



BC Provincial Echo



January, 2018



*At the sound of the tolling midnight bell
a brand new year will begin.*

*Let's raise our hopes in a confident toast,
to the promise it ushers in.*

*May your battles be few, your pleasures many,
your wishes and dreams fulfilled.*

*May your confidence stand in the face of loss
and give you the strength to rebuild.*

*May peace of heart fill all your days
may serenity grace your soul.*

*May tranquil moments bless your life
and keep your spirit whole.*

Happy New Year

The Echo ~ January, 2017

From BC Provincial Madam President, Klara Schubert:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; I can't believe the Year is almost over; it has been a very trying Year for everyone. My Condolences to the families of Sisters Bev Bailey and Shirley Hunt they will be Missed.

My deepest Sympathy goes out to Shirley Welcher and family; on the loss of your dear husband, Ron. I am very sorry that I will not be at the Service, I have to go to Alberta my younger Sister is in Hospice House. To Joanne Krisko, a Speedy Recovery to Cory, look after our Girl.

My year has been going very good, only two Visitations left, Hope and Abbotsford. We have been treated so well from all the Aeries and Auxiliaries across all of BC. Thank you all. Planning to go to the LMZC in February and we hope to see all of you in Abbotsford for the BC Provincial Executive Meeting.

Safe Travel's everyone. See you all soon.

Fraternally, Klara Schubert, BC Provincial Madam President, Vernon #3557

From BC Provincial Worthy President, Renee Paquette:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; A new year is now upon us. I hope all is good with each of you and your family. My condolences to all those who have lost loved ones and to those who are sick I wish you a speedy recovery. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Klara and I have had a quiet last few months which has been great. We will be doing a little more travelling in the near future, and then getting ready for the Provincial Convention held in Vernon. I hope you make an effort to attend and try and bring a Member who hasn't attended a Provincial Convention before.

Thank you to all you who have supported the Breast Cancer Charity this year. Once again my message is short and sweet.

Fraternally, Renee Paquette, BC Provincial Worthy President, Abbotsford #2726

From BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President, Donna Roach:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Another New Year is upon us, hard to believe there is only four months left in the Fraternal year. Hope you are working hard to achieve your Membership and Charity goals.

I pray that 2018 is a lot kinder to both the Auxiliaries and Aeries. The loss of such beloved Sisters and Brothers who were so devoted to the Eagles and the Eagles are better for their contributions.

Happy Valentine's to all and I wish God's blessing on all of you.

Fraternally With Many Hugs, Donna Roach, BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President, Prince George #3318

*"Here's to the bright New Year; And a fond farewell to the old;
Here's to the things that are yet to come; And to the memories that we hold."*



BRITISH COLUMBIA



THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
PROUDLY SUPPORTS

DAVE SMITH

TO CONTINUE IN THE GRAND AERIE AS A GRAND
OFFICER



From BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Ray Hawksworth:

Happy New Year Brothers and Sisters! As we enter 2018 we are energized to get back to work as “People Helping People”. This is the Fraternal Order of Eagles Motto. This is why we exist and we always have fun doing things for others.

Whether it’s Community Dinners, Music Jams, or Sunday Tea; it’s great to get our Members and friends together and raise funds for charitable causes locally. In cities and towns around British Columbia the Eagles is doing their part to make our Communities better. I know each Aerie and Auxiliary has events on their calendar this spring and will be working hard to keep up the good work. I wish you the best of luck in your efforts. Just remember to smile and have fun.

Fraternally, Ray Hawksworth, BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Victoria #12

From BC Provincial Madam Treasurer, Judy McMillan:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; I hope that all of you had a wonderful Christmas and I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Here in Abbotsford we are getting ready for a busy few months with our Chinese New Year dinner, Joint Visitation and our Spring Fashion Show, just to name a few of the activities the Auxiliary is hard at work planning.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Provincial Board Meeting being held here in Abbotsford in March. Safe travels to all of you who will be on the roads for all of the activities.

Happy Valentine's Day to all and I hope you are going to be able to spend Easter with family and friends.

Fraternally, Judy McMillan, BC Provincial Madam Treasurer, Abbotsford #2726

From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Marilyn Lewis:

To All my Brothers and Sisters, I am happy to say that I haven't been overly busy as Chaplain but sad to make the following announcements. Our condolences go out to Gary Watkins and Family on the passing of Past Provincial Madam President Shirley Hunt.

We have many Brothers and Sisters dealing with many different health issues and I am sending our Best Wishes to them all for a speedy recovery.

Remember if you know of someone that could use a card to cheer them up PLEASE let me know. As I said before I can't send out a card to someone if I don't know they are not well.

Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Campbell River #3097

*“This bright new year is given me; To live each day with zest
To daily grow and try to be; My highest and my best!”*



“Chaplains Corner”



To All Our Sisters And Brothers; Our Condolences go out to Gary Watkins, family and friends on the passing of Past Provincial President Madam President Shirley Hunt; to Provincial Trustee Steve Welcher, his mother Shirley, brother Willy, family and friends on the passing of their father and husband Ron. And to the family, friends and Prince George Aerie and Auxiliary#3318 on the passing of their Charter Member Ken Dawson. They all will be sadly missed. Let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Get Well Wishes go out to Provincial Madam Secretary Joanne Krisko who has not been well. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Now for a bit of news from around the States; Our Condolences go out to the family and friends of PGMP Lorraine Grimes on her passing; and to PGWP Orville J Sonny Crawford his family and friends on the passing of his wife Sue; and to the family and friends on the passing of PGMP Alta Haslow. Let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Get Well Wishes go out to Oregon State President Carl Wilson who has been sick with Bacterial Pneumonia. And to the Patrick the son of PPNWRP Marna Newby who is in the hospital with pneumonia and also has fluid around his heart and lungs. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain

From BC Provincial Worthy Chaplain, Gary McMillan:

Greetings Brothers and Sisters, Condolences being sent to the Welcher family on the passing of Ron Welcher, long time member of New Westminster and Nanaimo. Please keep Shirley and sons Steve and Willy in your thoughts and prayers.

Please advise me as soon as possible of any well wishes, words of encouragement or messages of condolences

that I may not be aware are needed. Your help with this is greatly appreciated. My email address is gary465@shaw.ca but first please ensure that those involved are in agreement with having their situation shared.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and hope that each and every one of you will be able to spend Easter with friends and family.

If you are traveling please take care on the roads and stay safe.

Fraternally, Gary McMillan, BC Provincial Worthy Chaplain, Maple Ridge #2831

From PGO/PPMP Barbara Johnston:

Hi Brothers and Sisters; My sincere sympathy to the Family, Friends and Eagle Brothers and Sisters of Bev Bailey. Bev was looking forward to becoming Provincial Madam President and hopefully some of her plans can come forward in the coming year, in her memory.

To Sister Shirley Welcher her family, friends and Eagle Brothers and Sisters I send my deepest sympathy on the passing of her husband Ron. Ron was a dedicated Eagle who I first met in New Westminster at my Provincial visitation.

Hopefully you have all been safe during the stormy weather of late and take cover for the next blast. Spring can't be too far away.

Continued From PGO/PPMP Barbara Johnston:

My thought and prayers go to Cory and Joanne Krisko may each day bring you health and strength to make a brighter future ahead. Your Eagle Brothers and Sisters are behind you every step of the way.

To everyone I wish you a Happy Valentine Day and Saint Patrick's Day. The following poem fits what we stand for:

Give Lavishly! Live Abundantly!
The more you give, the more you get
The more you laugh, the less you fret
The more you do unselfishly,
The more you live abundantly
The more of everything you share,
The more you'll always have to spare
The more you love, the more you'll find
That life is good and friends are kind

For only WHAT WE GIVE AWAY, ENRICHES US FROM DAY TO DAY

God Bless, Sister Barbara Johnston, PGO/PPMP

From BC Provincial Worthy Secretary, Will Heigh:

Hello Brothers, As we hit the two-thirds mark in the term, we continue to expand our marquee status in our communities and work hard at doing all the things that our good and noble Order contributes to our many charitable causes.

If there any additional suggested changes to the Provincial By-Laws, please forward them to me so I can distribute them to all the Aeries in B.C. six weeks in advance of Convention (in Vernon, in case you forgot).

This term's Cursory Surveys are underway and will be completed in time for the SES (Spring Executive Session, Abbotsford #2726, Saturday, March 24); please remember that we perform these to help Aeries get back on track so that all duties of Aeries Officers are in compliance with our Statutory and Constitutional definitions.

The changes, upgrades and improvements made at the 2017 Grand Convention are further steps to clarify and emphasize the importance of the simple structures the Statutes contain — the amendments made at the last Grand Convention have been forwarded to your Aerie Secretaries and all local Past Presidents and Officers are encouraged to become familiar with these changes.

For those Aeries that have societies in place, please remember that the F.O.E. criteria for societies must be adhered to as stated in the Provincial Aerie By-Laws and in the Statutes of the F.O.E. **All the changes made in the prior years have been rolled into the newest version of the Constitution and Statutes, which are available now from the Grand Aerie Supplies Department.**

For any Aeries that want to host a Convention for 2021 or beyond (2020’s will be held in Cranbrook, by the way), please refer to the Provincial By-Laws for the process.

Until next time, please keep in touch, and if you need help with anything, please don’t hesitate to contact the Provincial Aerie. Here’s to a great finish to the 2017-2018 term for Brother Renee!

Fraternal best wishes; Will Heigh, Secretary, BC Provincial Aerie,
301-33430 Bourquin Place, Abbotsford, BC, V2S 6V8, (604) 852-9183 - wbh@telus.net



FOE Pacific Northwest Mixed Bonspiel

Hello and Merry Christmas, here is just a bit of information about the up and coming Bonspiel in Vernon 2018. Our dates this year are March 16 -18, 2018 which as you all know falls on St Patrick’s Day, so we expect to see a lot of green on Saturday. Our theme this year is “Heroes and Villains” so it should be a lot of fun. There will be prizes for best team and best single costumes.

The entry fee will be \$320.00 which will include the Calcutta, we are going to offer \$20.00 off for early registration, which makes your registration \$300.00, as you all know, the earlier we know how many are coming, the better it is for the host Aerie to organize all that needs to be done. Early registration cut-off will be Jan 31 2018, please make cheques payable to FOE 3557.

We have chosen the Best Western Vernon Lodge for our hotel as it is the most convenient hotel; with all the amenities that you require it is also walking distance to the curling rink. This location also makes it easier for our courtesy drivers. We will block 30 rooms and the cost is

\$99.99 facing outside, and \$104.00 facing inside, plus taxes, the phone number is: toll free, 1-800-663-4422, local 1-250-545-3385 and the email is vernonlodge@prestige-hotels.ca

Our club has a Friday night supper for a cost of \$12.00, and if you could let us know if you are interested our cooks will make a few more suppers so there will be enough for everybody, we also have karaoke.

There will be a dinner and dance on Saturday, as always, with extra tickets available for \$20.00 each, there will also be extra lunch tickets available for Sunday for a cost of \$8.00 each.

A Reminder: that all curlers must be current Eagle Members. Alternating man woman man woman, and if you are short we can supply a lead or second.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again and wish you all a good holiday season

Kent and Brenda Burt

Ph 1-250-309-1659 or 1-250-308-6964

Email: brendaburt@xplornet.ca



Entry Form

Aerie _____

Skip _____

Third _____

Second _____

Lead _____

Extra dinner tickets, _____ @ \$20.00 _____

Extra Lunch tickets, _____ @ \$8.00 _____



From BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Another Holiday Season is behind us and we are now back to a slower pace of life. Everyone is now getting ready for their Zone Conferences I hope all are well attended.

As all of you know we recently said good bye to my dear friend Provincial Madam Vice President /President Elect Bev Bailey. Our ritual was very important to Bev and I am asking every Auxiliary to consider having at least one Team to compete either at Zone or Convention next year in her honor. This gives us lots of time to prepare. This would not only honor her but perhaps rekindle an interest in what truly is the backbone of our organization.

To all who have lost loved ones I keep you in my thoughts and prayers. To those of you that are ill and those who are fighting the fight of your life I send you many healing hugs and prayers.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you in Abbotsford in March. Safe travels to all.

Yours in Sisterhood, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Cranbrook #3032

From BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Joanne Mallett:

Greetings from snowy Balfour! My back, legs and arms are getting quite a workout this season. There are plenty of others doing the same, I'm sure. For those sisters and Brothers at the coasts in the rain: I hope you are still above the waterline.

We have lost many hard working Eagles this season, but let us lean on one another and keep up our helping ways in their honour. My condolences to all suffering loss and my prayers are being sent for all those who are ill or have sick family members. My spirit is with all of you, even when I am unable to be there in person.

I am already looking forward to Spring and getting out and about again. See you all at the Executive Meeting in March. Safe travels

Fraternally, Joanne Mallett, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Nelson #22

From BC Provincial Worthy Inside Guard, Joey La Saga:

"Greetings Fellow Eagles, On behalf of Ladysmith #2101 and myself; Provincial Inside Guard Joseph Lasaga, we would like to wish all of our Brothers and Sisters a safe, and prosperous Happy 2018. May all your goals and dreams become true, and never falter from life's many obstacles!"

We also send our condolences to all that have lost loved ones; you are in our thoughts and prayers. To those who are sick we wish you all a speedy recovery.

Fraternally, Joseph Lasaga, BC Provincial Worthy Inside Guard, Ladysmith #2101

From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Barb Calve':

Happy New Years Sisters and Brothers; It's been a tough start for the New Year with the funerals that we have had and having. My condolences go out to all the family and clubs of each and all these Members.

The snow is holding back in the Lower Mainland, I hope that everyone else is coping okay with the whiter weather that they are facing. Safe travels for all.

I look forward to getting together for the Lower Mainland and Island Zone Conferences and seeing old friends. See you all soon!

Fraternally, Barb Calve', BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Victoria #12

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CAMPBELL RIVER #3097
KIDNEY CANCER



Pictures left to right are; Kidney Cancer Representative Stephen Andrew, Fund Raising Chairpersons Debi Muir, Marlene Jordan and Dot Muir and Aerie President Hector Dubois. Campbell River Auxiliary held different events and raised \$5,000.00 to go towards Kidney Cancer Research. They were able to turn their donation of \$5,000.00 into \$10,000 with the Kidney Foundation matching Grant Program. You too can help by going to <http://bit.ly/2rnTqGlpic.twitter.com/kszhBJs701>

Well done Campbell River #3097 you truly are “People Helping People”.

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Bobbi Williamson:

My Brothers and Sisters; I hope everyone had a joyous Holiday Season. I for one am looking forward to the New Year and all the adventures it will send my way.

I would like to thank everyone who sent me cards and phoned during Past Provincial Madam President Shirley Hunt’s recent illness and passing. The cards and calls seem to come just as I needed a boost. I cannot express how much it uplifted me to continue on.

On a lighter note, here on the Island it is beginning to look like Spring is not far off. I am looking forward to visiting Abbotsford in March for the Provincial Executive Meeting. These meetings are always refreshing. My Prayers go out to Sister Joanne and her family.

Fraternally, Bobbi Williamson, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Ladysmith #2101

Lower Mainland Zone Conference

February 17 ~ 18, 2018

Eagles Hall, Hope, BC

*Join us for a weekend of good old-fashioned
Eagle friendship and fun*

Ritual competitions
Aerie - Auxiliary Meetings
Workshops
Memorial Service
Saturday Night Banquet
Live Band

Accommodations:

Park Motel

Hope City Centre Motel

832 - 4th Ave

455 Wallace Street

Hope, BC

Hope, BC

1-888-531-9933

604-869-5500

Best Continental Motel

Windsor Motel

860 Fraser Avenue

788 - 3rd Avenue

Hope, BC

Hope, BC

604-869-9726

604-869-9944





LOWER MAINLAND ZONE CONFERENCE
February 17 and 18, 2018
PROPOSED AGENDA

Saturday, February 17, 2018

- 6:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. - Aerie Ritual Competitions
 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Registration
 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - Aerie and Workshop Concerns
 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Break
 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 - Eagle Communications
 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - Lunch \$7.00/person
 1:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Workshops
 1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. - Break
 1:45 p.m. - 2:30 - Workshop
 2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Break
 2:45 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Key Note Speaker Andrew Thompson
 3:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - Break
 3:45 p.m. - 4:15p.m. - Special Charity Speaker Barbara Bell
 5:00 p.m. - Cocktails
 5:30 p.m. – Banquet - \$20.00 person
 Followed by Live Entertainment, Live Band

Sunday, February 18, 2018

- 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast \$7.00/person
 9:00 a.m. - LMZC Memorial Service (by Maple Ridge 2831)
 10:15 a.m. - 11:00a.m. - Auxiliary Meeting - Large Hall
 Aerie Meeting - Small Hall
 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. - Break
 11:15 a.m. - 12:00 - Joint Aerie and Auxiliary Meeting
 Noon - Adjournment
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From BC Provincial Worthy Trustee, Rick Bumby:

My Brothers and Sisters; I would like to wish everybody a happy New Year. Hope everyone had a good Christmas and saved many memories. Now we start looking forward to what a New Year brings. We can start by getting ready for Spring and our next Executive meeting in March. It will be great to see all the Brothers and Sisters again.

As Worthy Chaplain of Penticton #4281 and also Chairman of Sick and Visiting; I had the privilege to meet a terminally ill member; this was a very moving experience as he was in the process of getting everything in order for his spouse; he was in great spirits with a smile on his face, even told a couple of jokes. I left later with great respect for him knowing he had accepted his time with a smile on his face.

Hope to see everybody in March.
Fraternally, Rick Bumby, BC Provincial Worthy Trustee, Penticton #4281

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Faye Cook:

Happy New Year to all my Eagle Brothers and Sisters! I hope this year will be a happy, healthy and successful year.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Executive Meeting in March or the Convention in Abbotsford.

Fraternally, Faye Cook, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Trail #2838

From BC Provincial Worthy Trustee, Dan Miner:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; I've been plugging away at the new Provincial Website and it's now live! If you navigate over to bcfoe.com just like you used to it now takes you over to the new Provincial Website.

Not only does it have a more modern look and resizes automatically to accommodate different size devices like phones and tablets, but it also gives us a framework for doing other interesting things; such as a shared events calendar for all Aeries and Auxiliaries.

It also provides a more familiar method of changing and adding content to the Website so that Aeries and Auxiliaries will hopefully be able to have good looking Websites without having to have a web-guru volunteer to be able to change things.

At the Lower Mainland Zone Conference, I'm going to run a seminar on the backbone of the new Website (built on Word Press) and how to navigate around and create content. I hope that I'll see many of you there. If all goes well there, I may run a similar seminar at the next Executive Meeting, so be sure to send a few delegates over to check it out!

Fraternally Yours, Dan Miner, BC Provincial Worthy Trustee, North-West #2638

"A New Year is unfolding, like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within. Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good; with the comfort of warmth in our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others. As we make our Resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible, with your help and guidance."

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Louise Alexander:

Dear Brothers and Sisters; Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday and were able to spend time with family and friends.

January has been a very sad month for the Members of the Auxiliary as we have had to say good-bye to two of our Members. A memorial service was held on January 7th in Ladysmith for Past Provincial Madam President Shirley Hunt and another memorial service was held in Vancouver on January 13th for Provincial Madam Vice-President/President Elect Bev Bailey. Both of these ladies were a large part of our organization and will be sadly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families as well as the Auxiliaries of both these lovely ladies. R.I.P. Shirley and Bev!

With a new year upon us we must all work hard to try to increase our Membership as well as organize some fund-raising events to raise donations for the many charities that count on the Eagles for support. Abbotsford Auxiliary has a Chinese Dinner coming up on February 9th as well as a Ladies Fashion Show to be held on April 14th. These are a couple of events already on our calendar and we are looking at other fund-raising ideas as well in the next few months.

Abbotsford Auxiliary is having their 51st Anniversary Meeting on January 23rd. So many changes have taken place over the years and the ceremony honours all the Past Presidents - both those still with us and those who have passed on. It is a bitter-sweet time for us as we remember all the work that those members contributed to our club to allow it to function for all these years.

Hopefully everyone is well and managing to avoid the nasty flu bug that is circulating throughout our Province. We hope to see a lot of you both at our Lower-Mainland Zone meetings in Hope on February 17th and 18th as well as here in Abbotsford at our Provincial Executive Meeting as well as our Joint Visitation to be held on March 24th. If you have time, please stay and join us for the Abbotsford Aerie and Auxiliary's memorial service to be held on Sunday March 25th.

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

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Gail McDonald:

My Brothers and Sisters; I would like to wish all my Sisters and Brothers a happy Valentine's Day.

I am looking forward to our Island Zone Conference this coming March; looking forward to seeing everyone. Then it will off to the March Executive Meeting in Abbotsford.

Please be safe in your travels.

Fraternally, Gail McDonald, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Duncan #2546

A Scottish Toast

*May the best ye've ever seen; Be the worst ye'll ever see,
May a moose ne'er leave yer girmal; Wi 'a tear drap in his eye.
May ye aye keep hale and he'rty; Till ye're auld enough tae dee
May ye aye be juist as happy; As I wish ye aye to be.*



Campbell River Auxiliary and Aerie Pin Presentations



Pictured left to right, Auxiliary Madam President Jackie presenting PGO/PPMP Barbara Johnston her 50 year pin and PPM Julia Warkentin her 55 year pin. Aerie President Hector Dubois presenting Roy Anderson with his 55 year pin accompanied by Larce Kermode

From BC Provincial Auxiliary Heart Chairman, Lisa Kennelly:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; This year I have been asked by Provincial Madam President Klara to be the Heart Charity Chairman for this term.

So if you are having an event or fundraiser for Heart; would you **PLEASE** let me know what type of a function you had and the amount raised because the PNWR Heart Charity Chairman needs me to report them to her so she can report it to Grand. The end of February and the end of May are when I need to report them to her. Brother's you can let me know too.

The money doesn't have to be sent to Grand. This is so they can have a report what we are doing. My contact information is below. Thank You.

Fraternally, Lisa Kennelly, BC Provincial Heart Chairman, Cranbrook #3032
l_kennelly82@yahoo.ca
250-489-3077



From BC Provincial Hall of Fame Chairmen, PPNWRP Geoff Middlehurst:



Hello my Brothers; Convention is fast approaching and we just want to let everyone know that the BC Hall of Fame Committee are still looking for Nominations for the BC Hall of Fame in both Categories for LIVING and DECEASED.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS APRIL 15th, 2018. ALL RESUMES SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO GEOFF MIDDLEHURST AT: E-MAIL: geoffm11@telus.net

Fraternally Yours, Geoff Middlehurst, PPNWR/PPWP

From BC Provincial Membership Secretary, Will Heigh:

Hello again, Brothers; Our progress in Membership this year shows on the Toteboard on the next page. All but five of Aeries in our Province have signed up at least one New or Re-enrolled Member this term. As we have a new, non-quota Membership goal this term, based instead on Aeries becoming **Net Gain + 2%** Aeries instead, our margins of success will be recorded as being lower this year – and years in the future – until all Aeries take their Membership rosters seriously and make concerted efforts to maintain their roster counts, year-after-year.

PPWP Kit Chamberland is on top of our prize package this year, and prizes continue to be issued as the term progresses. This is at the very core of every Aerie’s survival because with more members, we have more people to get involved at our Aeries and who contribute to our revenue and the success of our events. Our Bank Accounts prosper; our Charity donations increase and we live to fly another year.

Thank you for your contributions to Membership this year – remember, we all owe at least one new or re-enrolled member to our Aerie’s roster each year we are a member of our Order.

Until next time, be good to each other, and sign some members up to help Provincial President Renee bring in the Membership numbers this year. Congratulations to Rossland #10, Victoria #12, Nanaimo #15 and Penticton #4281 for reaching their **Net Gain + 2%** status already. That’s four down and 17 Aeries to go. If they can do it, you can too!

Fondest fraternal regards, Will

From PPNWRP/PPMP Helen Little:

Dear Sisters and Brothers: A Happy New Year to all. It's been a very trying time in our Provincial Auxiliaries these past few months. Let’s try and stand together. If we listen to the beautiful words in our Ritual we won't go wrong. Pay attention to the words and try and live each day in peace and Harmony

Fraternally, Helen Little, Past Regional President/PPMP



BC Membership in 2017-18

February 4, 2018		YTD		TTD	FEB				
BRITISH COLUMBIA		N	R		N	R	NG2	VAR	% of NG2
*	10 ROSSLAND	7	9	16			14	2	114.29
	12 VICTORIA	17	2	19			11	8	172.73
	15 NANAIMO	5	1	6			3	3	200.00
	20 NEW WESTMINSTER	1	0	1			3	-2	33.33
	22 NELSON	4	1	5			10	-5	50.00
	1864 MICHEL	0	0	0			10	-10	0.00
	2075 VANCOUVER	0	1	1			3	-2	33.33
	2096 PORT ALBERNI	2	8	10			12	-2	83.33
	2101 LADYSMITH	11	16	27			31	-4	87.10
*	2546 DUNCAN	21	7	28			30	-2	93.33
	2638 NORTH-WEST	6	6	12			21	-9	57.14
	2690 HOPE	9	2	11			35	-24	31.43
*	2726 ABBOTSFORD	10	8	18			49	-31	36.73
	2831 MAPLE RIDGE	4	0	4			7	-3	57.14
	2838 TRAIL	0	0	0			7	-7	0.00
	3032 CRANBROOK	5	9	14			21	-7	66.67
	3097 CAMPBELL RIVER	11	6	17			36	-19	47.22
	3318 PRINCE GEORGE	0	0	0			2	-2	0.00
	3453 KAMLOOPS	7	9	16			25	-9	64.00
	3557 VERNON	6	4	10			17	-7	58.82
	3922 PARKSVILLE	0	0	0			8	-8	0.00
*	4281 PENTICTON	25	4	29			18	11	161.11
	4400 CHEMAINUS	0	0	0			6	-6	0.00
TOTALS		151	93	244	0	0	379	-135	64.38%
ZONE BREAKDOWN		ZT	ZQ	VAR					-75 over last term 319
Island 6/8		107	137	-30					
Lower Mainland 6/6		47	118	-71					
Interior 3/4		55	62	-7					
Kootenays 3/5		35	62	-27					
TOTAL 18/23		244	379	-135					

* ZONE LEADERS

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 Sec. Will Heigh at 604-852-9183 or wbh@telus.net

NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES AND AERIES:

ABBOTSFORD #2726:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; The Abbotsford Auxiliary has now changed their meeting start time to 7:00 p.m. every 2nd and 4th Tuesday with the approval of a Bylaw change.

February 9th, 2018 is a Chinese Dinner at 6:30, put on by the Auxiliary cost of \$15.00 each and you can get tickets at the bar. The net proceeds will be sent to Cory and Joanne Krisko to help with their needs. Come join us, have dinner and then dance to live music next door in the lounge from 8:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Lower Mainland Zone Conference is Feb 17-18, 2018 in Hope put on by New Westminster Aerie and Auxiliary. March brings the Executive meeting March 24, 2018 with Provincial Presidents visit combined with Abbotsford Lower Mainland visitation, come join us for dinner and an evening of friendship.

Sunday, March 25, 2018 is our own Memorial Ceremony honouring our own members that have passed away this past year. April 7, 2018 is a dance for Breast Cancer to benefit the Provincial Presidents charity.

Happy Easter!!! Take care and stay safe
Fraternally, Carol Edgington, Secretary

CAMPBELL RIVER #3097:

HAPPY NEW YEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS; After a very busy December we had a couple of slow weeks but now everything is getting back to normal. On January 20th we held our 66th Anniversary with a Joint dinner and Dance with the Aerie. Year Pins were handed out but we had the honor of giving Barbara Johnston her 50 year pin and Julia Warkentin her 55 year pin. We are so lucky to have these long time members belong to our Auxiliary.

Our Past Presidents have started to practice as they will be putting a team into Ritual Competitions in March. As we all know the Ritual is very important; so hope to see more teams competing against us this year.

On February 24th we will be having the GREAT ITALIAN COOK OFF, The North Against the South. This should be a great fun filled night as we have our Italian Brothers and Sisters going against each other. (I feel sorry for the ones that are married to one another this could turn ugly). Any profit made from this will be going to Heart and Stroke. Everyone is welcome to attend.

We extend our Sympathy to Ladysmith Auxiliary on the passing of Past Provincial Madam President Shirley Hunt. Shirley was very special to Campbell River as there was never an event put on that Shirley wouldn't try and attend. She will be missed by many.

I look forward to seeing you all at the March Executive Meeting, Take Care and stay Healthy
Fraternally yours, Marilyn Lewis, Secretary, Campbell River #3097

DUNCAN #2546:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas Season. Our Joint Christmas Dinner went very well we served about 100 people and everyone enjoyed the friendship of our Brothers and Sisters.

We have a Joint meeting with our Aerie, this month to start planning the spring events. Look forward to going to the Island Zone in March, always a good time to come together with our Sisters and Brothers.

Hoping this finds everyone well. The Sister and Brothers that have being ill wishing you a speedy recovery.
Fraternally, Fran Ryan, Secretary, Duncan #2546

HOPE #2690:

Hope Aerie 2690 Sends Happy New Year's Greetings to all from Hope Aerie 2690. A feeling of sadness is in the air. Our 2690 Charter has been draped more than not! It seems that across the Province our Eagle Families have been hit extra hard the past few months with Brothers and Sisters passing and others been extremely ill. Our hearts and prayers go out to them and their families. We will hope the New Year will bring good things to all.

Hope is looking forward to this year's visitations and working hard getting ready for this year's Zone Conference. New Westminster is hosting this event in Hope and the Aerie is working with them to make it a great success. They have requested live music this year so we have arranged for a very good local band, should be a wonderful Zone Conference, and I urge you all to attend. It will be good to see old friends, but I think every Aerie should send at least one or two eagles that have never been to a Zone Conference. It is like a small convention to get them comfortable, so they may attend there Convention in June. I think these Conventions and Zone Conferences and similar events are the fun rewarding the hard work all of us Volunteers have done every day. Come to one or all of these events, witness first-hand the business, the education and the fun that makes you proud to be an Eagle.

Christmas was a busy time with a dinner for the Community feeding approximately 140 plus, as well the Kids Christmas party that was well attended. Thank you to all the Volunteers from our Aerie and Auxiliary that make these events fantastic. Still a popular is the first and third Friday dinners and the Sunday meat draw combined with the new Wing Night doing very well.

The Wing Night is put on by my new Convention Committee. This new Convention Committee is to raise funds earmarked for sending members to Convention that have never been to one. Their wings have been rated as the best in Hope, hands down on the internet. The members of this committee are very dependable and the Aerie 2690 thanks them so much. All Aeries need more of these kind of members, they make all Eagles proud.

Wednesday night starting at 6:00 we have Line Dancing lessons in the lounge and all are members and guests are welcome, as well it is open to the public. So come join us and have a little fun. We are looking at having Darts after the Line Dancing so if anyone is interested drop in and talk to us.

Thursday nights we have Internet Bingo in the lounge, starting at 6:00. We seem to have a good share of winners that become noisy for a while after the win. All are welcome to join in on the fun, Bingo cards are sold at the lounge until they are picked up after 5:00

Bingo still every Friday and Monday, great as usual, many thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for all the help making Bingo a success. The last Sunday of each month, the Auxiliary have Breakfast starting at 8:00, lunch and a flea market. This is well attended starting with breakfast and continuing for the day. Once again thank you Ladies Auxiliary 2690 for helping grow the charity money to the community.

We are always in search of Volunteers the help with our activities and they do not necessarily have to be a member at the time, it depends on the task being done. E.g. Bingo is always looking for help. If you have a little time to spare let us know and we will try to accommodate you time. Every little bit helps. If they cannot find a place for your time, please contact me I will do my best.

Our lounge is still on winter hours opening by 3:00 and closing some time after 7:00, if the patrons depart. Sunday's we open at 2:00 with the meat draw, and we are closed on Tuesdays. If you are having a function the lounge could move or extend their hours on your request, within the license, give us a call. Please do drop in for a visit to any of our functions or the lounge and enjoy the Hope aeries atmosphere.

This short discussion came to our Aerie meeting: be kind, polite and considerate to each other.

Continued From HOPE #2690:

Always remember your Obligation. But important as well remember, if you need help be careful how you ask, do not take volunteers for granted. "Don, help me move these chairs!" Always use: could you, would you, please, and thank you. These word of wisdom came to our Aerie meeting from a senior member and I am proud to pass them on.

I want to take this opportunity to thanks all my Officers and Members that try to help me keep the peace and harmony in our great Aerie. And special thanks to the Volunteer that puts the most time in for the Aerie Brother ED our "Bar Trustee"! And of course the Membership that helps support the Aerie and its function's, thank you all. As well thank you to any people that I have missed.

The 2690 Eagles are looking to increase our membership with good moral charter persons; if you or someone you know that hold these qualifications and wants to be a part of this great origination as it is giving back to our community, please contact me or any member to get pointed in the right direction.

I also urge the 2690 members to attend meetings, see what is being done; help us make the right decisions. Meeting nights are first and third Tuesday of each month starting at 7:30 pm. Come a little early, get a good set, we need to hear your opinions. After all these are meetings are for you not just the officers.

Ha- Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarfs are not Happy
PS: When you are an Eagle you have friends close by.

WP/PWP/WPT, Larry Kellum

LADYSMITH #2101:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; With Christmas behind us, and much needed time off to relax and refresh, Ladysmith is jumping in with both feet. We made our first Meat Pies of 2018 with over 50 helpers from the Aerie and Auxiliary making more than 1,000 pies over three days.

We have several plans for the next few months. We are looking into a Dinner Theatre Night with a local semi professional theatrical troupe. Our Annual Rummage Sale is on April 7th, followed by our Joint Memorial on April 8th. The Membership Committee from the Aerie and Auxiliary are working together organizing a Membership Drive on April 14th. The tentative plans are wine and beer tasting.

Our Mothers Day Tea, which is always well attended; is on Saturday, May 12th at 1:00 pm. If you are on the Island, check us out. We have fancy sandwiches, and tea. There are door prizes, raffle table and our big raffle (the tickets will be on sale soon). This is also when we donate the bulk of our money to charity. In May, a joint Golf Tourney and beer and burger night is planned for the members and Joint Installation of Officers on May 26th.

Yours Fraternaly, Bobbi Williamson, Secretary, Ladysmith Auxiliary #2101

MAPLE RIDGE AUXILIARY #2831:

Hello Sisters and Brothers, Please note that the Maple Ridge Ladies Auxiliary now has an E-mail address that you all can send your news and notices to. The new e-mail address is: Foe22831aux@gmail.com

Fraternaly, Barb Calve, Secretary, Maple Ridge Auxiliary #2831



NELSON #22:

Happy New Year to all our Eagle Brothers and Sisters and their families; we send Best Wishes to all for a prosperous, Healthy and Happy Season 2018

We have just convened The Robbie Burns Night banquet our Auxiliary has catered to this event for over 50 years at the Eagles Hall. It is always a wonderful Happy event.

We want to send our deepest Sympathy and Prayers to all our Eagle Members, Officers and their families in the sad loss of so many close to all of us. To all our Sisters and brothers struggling with any illness, Please know we send our prayers and well wishes for a speedy recovery.

Take care,
Best Wishes from all the Sisters and Brothers in Nelson Aerie and Auxiliary #22

NEW WESTMINSTER #20:

The Brothers and Sisters of New Westminster #20 extend heartfelt sympathy to those who have lost family, friends and colleagues: the last few months have affected many throughout the Eagle Community. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

We look forward to seeing Brothers and Sisters at the Lower Mainland Zone Conference being held in Hope February 17-18th. Keep safe, and enjoy the first signs of spring which is just around the corner.

Fraternally, the Brothers and Sisters of New Westminster #20
foe20aux@gmail.com

PRINCE GEORGE #3318:

Hello from Prince George #3318; We are continuing to have our Pancake Breakfasts the second and fourth Sundays each month. Depending on the weather we can have upwards to 150 attend but never dropping below 115.

On the fourth Sunday in conjunction with our Pancake Breakfasts the Auxiliary is holding a Bake Sale for the Charities. March 3rd will see the 50/60/70 dance at our Hall, this is the first dance in a very long time and we hope it leads to many more.

The Aerie lost one of its Charter Members Brother Ken Dawson on January 16th, 2018 at the age of 94.

Fraternally, Donna Roach/Madam Secretary Prince George #3318

TRAIL # 2838:

Hello Sisters and Brothers: The Trail Auxiliary hopes that you all had a fantastic Holiday Season. With the start of the New Year, it is back to planning functions to raise funds for all our Charities.

The Trail Sisters are still working on their "Foot of Quarters" for the DRC. We are still doing the "People Helping Pantries" Project for every Holiday throughout the year; with all the food, clothing and footwear going to the Trail United Church Food Bank.

We would like to wish all our Sisters and Brothers a wonderful New Year and a Happy Valentine's Day.
Fraternally, Joan Klit, Secretary, Trail #2838

VERNON #3557:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; We had a joint meeting on Jan 29th, to discuss décor for the upcoming Convention, as our old Building is showing its age. But some novel ideas were forthcoming. Our Convention Planning meeting is Feb 8th, and we should have our package finalized for mailing.

A lot of our members have been on Mexico vacations, so not a lot has happened. Although our Provincial Madam President, Klara, would not agree as she has been kept busy with all the happenings at Provincial.

Klara treated me to a home cooked Turkey dinner in La Pineda, which was wonderful as usual. We also got together for a BBQ at my daughters little Hotel in Las Ayalas. Not too happy to be back in the "snow".

Our members are planning a Bonspiel, and are looking for participants. If interested contact our office: foe#3557@shaw.ca. Any questions about the Convention, you can contact me at: rosalierenroute@hotmail.com.



Pictured in Mexico are; Auxiliary members Michelle and Lori on left, Klara and Kurt, Gordie, who helps at Banquets.

See you all soon. Rosalie

VICTORIA #12:

Hello from the Island: Wishing everyone in good health. We had a fabulous day on Sunday January 28th at our Jam Session and Meat Draw. There were so many entertaining type people to play for us.

Brunches are going okay. We wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day and a Happy St. Patrick's Day. We send out wishes to anyone who has been sick and Condolences to anyone who has lost a friend or family member.

Cheers, Patti Robinson, Secretary, Victoria #12



From Echo Chairman Joan Klit:

Hello my Sisters and Brothers; There will be two more issues of the Echo Bulletin for this term. We hope that we will hear from all of the Auxiliaries and Aeries in the Province.

Please remember that this is one of the best ways to keep the line of Communications open between all of us in the Province.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR ALL:

The following is the Scheduled Deadline Dates for the Echo Bulletin; March 30th and the last one for the term is May 5th. I will also send reminders out regarding the next issue of the Echo so that everyone knows that the deadline date is approaching.

Please remember this is the last day you can send or e-mail your information to the Echo Chairman at: Address: Joan Klit, 275 -2nd Ave, Trail, BC V1R 4V3, E-mail: jjklit@shaw.ca

If any Sister or Brother would like to have the Echo e-mailed directly to them please send a message requesting the Echo be sent to you along with your e-mail address.

*~ Here's to the New Year ~
May it bring more joy and success
And less grief and regret*

*~ To Our Dreams ~
May we never stop believing in them;
And taking the actions that will make them a reality*

*~ To Our Friends, Loved Ones, Associates Or Colleagues ~
May we take the time to let them know how much it means to us;
To have them in our lives
Let us encourage more and criticize less, Give more and need less.
And whenever we can, Let us create harmony and peace.*

*~ To New Beginnings ~
Let us start fresh, right now,
To make this the very best year ever.*

A very Happy New Year to all of us!

