10

Sessions: 8:00 a.m. – Auxiliary at Rancho – Aerie at Eagles Hall Lunch: 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Rancho Officers Pictures: 1:00 p.m. - Sharp -Installation of Officers: 2:00 p.m. - Sharp at Rancho

SUNDAY - JUNE 11 Farewell Breakfast: 8:00 am to 10:00 AM - Eagles Hall

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact:

Convention Co-Chairman; Carol Edgington at: 604 -855-5060 or Email: <u>caedgington@gmail.com</u> Paul Funk at: 604 556-6444 or Email: <u>matt.paul.funk@gmail.com</u>

Golf Chairman: Andy Davies 604-615-5637 or E-mail: <u>desandy65@shaw.ca</u>



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From BC Provincial Worthy President, Michael Wilson:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; It's that time of year the flowers are starting to bloom the grass needs to be mowed if it every stops raining. Hope everyone is having a great spring so far. I just finished the last of my visitation on the Mainland, and one more left on the Island.

I would like to thank all the Aeries and Auxiliary for making my entire visitation so special. It was wonderful meeting so many Brothers and Sister that work so hard for this great Organization. Seeing many Members receive their Membership Pins for service to helping handing out checks to so many Charities. Membership has been so great this year, a little ahead of last year, which means that we are growing bigger and stronger. But all the Brothers will hear about that at Convention soon and any Brothers that brought in Members will receive a gift from my Membership Chairman's.

With Convention just a month away, we will be in Abbotsford for another great Convention. Just a reminder if anyone is interested in holding a Convention in the future but a little scared, don't be there is many places that have hosted and would be delighted to help a new place give it a try; if so please send a letter to Brother Will and he would be able help you get started.

Once again thanks to everyone for making my year so special, this has been truly an honor. For many journeys I have travelled this is been one of my highlights. Proud is a person that looks at all they have achieved, but I couldn't achieve any of this without all of you, so I will be just a humble person and continue being an Eagle, because being an Eagle is something I'm proud of.

Fraternally, Michael Wilson, BC Provincial Worthy President, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam President, Donna Roach:

Dear Sisters and Brothers; Time has just flown bye and it is hard to believe that we are so close to Convention time. With Elections completed for some of you and for some they are just around the corner. Please give your newly elected Officers your full support as you all work together to build a stronger Fraternity.

On April 19th Prince George #3318 Auxiliary was host to Grand Madam President Judy Johnson from Lawrence, Kansas #309, we had a great visitation. If you check her page on Facebook you would be able to see many pictures that were taken. She was very disappointed that she was only given one day to travel and one day for visitations. She is going to speak to them at Grand regarding this so that in the future more time would be allotted to our Province.

Attached is a list of Convention Committees, as I did not receive a copy of all Auxiliaries Registration Forms, sisters who may have wished to serve on a Committee may not be included. If you wish to be on a Committee please feel free to contact me by phone 250-562-6131 or email: <u>donna_roach@telus.net</u> Also, please ensure you read the Rules of Convention which are also attached.

Please remember that Thursday is <u>Remember Our Past</u>; PPMP please bring your albums from your year and Friday is <u>Support Our Troops</u> Days, please bring something <u>Red</u> to wear!

I am looking forward to renewing friendships made and making new ones in Abbotsford, wishing you safe travels and sweet blessings.

Hugs, Donna Roach, BC Provincial Madam President, Prince George #3318

"A Mother Is A Rose In The Garden Of Life"

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> Load Them Up and Haul Them In For the F.O.E.



Hello Brothers;

Another year is closing out for Membership and all I can say is well done. Just about every Aerie has signed up at least one New or Reenrolled Member for their Aerie. It shows in our numbers, approximately 106 Members signed up more than last year. The finale totals of course will come at Convention.

Let's finish off the year in form and sign up the last few Members for Brother Michael Wilson and of course, your Aerie. The Island needs two more Members to reach the number we had last year and we are the only Region in a negative number, so please sign a few more up please.

Brother Hector and myself along with Brother Will are getting ready to hand out lots of Membership rewards at this year's Convention, so make sure you all make an effort to attend Convention in Abbotsford this June. There's always a great time had in Abbotsford. Thanks Joan for all you do. See you at Convention in a few weeks.

Fraternally Yours;

Erich Hippolt; B.C. Provincial Aerie Membership Chairman



From BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President, Shirley Hunt:

Hello my Sisters and Brothers, Here we are at the end of another year. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed my years as an Officer. I only hope I have inspired some of you to start through the chairs. It is a great learning experience.

Please keep signing up those new Members and keep the Eagles strong. Thank you sister Joan for doing your usual fantastic job, keeping us all informed of what is happening.

See you all in Abbotsford. Drive carefully. Respectfully, Shirley Hunt, BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President, Ladysmith # 2101

From Pacific Northwest Regional President, Marna Newby:

Sisters and Brothers, Thanks for such a wonderful year as your Pacific Northwest Regional President. You have showed me such Friendship and Love; it is truly something I shall never forget.

You let me laugh and cry with you, allowed me to come into your homes as a friend, to play and party, and sometimes we discuss important issues.

Again it was amazing. Thank you

Happiness Always, Marna Newby, Pacific Northwest Regional President (2016-2017)

From Pacific Northwest Regional President, Bob Davis:

Brothers and Sisters of the great Province of British Columbia; I hope everyone is as excited about increasing our Membership numbers in 2017-2018 as I am. The Membership numbers profile looks promising already!

The Grand Aerie is trying to do its part and offer all the help it can to the local Aeries and Auxiliaries at the capable hands of Brother Vince Kinman and staff and Brother Scott Houghtaling and crew.

Just take a look at the latest edition of the SOAR and see some of the things we have in store for the entire jurisdiction. Just take a look at the latest SOAR brochure from the Grand Aerie. Wow! What a professional and informative piece of literature it is.

And finally, the Grand Aerie has realized that classes and seminars and schools should be taught most heavily in the first quarter. That is when the Officers taking new positions and stand the chance to learn the most on just how to do their duties and run our business.

I look forward to meeting with my Brothers and Sisters of Canada once again in Abbotsford where we can share ideas on Membership and on our respective duties.

See you all soon,

Fraternally and sincerely, "Beaver" Bob Davis, Pacific Northwest Regional Worthy President, Oregon











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From Past Pacific Northwest Regional President, Yvonne Blom:

Hello Sisters and Brothers, Convention is fast approaching, let's get those last Members signed up, and those dropped or forgotten ones Re-enrolled!

Good luck to Provincial Madam President Donna, you will have a great Convention just as you have had a great year! To our Provincial Officers only the best as you go on to the next year. To our Incoming Provincial President Klara here's wishing you all the best in your up-coming year!

See you all in Abbotsford, Love you all, Yvonne Blom, PPNWRP/PPMP

IMPROTANT NOTICE FOR PROVINCIAL CONVENTION - MEMORIAL SCROLL



PLEASE SEND ALL THE AUXILIARIES DECEASED MEMBERS TO:

MARILYN LEWIS AT: dalmar1@telus.net

BEFORE MAY 15th

IN ORDER FOR YOUR DECEASED MEMBERS TO BE PUT ON THE MEMORIAL SCROLL

THANK YOU!



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Pack your Stamps and Campbell's Soup Labels! And bring them to Convention please. Here will be a box at the Registration Desk to put them into.

Thank you so much for participating. Every little bit helps others in need, and your work is so very much appreciated.

From BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Renee Paquette:

Hi Brothers and Sisters, A new Term is fast approaching maybe a little too fast. I am looking forward to our new Term. I hope I can do as good of a job as our previous Past Provincial Presidents. There is still some work to do and I should have it done with a little help from my friends.

Abbotsford Aerie and Auxiliary are looking forward to hosting our Provincial Convention this year. Co-Chairman Paul Funk, Carol Edgington and all of the Volunteers are doing a great job preparing for this Provincial Convention. It would be nice if you all made an effort to attend.

Provincial President's Mike and Donna you had a "Great Term". You should both be proud of what you have accomplished.

I am looking forward to see all my Brothers and Sisters in Abbotsford for Convention.

Have a safe Summer and hope to see you all soon. Fraternally, Renee Paquette, BC Provincial Worthy Vice Pres/President Elect

From BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Klara Schubert:

Hello all my Sisters and Brothers, I can't believe June is around the corner, this Year has just gone by so fast, and Installation of Officers is almost here.

I'm getting a little nervous, but Renee and I will try to do our best to represent you and our Province as we will also try to do our best for our Special Charity Breast Cancer. We are going to the Grand International Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan this coming July. We will be starting our Visitations in the Kootenays in September. I Hope we can make you Proud of us.

I would like to "Thank" all the Officers during this Term and wish Good Luck to the upcoming Officers.

Have a Beautiful Summer, I know I will. Fraternally, Klara Schubert, BC Provincial Madam Vice President / President Elect, Vernon # 3557

From BC Provincial Madam Treasurer, Judy McMillan:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; As this Term draws to an end I would like to take this opportunity to "Thank " everyone for your support over the past year. Once again I have learned so much and am so grateful for the experience. Abbotsford #2726, Aerie and Auxiliary, your support means the world to me.

Congratulations to Provincial Presidents Mike Wilson and Donna Roach. You've done a wonderful job over the Term and represented our Province so well. Your year is coming to an end but I am sure you will cherish the memories you've made and the friends, new and old, that you've been able to visit with.

On a personal note, thanks so much to everyone for their thoughts, prayers and well wishes sent our way over Gary's recent surgery. Words can't express how much your messages and hugs meant to the both of us.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone here in Abbotsford at the Provincial Convention. Please travel safe.

Have a wonderful summer everyone. Fraternally Yours, Judy McMillan, BC Provincial Madam Treasurer



To All Our Sisters And Brothers; Our Get Well Wishes go out to Jr. Past Madam President Shirley Hunt who was in the hospital and to Provincial Auxiliary Mother/PPMP Glenda Brommeland who had a Heart Attack. We wish you both a speedy recovery.

Now for a bit of news from Alberta and the States; Our Condolences go out to the family and friends on the passing of Oregon PSMP Fern Klein. She will be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes go out to PGWP John Potter who had a Stroke and is in the Foothills Hospital in Calgary. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Remember that the Power of Prayers is very strong, let's not forget, to keep everyone in our Thoughts and Prayers.

From BC Provincial Diabetes Research Center Chairman, Doreen Tosoff:

Hello my Sisters; I am **Requesting** the <u>FOE LADIES AUXILIARY DRC REPORTS</u>; form each Auxiliary Secretary; please forward your DRC Reports to me by May 15th 2017.

I need this information to make my Report for the Provincial Convention as well as sending the information to the Pacific Northwest Regional DRC Chairperson.

You can send your DRC Report to me at: DOREEN TOSOFF, 312- 595 Yates Rd, Kelowna, BC V1V 1P8 <u>dosoff@telus.net</u> = 250 - 862 - 2738



Load Um Up for the F.O.E. in 2016-17

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| 318 PRINCE GEORGE | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | 12 | -9 | 25.00 | | |
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Brother Secretaries: If using the MMS Online Membership system, please be sure to convert Applicants to Members in Good Standing. Send any discrepancies to Membership. Secretary Will Heigh at 604-852-9183 or wbh@telus.net

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From Provincial Madam Chaplain, Bev Bailey:

Hello Sister's and Brother's; Well here we are again another Convention just around the corner. Abbotsford Aerie and Auxiliary have been working very hard to make it a memorable Convention. I am looking forward to seeing old friends and meeting new Sister's.

To Sister Donna and Brother Mike I wish you a successful Convention, I know you both will do an outstanding job. To Sister Klara and Brother Renee I wish you both a very wonderful term.

To Provincial Mother Glenda I just heard recently that you are recovering from a Heart Attack a speedy recovery, and hope to see you at Convention and to Jr. Past Madam President Shirley; wishing you a speedy recovery.

Past Grand President John Potter is in Alberta hospital recovering from a Stroke; let's keep him in our thoughts and prayers. To all of the Sister's and Brother's who have been ill or in hospital I wish you a speedy recovery.

All traveling to Convention; safe travels my friends

Till next time love to all Fraternally, Bev Bailey, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Vancouver #2075

From BC Provincial Worthy Conductor, Gary McMillan:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; I would like to "Thank" everyone for their support and guidance I have received over this Term. I have truly learned so much and it has been a privilege and an honor to serve as Provincial Conductor the past year. Thank You Maple Ridge #2831; Aerie and Auxiliary for your continued support.

Congratulations to Provincial Presidents Mike Wilson and Donna Roach on their successful year.

I would also like to "Thank" everyone for their well wishes and support shown to me during my recent surgery and recovery. Your hugs and words of encouragement meant the world to me. Special thanks to Brothers Wayne Bucklage and Randy Strang for stepping in and taking on the Provincial Ritual Chair for me and to Brother Joseph Millette for filling in at the Lower Mainland Zone Conference when I wasn't able to fulfill my duties in these positions.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Abbotsford at the Provincial Convention.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer and please travel safe. Fraternally Yours, Gary McMillan, BC Provincial Worthy Conductor, Maple Ridge #2831

From BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Marilyn Lewis:

Hello Brothers and Sisters, Where does the time go the Provincial Convention is right around the corner and it seems like we just had the last one. I guess that old saying is true Time flies when you're having fun.

Hoping anyone who is or has been under the weather is feeling better. My thoughts and prayers go out to any of you that have lost someone.

Safe travels to everyone and looking forward to seeing everyone in Abbotsford. Fraternally Yours, Marilyn Lewis, BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Campbell River #3097

F.O.E. EAGLE RIDERS 3097 CAMPBELL RIVER

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Hello Brothers and Sisters; Looks like we might be starting to get some nicer weather, so you know what that means, our local Eagle Riders will be out riding through the country looking for excitement in which ever comes are way.

Just a few of the happenings around here is the Campbell River Poker Run hosted by our Aerie and Auxiliary and of course our very own Eagle Riders 3097. The date is Sunday, June 25th, starting with breakfast at the Aerie and of course various stops through the Campbell River and Comox Valley with the climax back at the Aerie home.

My crew has been out handing out posters and collecting gifts for this event and they've done a great job. We have a trips planned for July to Ocean Shores and August to Barkerville/Prince George and back to Kamloops for their Poker Run, area so stay tuned for more information.

Frats for now; Erich Hippolt, Eagle Riders President, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Joann Mallett:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Convention is just over the horizon! You have made your Local Donations, so now get them on paper, signed by your Madam President and Madam Secretary, and sealed with your Auxiliary Seal. Put the documents in the mail to the Provincial Madam Secretary Joanne Krisko by May15th and your efforts will be recognized at Convention.

I know this is a very busy time of our year with Dues, Convention matters, Elections and such, so if you can help your Madam Secretary any way, I'm sure she will appreciate it.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in June. Travel safely and keep well. Fraternally, Joanne Mallett, BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, BC Provincial Local Donation Chairman, Nelson #22

From Provincial Madam Trustee, Bobbi Williamson:

Greetings from the Island; I have been busy attending a few Auxiliary Meetings, attended Campbell River Aerie #3097 for dinner held in honor of Grand Worthy President Jerry Sullivan, and Duncan Auxiliary #2546 and Chemainus Crofton #4400 Mother's Day Teas.

I am looking forward to seeing old friends and making new friends at the Convention in Abbotsford in June. Abbotsford Aerie and Auxiliary are putting a lot of blood, sweat and I am sure tears making sure we are well fed and entertained during the four days. I know you will do a bang-up job Abbotsford.

Madam Trustee Bobbi Williamson

From Provincial Madam Trustee, Faye Cook:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Happy Spring everyone. I hope everyone is doing well. I'm looking forward to Convention; I always enjoy seeing everyone and as the Children's Fund Chairman I would like to remind everyone of the steps to make a request for Funds.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CHILDREN'S FUND

A request for funds from the B.C. Children's 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 B.C. Children's 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

Fraternally, Faye Cook, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, BC Provincial Children's Fund Chairman, Trail #2838

From Provincial Madam Trustee, Louise Alexander:

Dear Sisters and Brothers, I was sorry to have missed seeing everyone at the Executive Meeting in March. I understand Provincial Madam President Donna did a great job of chairing the meeting and a lot of business was discussed. Well done Donna. I am sure that you will chair a great Provincial Convention here in June!

Since arriving home, I have become immersed in Eagle activities. On April 21st our club hosted the Grand Aerie President, Jerry Sullivan and his lovely wife Maxine. Then the following weekend we were in Hope for their visitation where a great Roast Beef Dinner was served. It was nice to catch up with old friends.

Now our own club is getting busy to prepare for the upcoming Provincial Convention that will be held here in Abbotsford from June 7th to June 11th. These Conventions not only cover the business of our Organization but also cement the friendships we have formed over the years. So I am looking forward to welcoming you all to Abbotsford 2726!

Yours Fraternally, Louise Alexander, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Abbotsford #2726





14 From BC Provincial Auxiliary Membership Chairman, Jeannie Hounslow:



Dear Sisters, How fast the year went!!! Taking this Membership Chair seemed so daunting last June and suddenly now, poof - it's done!!! Have made so many great acquaintances, and I will sincerely miss the interactions I have had with you. This Organization is so fortunate to have Sisters who continuously work hard, who have strived to understand how things work and what it takes to keep things held together and progressing and who help others less fortunate. The words thank you almost seems menial for all that you have done this year, but they are very heartfelt and appreciative.

Thank YOU!!

Thank you for helping me personally, thank you for helping your Auxiliary, thank you for making a difference in the world. And thank you for introducing others into the Auxiliary. The person whose life is a bit easier because of the money we raised and donated doesn't usually have a clue it is because of **you**, but we know it is **your** work and dedication that makes their life a wee bit more bearable and you can be so proud knowing you introduced new Members who can participate and share that pride.

Fourth Quarter Challenges (March 01st/April/May 31st)

Update regarding <u>Grand's Third Quarter Challenge Winners</u>: Both random draw winners for first time proposers in the Pacific Northwest region were from Washington; Auxiliary–Susan Spence, Cle Elum, WA #649; Aerie–Greg Faldborg, Snohomish, WA #195

Grand Challenge: A random drawing of all auxiliary members in your region who re-enroll a member between March $1 - May 31^{st}$ get a chance win \$250 (has to be entered and showing in MMS).

<u>Provincial Challenge:</u> March 1 – May 31 (winners announced at convention) - a bit of competitive fun, and for a wee prize (always that *wee* prize, hahaha): for **the most new members** <u>initiated</u> between the:

Auxiliaries with 150+ members (3);

Auxiliaries with 51-99 members (6);

Auxiliaries with 100-149 members (4); Auxiliaries up to 50 members (6)

Reminders:

Secretaries: Noticed two nuances in MMS regarding member totals. MMS will be the primary source of Convention trophy winner determination so please go in and check to ensure your entries reported correctly to April 30th: a late April entry possibly may not be showing up as April. Kindly let me know discrepancies **ASAP**. **You were asking**:

Question: How many Canadian Provinces have Auxiliaries, and how many?

Answer: Alberta (7 auxiliaries); BC (19); Manitoba (1); Ontario (3); Quebec (4).

At Apr 30 we are second in Canada net gain: AB has net gain percentage of 2.2%; BC is -0.4% **Question**: What are the BC standings in relation to the organization as a whole? (June 1/16 – April 30/17)

Answer: - 7 new/re-enrolled needed to meet province-wide net gain goal set by Grand (by MMS stats);

- we are 2nd to Alaska in the Pacific Northwest Region, who has exceeded their net gain by 24.
- of the 47 States/Provinces, only 7 have met/exceeded their net gain of +1: we are in 9th place overall!!! That's really good!!! Net gain isn't that easy!!!!! You're amazing!!!!!

With sincere appreciation to everyone for picking up the key and helping to unlock your Auxiliary's potential,

Fraternally, Jeannie Hounslow Provincial Auxiliary Membership Chair foeprov@gmail.com

Unlock your Potential



Continued From BC Provincial Auxiliary Membership Chairman, Jeannie Hounslow:

Auxiliary

Membership Report

05/04/2017 11:56 am

April 30, 2017

| BRITIS | SH COLUMBIA No. Aerie | . of e/Aux | 4/30/17 Count | 5/31/16 Count | New | Re- enroll | Cha Appl | rter Adj | Apr 2017 | Apr 2016 | Var | Total Fiscal YTD | Total Prev YTD | YTD Var | Net Gain | % Gain |
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| 12 | VICTORIA | | 59 | 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 2 | 6 | -4 | -2 | -3.3 |
| 15 | NANAIMO | | 13 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | -8 | -38.1 |
| 20 | NEW WESTMINSTER | | 29 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | -2 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 22 | NELSON | | 63 | 64 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | -3 | -1 | -1.6 |
| 2075 | VANCOUVER | | 40 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | -5 | -11.1 |
| 2096 | PORT ALBERNI | | 13 | 13 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 2101 | LADYSMITH | | 253 | 254 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 21 | 20 | 1 | -1 | -0.4 |
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| 2726 | ABBOTSFORD | | 118 | 111 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 13 | 13 | 0 | 7 | 6.3 |
| 2831 | MAPLE RIDGE | | 46 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | -3 | -9 | -16.4 |
| 2838 | TRAIL | | 42 | 46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | -4 | -8.7 |
| 3032 | CRANBROOK | | 61 | 61 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | -4 | 4 | 8 | -4 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 3097 | CAMPBELL RIVER (CAMPBELL R | IVER D | 209 | 186 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 37 | 27 | 10 | 23 | 12.4 |
| 3318 | PRINCE GEORGE | | 53 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | -2 | 2 | 7 | -5 | -3 | -5.4 |
| 3453 | KAMLOOPS | | 91 | 105 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 7 | 27 | -20 | -14 | -13.3 |
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NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES AND AERIES: CAMPBELL RIVER #3097:

Hello Sisters and Brothers, We have been busy as usual with our Catering and Fund Raising. We were lucky enough to join our Brothers for the Grand Worthy President Visitation. Great evening was had by all. There was lots of good food and socializing.

We are busy getting together names to take part in the Big Bike Race jointly with the Brothers for Heart and Stroke in May. We have been lucky enough to get some of our newer Members to take Office this year and will hopefully enjoy it enough that they will continue on in the upcoming years.

We have a fairly large group going to the Convention and we also have a few new ones attending. Hope they get lots out of it and their interests continue. We have been very lucky getting new Members this year as well as having some Re-enroll. Everything is looking very good for Campbell River at this time.

Wishing Abbotsford all the best for the upcoming Convention Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, Secretary, Campbell River #3097

DUNCAN #2546:

Hello to all our Brothers and Sisters, Hope everyone had a wonderful Easter. We have a Mother's Day Tea coming up on May 10th from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Our Installation of Officers will be held on May 28th.

We are wishing all the Mothers a very "Happy Mother's Day". Wishing everyone safe travels to and from Convention.

Fraternally, Fran Ryan, Secretary, Duncan #2546

LADYSMITH #2101:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Hopefully Spring has arrived to the Wet Coast or at the very least Vancouver Island. Ladysmith has just about wrapped another year. With Nominations behind us; we have an Annual Mother's Day Tea on May 13th, Installation of Officers, with a Dinner and Dance afterwards on May 27th and our final Meat Pies on May 29th.

For the first time in many years our Aerie President and Auxiliary President are Husband and Wife. We have had a very productive year, enrolling and Re-enrolling Members with six (6) more to be initiated this Month. Our average age is slowly declining with most of the new Members we initiated this year are below the pension age.

NELSON AUXILIARY #22:

Hello Brothers and Sisters! Happy Mother's Day to All! I hope you are able to spend the Day with family and Friend's to remember all our Mother's who are with us and those watching over all of us. In Nelson it has been a long time tradition to welcome the first baby born on Mother's Day with a big basket of goodies! We hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful sunny days we have been blessed with.

As we get closer to Convention I am sure the warm weather will arrive. We look forward the B.C. Convention to meet and enjoy time with all our Eagle Brothers and Sisters. All the best to our Provincial Madam President Donna on a great year! Also Provincial Worthy President Michael a great year! We wish you both a very Special Convention along with all your Officers.

To anyone suffering with any sickness have a speedy recovery. All those who have lost loved ones please remember your friends and family are there for support! See you all in Abbotsford in June! Fraternally, Nelson Auxiliary #22

NEW WESTMINSTER AUXILIARY #20:

Hello Brothers and Sisters: We at #20 congratulate you all as you finish off this Term and hope you get a moment to reflect back on the year and what has been accomplished; it is always more than one initially realizes. Provincial Madam President Donna and Provincial Worthy President Mike, I can personally say how amazing you have been to work with, and we all wish you the very best in your final tallies and achievements.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Convention, and if you are in the New Westminster area, please do give us a shout and drop by. The hanging Basket Sale is May 13th, perfect gift for Mother's Day and the Brothers are preparing brunch for us Mothers that day as well.

Looking forward to seeing you at Convention, Fraternally, Jeannie Hounslow, Madam Secretary, on behalf of the Brothers and Sisters of New West #20

Hello Sisters and Brothers, We are still Fund raising through our Friday Dinners and Sunday Breakfast. We gave out four Bursaries to deserving students, and cheques to many other Charities.

We have our new slate of Officers, with Installation on May 24th, Potluck Dinner at 6:00pm. The Aerie is doing BBQ Salmon Dinner on May 12th. There will be a special Lobster Fest Dinner and Dance (band "Still Munro") on June 24th, Tickets are \$40.00.

We enjoyed the visit from Provincial Madam President, Donna Roach, Past Pacific North West Regional President, Ethel Kothlow, Honorary Provincial Mother, Doreen Tosoff. A potluck dinner followed.



Pictured is Provincial Madam President, Donna, serving dessert



VICTORIA #12:

Hello from the Island: Things are pretty much the same here. We had another Wheel Spin. Our Pin Presentation went well. We had a lovely dinner before and it was delicious. Then we had our Charity Cheque Presentation which went well. The presentation for PPMP Sister Edith May's picture was well received. But we made a few people cry.

Our Brunches are going well. Good turn out some days. We have them every two weeks. We have one on April 29th. Then the ones in May will be May 12th and May 27th.

We send out our Condolences to any Aerie or Auxiliary Member who has lost a loved one; and our wishes to anyone who has been sick or in hospital. We are thinking of you and you are in our prayers.

We are looking forward to our Joint Installation at the end of May. We are hoping to have a good year.

We are looking forward to a successful and harmonious Convention. See you all on the Eagle Trail. Cheers, Patti Robinson, Secretary, Victoria #12

From BC Provincial Echo Chairman, Joan Klit:

Hello my Sisters and Brothers; As this is the last issue of the BC Provincial Echo Bulletin for this Term; I want to say "Thank You" to our Provincial Madam President Donna and Provincial Worthy President Michael for asking me to serve as the BC Provincial Echo Chairman for their Term.

I have always enjoyed working on the Echo and I believe strongly that this is one of the best ways to keep the line of Communications open between all of our Sisters and Brothers in the Province and other Canadian Provinces as well as our Sisters and Brothers in the United States.

I would like to say a very special "Thank You"; to the Provincial Auxiliary and Aerie Officers, Auxiliary and Aerie Secretaries and to all the Brother's and Sister's; who have sent in submissions for the BC Provincial Echo Bulletin this past Term.

I am very proud that this Joint Venture was successful this past Term and I hope that you will continue it for the next Term.

Yours in Sisterhood, Joan Klit, BC Provincial Echo Chairman

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CREDENTIALS FOR ADMISSION:

Delegates from Local Auxiliaries, Past Madam Presidents and Ten-Year Secretaries wishing to obtain admission to and participate in the deliberations of the Convention shall first obtain their Credentials from the Credentials Committee, where each shall properly identify herself and present her Official Receipt showing that she is in good standing in her local Auxiliary.

ADMISSION TO CONVENTION:

No person, except for and during special Order of Business, shall be admitted to or permitted to remain in the portion of the Convention Hall which is set aside for Accredited Representatives, unless she is such an Accredited Representative or Registered Visitor, and unless she, upon request, displays her Credentials and shall have deposited the daily attendance stub with the proper Provincial Auxiliary Official in charge of collecting such attendance stub.

ADMISSION OF VISITORS:

If the Convention Hall is set up with a designated section for Visitors and Guests, then this is the area where they shall sit. Otherwise, they may sit with the Accredited Representatives.

DECISION MAKING:

Only Accredited Representatives and Delegates are entitled to participate in the making of decisions.

ATTENDANCE:

All Accredited Representatives and/or Delegates are expected to attend all sessions of the Convention. Your Auxiliary Secretary may request to see your record of attendance at the Convention.

NAME BADGES AND RIBBONS:

All Accredited Representatives or Delegates shall wear their name badges and ribbons visibly at all times.

MANNER OF GAINING THE FLOOR:

An Accredited Representative, desiring to gain the Convention floor to be heard on any matter which is properly before the Provincial Auxiliary, shall <u>Rise, give the Salutation Sign to the Provincial Madam</u> <u>President and, when recognized, shall forthwith give her name and the number of her local Auxiliary</u> before proceeding. Microphones shall be used when available.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Except those contained in reports of Committees of the Provincial Auxiliary, all Resolutions which are to be presented to the Provincial Auxiliary, including any Resolutions heretofore adopted by any Ladies Auxiliary to a local Aerie, shall first be presented to the Provincial Auxiliary by filing same to the Provincial Secretary prior to March 30th for distribution to all local Auxiliaries for their consideration prior to the Convention.

When the resolutions are presented to the Convention floor, it is the Resolution that is before the Convention and <u>NOT</u> the recommendation of the Resolution Committee.

DEBATE:

The maker of a motion is entitled to speak to the motion first if she so desires. Debate may be limited to a maximum of <u>Three (3) Speakers</u> for the motion and <u>Three (3) Speakers</u> opposed to the motion. Speeches will be limited to <u>Two (2) Minutes</u> each.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS:

The Nominating Committee shall consist of all Past Provincial Madam Presidents present at Convention. The Chairman and Secretary shall be named by the Provincial Madam President. The Nominating Committee shall recommend one nominee for each Office in the Provincial Auxiliary. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Nominating speeches shall be limited to <u>Three (3) Minutes each.</u>

ELECTION:

Voting shall take place between the hours of **12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.** on the Friday of Convention. Accredited Representatives and Delegates desiring to cast a ballot shall present their Official Receipt and Credentials to the Elections Committee. Any Credential which has been altered in any manner may be declared invalid. Any ballot which has been marked prior to inspection by the Elections Committee will be declared illegal. A majority of the votes legally cast shall elect, except when there are more than two candidates for any one office, in which instance a plurality of the votes legally cast for such office shall elect.

When more than one person is to be elected to any one office: **example:** five (5) Trustees, if you vote for less than five (5) your ballot is counted, however, if you vote for more than five (5) the ballot is spoiled and is not counted. Unintelligible ballots are treated as illegal votes and shall be reported as such. Small technical errors, like the misspelling of a name do not make a vote illegal if the meaning of the ballot is clear. Decisions on balloting shall be under the jurisdiction of the Election Committee.

DRESS CODE:

Dress attire to sessions of the Provincial Auxiliary Convention shall be dresses, slacks, skirts, and skorts, walking shorts with appropriate blouse or shirt and shall be clean and business-like.

PHOTOGRAPHS:

No flash photographs may be taking during any of the Ritualistic Ceremonies or at other times when the Bible is open on the Altar.

AGENDA:

The Agenda established by the Provincial Madam President shall be adopted by the Delegates.

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

The Parliamentarian may assist the Resolutions, By-laws and Elections Committees if so requested.

ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER:

Any point or issue not covered in the Rules of Convention or in the Laws of the Order shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order newly revised and the ruling of the Provincial Madam President who shall consult with the appointed Parliamentarian.

2017 BC Provincial Convention Committees

<u>Auditors:</u> Chairman: Nona Millette - Vancouver #2075 Ruth McCarter - Nanaimo #15 - Carolyn Hrabb - Nelson #22 Maxine Everson - Abbotsford #2726

By-Laws Committee: Chairman: Shirley Welcher - Nanaimo #15 Doreen Ellington - Vernon #3557 - Sandy Bumby - Penticton #4281 Marlene Jordan - Campbell River #3097 -Maxine Everson - Abbotsford #2726 Marilyn Featherstone - Duncan #2546

<u>**Credentials Committee: Chairman**</u> - Patti Robinson - Victoria #12 Jackie Anderson - Ladysmith #2101- Dot Muir - Campbell River #3097 Tina Gibson - Penticton #4281- Diane Lee - Hope #2690 Joanne Selman - Penticton #4281

<u>Elections Committee</u>: Chairman - Thelma Redmond - Nanaimo #15 Julia Warkentin - Campbell River #3097 - Donna Shannon - Chemainus-Crofton #4400 Theresa Lavalley - Vancouver #2075 - June Bruce - Abbotsford #2726 Barb Gilbert - Hope #2726 - Sylvia Hollinger - Prince George #3318

Finance Committee: Chairman - Cheryl Acton - Maple Ridge #2831 Arlene Neal - Ladysmith #2101- Marylou Tipple - Campbell River #3097 Sharon Boyne - Maple Ridge #2831- Brenda Craig - Penticton #4281

Hall of Fame: Chairman - Charlene Proznick - Kamloops #3453 Barbara Johnson - Campbell River #3097 - Carol Torrance - Vernon #3557

Historian: Shirley Hunt

Memory Book: BC Provincial Trustees

<u>Provincial Officer Nomination Committee</u>: Chairman - Charlotte Bond - Nelson #22 Secretary - Yvonne Harry - Penticton #4281 Advisor to Secretary - Charlene Proznick - Kamloops #3453

<u>Resolutions Committee</u>: Chairman - Joan Klit - Trail #2838 Barb Kellum - Hope #2690 - Pat Robson - Victoria #12 Robin Sandell - Abbotsford #2726 - Miriam MacFarlane - Nelson #22 Delores Billings - Duncan #2546