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BC Provincial Echo



August, 2020



Whisk Them In For Welcher



Hatch A Member For The FOE

The Province Of British Columbia
Aeries And Auxiliaries
Proudly Send Our Congratulations
To
Grand Worthy President
Dave Smith



From BC Provincial Worthy President, Steve Welcher:

Hello Brothers and Sisters; It is a great privilege and honor to be the 2020-2021 Provincial Worthy President. This term will be a challenging and an exciting year for me. My charity this year is the B.C. Lung in memory of my dad; Brother Ron Welcher.

My congratulations go out to one of our very own Grand Worthy President Dave Smith. It was an honour to be there when he was installed as our Grand Aerie President; and a privilege to carry our flag in the installation ceremony.

At this time I like to introduce my Provincial Parents Gerry Liu and Linda Vipond both have had a lot of Influences to me starting in New Westminster. I am honored that they are my parents. Also I have asked Cory Krisko to be the Trustee at Large his knowledge experience and friendship will make him a great Trustee at Large, he proudly accepted.

Provincial Madam President Nancy and I will be starting our Joint Visitations on Vancouver Island on September 12th, in Port Alberni. The Executive Meeting will be held in two places to be safe for Co-vid 19 rules. Secretaries of Vancouver Island, I will be contacting you in the next few days. We do realise that Co-vid 19 has changed all visiting will be limited and that is fine. The Island Dates in September are; Port Alberni 12th, Parksville 13th, Nanaimo 14th, Campbell River 15th, Ladysmith 16th, Duncan 17th, and Victoria 18th. We are hoping to meet as many Members that Co-vid will allow in you Aerie.

In closing remember to attend meetings when you can and bring in new Members. And don't forget to wash your hands. And as Dr Henry tells us "Be Kind, Be Calm and Be Safe.

Hope to see you down the Aerie trail

Fraternally, Steve Welcher, BC Provincial Worthy President

From BC Provincial Madam President, Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Welcome to another amazing year with the FOE. Although we got off to a somewhat shaky start I'm sure we will all manage to do great things. To all the Officers, Local and Provincial, new and old welcome. You are the thread that holds our Membership together.

I would like to wish huge congratulations to our Grand Worthy President Dave Smith. I would also like to wish special congratulations to Past Provincial President Helen Little on being named Grand Aerie and Auxiliary Mother; and Past Provincial Honorary President John Klit on being named Grand Aerie Father. What a great honour.

Worthy Provincial President Steve and I will be starting our visitations on the Island in September. I am looking forward to seeing many of you then. I am also looking forward to seeing a lot of you at our Fall Executive Meeting on September 11th and 12th in Port Alberni.

Until then please remember to be safe and social distance. Hopefully this will help us return to some sense of normality sooner than later.

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



From Grand Aerie President Elect, Dave Smith:

Hello My Brothers and My Sisters: I wish to Thank all the Brothers and Sisters of British Columbia for their support in my endeavors to continue as a Grand Aerie Officer, without your continuing support I would not have attained this great honour. I will do my best to address the unique circumstances that our Aeries north of the U.S. border encounter and will continue to do my best for the Province and the Fraternal Order of Eagles as a whole.

I would like to say a big “Thank You” to all the Brothers and Sisters from the Pacific Northwest who attended the International Convention in Sparks, Reno. And for all the work you did helping with the Pacific Northwest Reception Room. We all had a great time.

I am so sorry that only a few from British Columbia could make it to the Grand Convention; I really missed you all and I am cussing this Covid-19.

Unfortunately I will miss the next BC Provincial Officers Meeting in September as I will be away on visitations.

I hope to see everyone somewhere on the Eagle Trail. You all take care and have a wonderful summer. Be safe and stay healthy.

Fraternally Yours, Dave Smith, Grand Worthy President, Rossland #10/Penticton #4281

From PGO, Barbara Johnston:

Hello to all the Eagle Sisters and Brothers, Congratulations to our very own Brother Dave Smith becoming Grand Worthy President. Wish I could have been there for the Installation. It is a great honor for British Columbia.

Congratulations to Provincial Aerie President Steve Welcher and his Provincial Officers. Congratulations to Provincial Madam President Nancy Van Oosten and her Provincial Officers. It was a privilege to have been able to install the Provincial Auxiliary Officers over Zoom.

Times have been challenging for all of us but we will succeed and be stronger than ever. To all the Aerie and Auxiliary Officers for the 2020-2021 all the very best and as Dr. Henry says, “Be Strong, Be Brave and Be Kind”. The Eagles Sisters and Brothers will keep doing what we have always done working together making a better world for all of us to live together.

God Bless Everyone and see you in the near future.
Sister Barbara Johnston, PPMP, PGO



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To
Grand Aerie Mother And Father
Helen Little And John Klit



From BC Jr. Past Provincial Madam President, Marilyn Lewis:

Hi Brothers and Sisters; Hope everyone is keeping well under these uncertain times. Missed seeing everyone at the Convention this year but we all know that the health of our Members was so much more important than the Convention. Things are starting to open up a little at a time so looking forward to maybe being able to get out and do a bit more visiting with our Brothers and Sisters.

I want to extend my congratulations to all of the New Aerie and Auxiliary Provincial Officers. Hoping that before long things will start to ease up a bit so we can try to get back to some kind of normal. We don't know what normal is going to look like but together we will get through this crisis.

I sent my best wishes and Congratulations to Brother Dave Smith on being Installed as Grand Worthy President. Wish we could have all been there for you Dave but you know we were all with you just not in person. Wishing you well as you start your travels. Stay safe.

Wishing anyone who has been under the weather Get Well wishes and a speedy recovery and to those who have lost a loved one or a friend I send my deepest Sympathy

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Executive Meeting in September.
Until then remember to Be kind, Be Calm and Be safe

Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, Jr Past Provincial Madam President, Campbell River #3097

From BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Joanne Mallett:

Hello Brothers and Sisters, Greetings from my home in Balfour, B.C. This has been a truly different start to our year.

I was "Zoomed" Installed as your Vice President - President Elect in July by PPMP Barbara Johnson. I invited Sister Carolyn Hrabb to join me for this important ceremony, as she would have been at Convention. I am getting my head around all the things I must do for this year and next.

I wish Provincial Madam President Nancy a successful healthy year. I will do all I can toward that end. To all my fellow Provincial Officers and Sisters in all Auxiliaries, please stay safe and healthy.

I am starting my time in a very bulky and HOT sling following shoulder surgery. I'm glad the weather is nice, but boy six weeks seems like forever to me right now! I will adapt and overcome (is there any other choice?). Everything takes extra time to complete and I must ask for help with some things...hard for me, but a lesson that we are stronger in a team.

I am looking forward to seeing some of you in the fall. Enjoy the rest of summer.
Fraternally Yours, Joanne Mallett, BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Nelson #22

From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Barb Calve`:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; If your hear of someone that you think may need a card to cheer them up either because they are sick or just need a hug or just dealing with life itself **PLEASE** let me know at barbielax18@gmail.com I can't send out cards if I don't know about these people.

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

Fraternally Yours, Barb Calve`, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Victoria #12



“Chaplain’s Corner”



To all my Sisters and Brothers: Our Condolences go out to the Family, Maple Ridge Aerie #2831 and friends of Alister (Al) Herd on his passing, to Past Provincial President Ethel Kothlow and family on the passing of her two sisters. And to Past Provincial Mother Gloria Finstad, her Sister Shirley and family on the passing of her brother –in-law Gerry. They all will be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes go out to Provincial Madam Vice President Joanne Mallett who had surgery on her shoulder and to PPMP Charlotte Bond who is still in the hospital following her back surgery. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Now for a bit of news from around the States: Our Condolences go out to PSP Brother Don Slade, family and friends on the passing of his sister Betty Lou; and to PSP Sister Sharon Hayes, family and friends on the passing of Darrold. And to Donna Dunning, Washington State Cancer Chairman, family and friends on the unexpected passing of her daughter. PSP Sister Sharon Hayes has lost her Darrold. He has been dealing with several health issues over the past three weeks and his body just couldn't take any more. They all will be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes go out to PSP Kay Berquist was back to making visits to the hospital due to extreme low oxygen levels. To Sister Diana Reyes who had eye surgery on both eyes, both were 100% successful. Deb Bevier had a big setback and was back in the hospital. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Remember if you hear of someone that you think may need a card to cheer them up either because they are sick or just dealing with life itself **PLEASE** let me know at barbielax18@gmail.com I can't send out cards if I don't know about people.

Fraternally Yours, Barb Calve`, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Victoria #12

From BC Provincial Madam Secretary, Joan Klit:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Congratulations to Provincial Madam President Nancy and Provincial Worthy President Steve and all of the Provincial Officers, wish you all a very successful year. Congratulations to Jr. Past Provincial Madam President Marilyn for a very successful year under these unfortunate circumstances. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

I want to say “Thank You” to Trail Auxiliary #2838 for your support and to all my Sisters in the Province for your confidence in me!

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Grand Madam President Jacque Marble will be attending the Pacific Northwest Regional Conference in October. Due to the Corona Virus she will just attend the Regional Conference instead of visiting each State/Province in our Region for her visits.

“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.

Fraternally Yours, Joan Klit, BC Provincial Madam Secretary, Trail #2838



F.O.E. EAGLE RIDERS 3097 CAMPBELL RIVER

Hello Brothers and Sisters; Just a quick update on what's happening for Eagle Riders Campbell River. This riding season started off as you expect with the Co-vid 19, not very good. Lots of communities didn't want any kind of visitors at all as you well know. In the last few weeks we've managed to get out just about every weekend to area's that are slowly opening up to visitors. You can follow our travels on Facebook.

On the exciting part of our news, there are eight of us traveling throughout B.C. with the MPNMR, Military Police National Motorcycle Relay. This was to be a National ride but because of co-vid 19 it will be Provincial Regions only for this year. We are leaving on July 25th to parts unknown in our Province, only the Executive knows where we are going, but I know that we will be here in Campbell River on July 26th for a photo opportunity/ supper and sleep over for the riders here at the Aerie.

This ride comes with a police/emergency services escort into the visited towns on our travels throughout the Province. We got the invitation to travel with this group because of the donation the Aerie and Auxiliary of \$1000.00 made to the rides charity of choice, the CNIB. Please check out MPNMR web site for all their info on this event, and if you can, please make a donation to this charity. We may be coming to your town, but I know nothing and that's the way they like it. **Thanks Joan for all you do.**

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

From Pacific Northwest Regional Memorial Fund Chairman, Marty Kennelly:

Hello My Brothers and Sisters, I have been asked by the Pacific Northwest Regional President Greg Jones to be this year's MEMORIAL FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN for the 2020-2021 Term.

The Memorial Foundation is a great selling tool when you are trying to get new Members; Aerie and or Auxiliary to join the FOE. For those of you that are not familiar with the Memorial Foundation it helps Members who have school age children to continue their Education and Medical in the event of a death of a Member who was at work; going or coming from work, so I encourage all Aeries and Auxiliaries to donate to this very worthwhile Charity.

If you are able to donate I ask you to please let me know so I can make a report to the National Chairman. My e-mail is: bull_dog57@yahoo.ca.

Fraternally Yours; Marty Kennelly; Pacific Northwest Regional Memorial Fund Chairman; Cranbrook #3032



“People Helping People”



**FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES
2020 BURSARY PRESENTATION**

1197 MAIN STREET PENTICTON

**EACH YEAR THE EAGLES REWARD TWO GRADUATES FROM
LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS WITH \$500.00 BURSARIES TO CONTINUE
THEIR EDUCATION**

OUR PRESIDENT STAN BINNS PRESENTS THIS YEAR'S RECIPIANTS

NYAH MELLER GRADUATE FROM PRINCESS MARGARET SECONDARY

James Richie Graduate From Pen Hi



“FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES - PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE” foe.com



THUMBS UP!



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From Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Louise Alexander:

Hello Brothers and Sisters, After waiting so long for summer weather, it has certainly come on strong! Hopefully we can enjoy it without the worry of forest fires. With all the problems we have faced this year with the Covid-19 virus, the last thing we need is another year of devastating fires creating havoc with our forests.

I would like to congratulate our new Grand Worthy President, Dave Smith and would like to wish him a very successful year. As he travels around visiting so many Aeries, I just pray that he stays safe and well.

Our Auxiliary restarted our monthly Family Dinners and considering it was our first since the pandemic started we are quite happy with the support. All the safety measures were in place and everyone followed them while enjoying a great dinner.

As we have a number of Sisters on our Executive with compromising health issues, we have postponed our Auxiliary meetings until September and then we'll have to see how to conduct them using self-distancing measures. We did have an initiation meeting on Sunday afternoon as since our club is only allowing members and their spouses to come into the club, more people are wanting to join.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer. Let's all pray that our Co-vid 19 curve heads downward again so that we can begin to renew our "New" normal lives.

Yours fraternally, Louise Alexander, BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Abbotsford #2726

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Gail Macdonald:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Hi everyone. Just a short note to let you know we are all fine in Duncan. I hope everyone is staying healthy and I am looking forward to seeing everyone in September.

Ah yah, I really like your Slogan Provincial Madam President. How true how true.

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



From BC Provincial Hall of Fame Chairman, Charleen Proznick:

Hello Sisters; I hope everyone is staying well in this unprecedented time.

I have been appointed the Hall of Fame Chairman for the coming year. I would like each of you to take a look at your current and past Auxiliary Members and I know you will find ones to put forward for the Hall of Fame.

I, also, know there are Sisters out there who were previously nominated by their Auxiliary whom have not been recognized Provincially. Please, resubmit their nomination as they are deserving of this honour.

Fraternally submitted by Charleen Proznick, PPMP

**CRANBROOK AERIE AND AUXILIARY #3032
HOST OF THE
2021 BC PROVINCIAL CONVENTION JUNE 2nd-6th**

HOTEL INFORMATION:

Hello brothers and sisters here is the list of Hotels in Cranbrook for the 2021 Provincial Convention

BEST WESTERN - 1019 Cranbrook Street North - 250-417-4002

HERITAGE INN - 803 Cranbrook Street North - 250-489-4301 - **Headquarters**

LAZY BEAR - 621 Cranbrook Street North - 250-426-6086 - **Booked**

SANDMAN INN - 405 Cranbrook Street North 250-426-4236

DAYS INN - 600 Cranbrook Street North - 250-426-6683

MOTEL 6 - 910 Cranbrook Street North 778-517-5666

TRAVELODGE - 1417 Cranbrook Street North 250-426-7236

SUPER 8 - 2370 Cranbrook Street North 250-489-8028

TRAVELERS MOTEL - 2000 Cranbrook Street North 250-426-4208

KOOTENAY COUNTRY INN - 1111 Cranbrook Street North 778-517-5888

MODEL A - 1908 Cranbrook Street North 250-489-4600

HOSPITALITY COURTYARD INN - 1209 Cranbrook Street North - 250-4789-4124

PLEASE NOTE:

DUE TO OTHER EVENTS HAPPENING IN CRANBOOK THAT SAME WEEK HOTEL ROOMS ARE AT A PREMIUM SO BOOK AS FAST AS POSSIBLE.

NOTE: HERITAGE INN PREFERED HOTEL. ACROSS THE STREET FROM AERIE

Marty Kennelly Convention Chairman

Provincial Charity Report ~ British Columbia Provincial Aerie 2019- 2020

This year your British Columbia Provincial Charity Report is full of "good news / bad news" stories. After sending out numerous request to the aeries throughout the province we finally ended up with 15 aeries reporting, 15 out of 21, should be better, however the dollars reported show that were on our way to a very successful charity year when the corona virus hit in March. Congratulations to all the aeries for maintaining our "People Helping People" image. In an attempt to keep this report short yet informative I have chosen to highlight a few charities and aeries. Here are those reports.

Bursaries

Seven Aeries reported making Bursary funds available in their communities, the total dollars were \$24,500.00. Campbell River #3097 donated \$10,000.00, for the largest amount also, the largest per capita amount of \$31.06.

Cancer

Again this year Cancer was the recipient of many aeries in the province. Maple Ridge #2831, with the help of their Auxiliary and a \$5000.00 grant from the Grand Aerie donated \$11,000.00 to their local hospital foundation for an equipment purchase. Of the seven aeries donating to cancer, Abbotsford had the largest donation and was the per capita winner with \$36,387.00 and \$97.81 respectively.

Hospice

Seven aeries made donations to their local hospice services totalling \$ 11,008.00. Largest donation was Victoria #12 with \$3,500.00 and a per capita of \$24.30.

Food Banks

What may be a sign of the times it seems that more and more of us are looking at Food Banks, Meals on Wheels and those agencies feeding our community as a good place to put our charity dollars. Cranbrook #3032 made the largest donation of \$12,200.00 however; Vernon # 3557 led the way on the per capita basis, with \$95.23.

Youth Guidance

Again this year support of those providing opportunities and guidance to the youth in our communities was popular with you all. Twelve of the 15 aeries reporting indicated making donations totalling \$32,665.00 to these programs. Leading the way was Cranbrook #3032 with \$9,450.00 and a per capita of \$58.69.

Community Support

The largest area of support is as always that undefined category "Community support". This year from the reports submitted we grouped together donations of \$53,015.00 to those agencies and organizations who work in support of the citizens of our communities and here in the province.

As I stated in the opening, "good news/bad news" "stories, I am personally sad to see that we have lost some aeries from the tote board. Vancouver #2075 has made its final report. Vancouver Aerie #2075 closed its doors at the end of this past term, but, in doing so made the following donations: \$5,000.00 to the Salvation Army, \$30,000.00 to Lion's Gate Hospital, \$38,500.00 to St. Paul's Hospital, \$100,000.00 to Alzheimer's and \$500,000.00 to Parkinson's. Total donations reported for this past term were \$ 284,165.00 for the fourteen aeries (excluding Vancouver) plus \$673.550.00 for Vancouver #2075.

Congratulation to all and I would like say Thank You to the following Aeries who submitted reports, Rossland #10, Victoria #12, Vancouver #2075, Port Alberni #2096, Ladysmith #2101, Duncan #2546, Northwest #2638, Hope #2690, Abbotsford #2726, Maple Ridge #2831, Cranbrook #3032, Campbell River #3097, Prince George #3318, Vernon #3557, and Penticton #4281.

Gerry Acton, 2019/2020 Charity Coordinator



“People Helping People”

The McMillan Express



On behalf of Maple Ridge Aerie, Brother Dick Penner presented this replica steam engine, which he had crafted, to Sister Judy McMillan, wife of the late Gary McMillan.

This was planned to be presented to Gary at this year's Provincial Convention where he would have presided as Provincial President.

In the name of Gary McMillan, the Aerie made a \$1500.00 donation to St, Paul's Hospital Foundation in support of Research and Treatment of Kidney Disease, the Maple Ridge Auxiliary also made a \$500.00 donation



NEWS FROM THE PAST PROVINCIAL PRESIDENTS:

From PPMP Ethel Kothlow:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; "Thank You" to you to the Sisters and Brothers from British Columbia and my Washington State Sisters who sent me Sympathy Cards and phone calls on the passing of my two Sisters.

Fraternally, Ethel Kothlow, PPMP

From Past Provincial Worthy President, Ray Hawksworth:

Greetings Brothers and Sisters; Welcome to our summer pandemic! COVID-19! We are all struggling through trying times. Each day is difficult - especially when you are trying to operate a community service group such as the Eagles. There are many issues of public safety to manage in keeping our members safe and helping those in the community we serve.

At Victoria Aerie #12 we have instituted a Public Safety Plan which is posted in our building and on our website. This Plan governs rules in place for everyone who enters our hall. We follow the guidance given by our Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry. This guidance is updated regularly and is posted on the BC Government Website. Whether you operate a licensed lounge, a hall for Aerie/Auxiliary meetings, or lend your hall for community groups, you must have rules posted that protect everyone.

Here are examples of what is required: Ensure everyone has access to Hand Sanitizer. Collect names and phone numbers of visitors each day to contact trace. Ensure social distancing of six feet is in place between tables and that a maximum of 6 are seated together. Ensure there is a logical traffic flow in the room so that people don't congregate or cross paths. If you are unable to follow these guidelines - do not open your club. Watch for updates to the guidance from Dr. Henry as rules may change as the virus changes. Rules enforced at Victoria Aerie #12 are posted on our website: www.eaglesclub12.com
Email me if you have any questions or would like further info - rayhawksworth@shaw.ca And Stay Safe!

Fraternally, Ray Hawksworth, B.C. Past Provincial Worthy President

NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES AND AERIES:

ABBOTSFORD #2726:

Hello everyone. It has been a different year to say the least with COVID-19. PPP Carol Edgington installed the Auxiliary on May 26, 2020 in a short ceremony, keeping with the social distancing and wearing masks as part of our attire. We have had a meeting to wrap up the year on June 9, 2020 fiscal year and then adjourning to September 8, 2020 for our next meeting. With several applications coming in, the Auxiliary officers initiated a few members in July during a special meeting. We wanted to welcome them to a wonderful organization.

With not be able to go to Grand Convention, the Auxiliary would like to congratulate and wish Grand Worthy President Dave Smith the best to him on his upcoming year.

The Auxiliary started the Family Dinners again in July. There was some extra special precautions with amount of tickets sold, table settings and prep of the banquet hall, everyone enjoyed the meal. Our next family dinner is August 28, 2020 with pork cutlets/ gravy, pasta salad, corn on cob and cherry cheese cake for dessert. Only 50 tickets being sold and it is for members and the significant other only.

Hoping everyone is healthy and staying safe and those who are not, get well soon. Take care and stay safe
Fraternally, Carol Edgington, Secretary #2726

CAMPBELL RIVER #3097:

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Well the past 4 months have been a whole new world or us. We are just now starting to try and get a little normality back into our regular lives.

We have started up with our Friday Dinners again but other than that our kitchen has been pretty well shut down. We have also started back up with our Membership Breakfast the last Sunday of each month.

Not sure what will happen once the summer is over but hopefully we will be able to start having regular Meetings come September. Our catering has virtually come to a standstill so we have had plenty of time to do a good cleaning and junking. Hopefully come fall we will all be able to start getting things back to some kind of normal.

We did a Social distancing Initiation last month and brought in 6 new Members but sadly I must say we ended up dropping 11 this year.

Take Care, Stay healthy and remain Calm

Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, Secretary #3097

LADYSMITH #2101:

Hello my Brothers and Sisters! Ladysmith Auxiliary #2101 extends congratulations to our new 2020-21 Provincial Madam President Nancy Van Oosten and Provincial Officers and also the Aerie Worthy Provincial President Steve Welcher and Provincial Officers. To Sister Bobbi Williamson from #2101, congratulations on being installed Provincial Madam Conductor, we are so proud of you. Kudos to you all and to all the BC Auxiliaries and Aeries on successful installations; during these uncertain times.

To Provincial Madam Jr. Past President, Marilyn Lewis, thank you for two wonderful years, you should be so proud of your accomplishments; we are! Little did we know that your theme of Change would look like this; we are strong and we have weathered the course. Sister Sheila Williams and I thank you for choosing us to be your Membership team for 2019-20. We are sad that our term could not be finished the way we wanted especially not being able to give out awards for milestones met. "Get new members but keep the old, one is SILVER and one is Gold"

#2101 extends our sincere condolences to family and friends of our departed Sisters. We have lost four this past month, Sisters Ellen Battie, Gloria Browne, Susan Rickerby and Bev Wavrecan. I would like to mention that even if we were locked down our Members rose to the occasion; Sisters making masks, Sister Thelma Neale (my mom) for phoning our Members both in Auxiliary and Aerie checking on them, to the Sisters and Brothers who took advantage of the hall being closed to do necessary cleaning and repairs and the list goes on; THANK YOU. We have become stronger through adversity and that will carry us through to what lies ahead.

Our Officers for the coming year are: Jr. PMP-Donna Shannon, MP-Jackie Anderson, MVP-Debby Baker, M. Chap.-Joan May, M. Conductor- Cortney Lasaga, M. Sect.-Bobbi Williamson, M. Treas.- Lucia Davis, M. Inside Guard-Brenda Doherty, Madam Outside Guard-Dot Sedola, M. Trustees-Chrissy Manson, Kerrie Vockeroth, Bev Wavrecan. A new Trustee will be appointed after the passing of Sister Bev. Mother Eagle - Arlene Neale and Honorary Mother - Sheila Williams. For the first time we have appointed a Father Eagle..Brother Ian Brown. Congratulations to 7 Ladysmith grads that were recipients of the Aerie and Auxiliary combined awards of \$1000 each.

As Dr. Bonnie Henry has said, "Be Kind, Be Calm and Be Safe
Fraternally, Arlene Neale, Jr. Past Madam President Ladysmith #2101

From Echo Chairman, Joan Klit:

Hello my Sisters and Brothers; First I would like to say “Thank You” to our Provincial President’s Steve Welcher and Nancy Van Oosten for asking me to stay on as the Echo Chairman again this Term.

SPECIAL NOTE FOR ALL:

We will have a change this Term for submissions for the BC Provincial Echo Bulletin. The new **DEADLINE DATES** for submissions to be sent in and no submissions will be accepted after this date; the dates are as follows:

September 30th for October

November 30th for December

January 30th for February

March 30th for April

April 30th for May

We will have a Section in the Provincial Echo called Questions and Answers and the Parliamentary Corner. If you have any questions you wish to send in for these Sections, please send them to my E-mail: jjklit@shaw.ca we will print them in the issues of the Provincial Echo.

If we are not sure about the answer to your question we will find out the right answer before we print it in the Echo.

Remember this is one of the best ways to keep the line of Communications open between all of us in the Province and I hope that you will continue for this term.

I will also send out little friendly reminders to each of you regarding the upcoming Deadline Date for the Echo Bulletin.

If there is any Sister or Brother who would like to have the Provincial Echo Bulletin sent to them via e-mail; please e-mail me your full name and e-mail address to: jjklit@shaw.ca

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

