



# BC Provincial Echo



May, 2020



"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!





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## The Echo ~ May, 2020



### From the Grand Aerie Board of Trustees:

Brothers and Sisters,

In recent weeks, we've received many questions in regards to the upcoming International Convention in Spokane, Washington, and we wanted to take a moment to clarify a few things moving forward.

First, as of right now, the International Convention is still scheduled to take place. If the status of the Convention changes per the orders of the state of Washington, we will let all of you know as quickly as possible through all of our available communication channels.

Second, in regards to Banquet/Prayer Breakfast ticket sales, any payments made WILL be refunded in FULL in the event the Convention is cancelled or if the Convention continues in a limited capacity that does not permit us to hold banquets. The same applies to fees related to Pre-registration or Ritual competition. Because we understand the uncertainty in these times, the deadline to purchase banquet tickets has been extended to June 30.

We would also like to take a moment to encourage everyone to visit the Conventions page at [foe.com](http://foe.com) for an updated list of cancelled/postponed State/Provincial Conventions. If your State or Province has cancelled or postponed your upcoming Convention but that information is not reflected on [foe.com](http://foe.com), please let us know as soon as possible so we can keep our list up to date for your fellow members.

Per Section 35.4 of the Grand Aerie Constitution & Statutes: *"The State or Provincial Aeries shall meet in annual session previous to the Grand Aerie Sessions,"* so States/Provinces may need to be innovative in how they accomplish the statutory requirements in the event you are unable to hold your traditional Convention prior to July 18.

As always; we will continue to monitor these situations and keep you up-to-speed on any updates as they're made available.

Please stay safe. We can't wait to see you all again on the Eagle Trail very soon!

Fraternally,

Carl Burnett, Chairman

Ron Malz, Grand Worthy President

**From BC Provincial Madam President, Marilyn Lewis:**

Hello Brothers and Sisters; As I put in my last submission as your Provincial Madam President I sure didn't think I would be sending out the message I am in this issue of the Echo. I know my theme for the year was CHANGE but I sure didn't expect the changes we have had in the past couple of months.

I am very disappointed that we have had to cancel the Provincial Convention but as we all know it is for the best. We need to make sure we keep everyone safe so us gathering was out of the question.

I have had a great year travelling throughout the Province visiting with old friends and making new friends. I enjoyed each and every visitation that I attended. There are so many people to thank that have helped me out this past year. I can't name them all but they all know who they are. Thank you to everyone for their donations towards my charity Ashnola at the Crossing we will be making a presentation to them at later date.

I would like to Thank the Brothers and Sisters of Campbell River for their support these past years and especially this past year. I never got to have my Official Visitation in Campbell River which was rather disappointing for me as I heard through the grapevine it was going to be a rather special occasion and if you know the Brothers and Sisters of Campbell River that could mean anything.

A very special "Thank You", to everyone who took on a Committee to Chair or Volunteered to be on a Committee. Without your work my job would have been made much more difficult. Thank you to all the Past Provincial Madam Presidents who have always been there ready to assist whenever called upon. Thank you to the Sisters who sat in the vacant stations for the past year.

At this time not sure how the Installation of the New Officers is going to take place or when but I wish Steve and Nancy all the best in their upcoming year and all the best to all the other Officers. Best wishes to all the incoming Aerie Provincial officers. Hopefully things will settle down and we can have a good year and get the Provincial Aerie and Auxiliary working together again after this Virus has settled.

Again "Thank You"; to everyone for this past year. It has been an honor to serve as your Provincial Madam President and I want you all to remember what I said all year long "It's all about the cake"

Everyone take care and stay safe

Fraternally Yours, Marilyn Lewis, BC Provincial Madam President, Campbell River #3097



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The Province Of British Columbia  
Aeries and Auxiliaries  
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Grand Worthy President Elect  
Dave Smith



**From BC Provincial President, Joseph Millette:**

Our service this year to our Fraternal Order has been one that would have been something special to our departed Brother Gary McMillan. We all wish he could have had his term as Provincial President, just as we wish that Bev would have had a chance at hers. It has been my humble honor to stand in Gary's place and work for his charities, as we all have.

Thanks to all the Provincial Officers, Past Presidents, Officers and Chairpeople this year. We must remember to celebrate our great achievements together over the year. Enormous thanks to Brothers Michael Wilson and Marty Kennelly for their home-zone visitations on behalf of Gary this year. His charities and dreams have come true due to these Brothers, and due to all of you.

I appreciate all of your support, advice, active service and best wishes over the term. It has led us to this point in the year when we can rest easy after making all efforts we could towards Brother Gary's wishes.

Feel proud of all that you have accomplished, and please be safe and practice social distancing.

Fraternal regards and love,  
Joseph

**From BC Jr. Past Provincial Worthy President, Ray Hawksworth:**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters – I hope you are staying home and staying safe!

We are living in extraordinary times and need to adjust our lives due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, B.C. Provincial Aerie has been forced to postpone the convention, scheduled for Cranbrook in June. The Provincial Aerie is working on alternatives and will discuss next steps with all members as soon as the way clears. In the meantime, our work in our communities continues.

As Provincial Aerie Nominations Chair, I am seeking candidates to be nominated for provincial office. We have openings for three trustees.

Brothers who would like to pursue a position as provincial officer are encouraged to express your interest in an email to myself: [rayhawksworth@shaw.ca](mailto:rayhawksworth@shaw.ca) – or by mail: #411-3252 Glasgow Ave, Victoria BC V8X 1M2. You must secure the support of your local aerie - by either a motion approved at a meeting or by the executive, and submit a letter signed by your Worthy President and Worthy Secretary which must accompany your application. Provincial office is an important role that will ensure the future of the Order by developing new leaders in our province. I encourage you to take part.

I am also Pacific Northwest Regional Co-Chair for Children's Charities. So, I am encouraging all aeries and auxiliaries to let me know what you've been up to in supporting kid's programs so I can spread the word throughout Eagledom.

Now let's fight on and help Brother Joseph make Gary's year a great success.

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



**From PGO/PPMP, Barbara Johnston:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers, So far everyone is keeping healthy, happy and busy at one thing or another. Here at my home there is always more to do than time. With the Corvd19 still keeping us isolated, has caused the Convention to be cancelled. This is unfortunate but we must abide by the Health Rules given us.

As Provincial Ritual Chairman I regret the Ritual Competitions are also cancelled this year. Keep what you have accomplished for another year. This year you are all winners by entering a Team.

Some of the Brothers and Sisters in Campbell River have been connecting through "Zoom" which has proven helpful. If this is not for you, we still have writing a letter or using the telephone. Where there is a will there is a way.

To anyone who has lost a friend or love one, my Sympathy is sent to you and to those who are ill or distressed, Get Well Wishes Go Out to You for a Speedy Recovery.

Days seem to run into each other and like my grandson said, "There are no Week-ends anymore." But we can all look forward to over coming this strange time in our lives and come out SMILING.

Take care, keep healthy and we will eventually see you on the Eagle Trail, once again blazing the trail for the Good of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Keep smiling, Sister Barbara Johnston. PPMP, PGO, Campbell River #3097

**"People Helping People"****Victoria #12**

"Victoria Eagles #12 keeps helping people despite the Aerie closure due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The Aerie is now assisting several Victoria Seniors Homes by providing them with iPads to allow them to connect with family members through the Eldercare Foundation."



**From Pacific Northwest Regional President, Lisa Kennelly:**

Hi Brothers and Sisters; I hope you all are taking care, staying healthy, and staying at home. I know it is hard not having, Meeting, Zone and Convention.

I would like to wish all the Officer's, Local and Provincial, Good Luck. We will have to hit the ground running when we get to have a meeting. You may have to look at helping your home Aerie or Auxiliary with some fund raising.

Some words to remember from our Grand Membership Chairman Tim Hoyt  
Ten little, two little words. "If it is to be, it is up to me"

To all the Mothers a very Happy Mother's Day!

Hope to see you all down the Eagle's Trail.  
Miss you all.

Love, Lisa Kennelly, Pacific Northwest Regional President 2019-2020

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**From PPNWRP/PPMP, Yvonne Blom:**

Hello my Sisters and Brothers, I know this not what we wished or hoped for when we welcomed in the New Year. But this is what we have been allotted and it is up to us as to listen and do what is asked of us and we will come through stronger than ever.

With Convention cancelled, I am going to miss seeing all of you, to renew old acquaintances, the laughter and the tears, the Hugs, and yes, even the meetings, and I am sure we all feel the same. For the Executive, it has been even more difficult, feeling left in limbo of a sort, stay positive, things will work out for you!

For now we must all be patient, compassionate and above all be kind. Remember our motto "People Helping People"! Phone and E-mail keep in touch. Remember your neighbours need help too.

Until we meet again on the Eagle Trail, stay safe.  
Yvonne Blom, PPNWRP, PPMP

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**From PPWP, Erich Hippolt:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers; I have the honor of doing the Provincial Presidents Keepsake Book for Provincial Madam President Marilyn's Term.

Please Sisters and Brothers if you have any pictures of Provincial Madam President Marilyn's Visitation to your Auxiliary/Aerie, Anniversaries etc. would you PLEASE send them to me. As of this date I have received no pictures regarding Provincial Madam President's visitations.

You can send them to me at the following: House Email: [hippolts@shaw.ca](mailto:hippolts@shaw.ca)  
Cell Phone: 250-203-7322

Thank you

Fraternally Yours, Erich Hippolt, PPWP, Campbell River #3097

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**From BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Steve Welcher:**

Hello Brothers and Sisters; I hope you are all coping with our Co-vid situation. I am saddened that we will not see each other this June in Cranbrook for our Convention. I am hoping that some things will be lifted by September.

To our Secretaries you should be receiving my tentative visitation schedule by Email and also my booklet to follow. With the visitations all visits will be a Joint visits with Provincial Madam Vice President /President Elect Nancy:

Tentative Dates for September – October 2020

September 11th and 12th - Provincial Executive Meeting and Visitation Port Alberni

September 13th - Parksville

September 14th - Campbell River

September 15th - Nanaimo

September 16th - Ladysmith

September 17th - Duncan

September 18th - Victoria

October 3rd - Cranbrook

October 4th - Sparwood

October 5th - Nelson

October 6th - Rossland

October 7th - Trail

The other Visitations will be in March

The March Provincial Executive is March 19th and 20th in Penticton

Once again all secretaries should have my Itinerary soon if you already have not received it please phone me at 250-918-4722 or E=mail: [sappertonsteve@yahoo.com](mailto:sappertonsteve@yahoo.com)

Hoping to see all Brothers and Sisters down the Eagle Trail! Stay safe

Faternally, Steve Welcher, BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Port Alberni #2960

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**From BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect, Nancy Van Oosten:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Wow what a ride this had turned out to be. Life as we know it may never be the same but what hasn't changed is who we are as Eagles and what that means. Our new year will be starting out in a way that has never happened before so I would like to take a moment to thank all of you for your love and support over the years. The friends I have made will last a lifetime. I have truly been blessed.

As for our year nest year I will be sending a copy of my Booklet to all Auxiliary Secretaries, Provincial Officers and Charity Chairmen the second week of June. Anyone else wishing to have a copy can contact me and I will be happy to email you a copy.

As there have been no Auxiliary meetings since early March; I am asking anyone wishing to serve on a Committee to please email mail me so I can forward your name to the Chairmen. The Committees are: Membership, Ritual, Presidents Special Charity, Volunteer Hours, Alzheimer's, BC Cancer Fund, BC Children's Fund, BC Heart Fund, Diabetes, HOME, Muscular Dystrophy, Spinal Cord, Local Donations and Memory Book. My e-mail is [nvanoosten1@gmail.com](mailto:nvanoosten1@gmail.com).

To everyone who is ill or has lost a loved one I am keeping you in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that by September when it is time for Brother Steve and I to start our visitations things will be back to something that resembles normal, until then stay safe everyone.

Yours in Sisterhood, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect

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**From BC Provincial Madam Secretary, Joan Klit:**

Hello My Sisters; It is with a great sadness and heavy heart that we will not be able to hold our Provincial Convention this June. But under these very uncertain times due to the Corona Virus, we must consider the health of all our Members. We all must try to carry on to the best of our abilities.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Because we are not able to hold Convention, I would like to inform all the Auxiliaries that you will be getting a full refund for the Pre-Registration and Ritual Fees that were paid in regards to Convention. Although we had deadline dates on the following; Provincial Charities; Memorial Scroll; Volunteer Hours and Local Donations; we want each Auxiliary to know that you can still send these to the Provincial Secretary.

Secretaries, I was notified by Grand Aerie Secretary Charles Cunningham that due to the Corona virus crisis, gold cards and certificates for the 2019-2020 year will be delayed. As soon they are able, they will be getting these produced and sent out to you to present to your Past Worthy Presidents, Past Madam Presidents, Ten-Year Secretaries and Past State/Provincial Presidents.

**REMINDER:** Secretaries, the annual Per Capita Tax is due on May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 for both the Grand Aerie and the Provincial Auxiliary and please remember; that this Per Capita Tax will be for the term of 2020/2021.

I would like to thank Provincial Madam President Marilyn, the Provincial Executive, and all of my Sisters and Brothers within the Province of British Columbia for an amazing year. To all our incoming Provincial Presidents Steve and Nancy and all their Officers I wish you a successful year.

My wish for next year is that we all get back to being there for each other and forget the "I" thing that is going on. We are all equal in this Fraternity and no one is a step above. I hate to see anyone intentionally hurt which is happening all too often here.

To all my Sisters and Brothers; Please Stay Healthy, Stay In and Please Stay Safe; Hopefully this situation will end soon and we can then start to see all our family and friends that we have been missing so much

I would also like to thank my Sisters in Trail for their continued support. I hope I have made you proud!

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

**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 their 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.

Provincial Madam President Marilyn, you have done an incredible job this year. I hope you know how much Gary was looking forward to sharing this Term with you and how incredibly proud he would have been to be at your side. Congratulations!

With the Provincial Convention being cancelled I find myself thinking about all those Brothers and Sisters that I had looked forward to reuniting with, sharing hopes and plans and friendship with, and learning with.

In this world we now find ourselves living in I hope and pray for everyone's health and well being. Have a wonderful summer everyone. Stay safe and be kind.

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



### *“Chaplain’s Corner”*



To All My Sisters And Brothers: Our Condolences go out to PPMP Glenda Brommeland, family and friends on the passing of her brother Bob. Condolences also go to the family, friends of Past Provincial Officer Theresa Kleefeld on her passing. They will be sadly missed. Please keep their family and friends in your Thoughts and Prayers.

Get Well Wishes go out to Brother Kurt Schubert who had a fall and broke his hand and has a lovely shiner; and Vernon’s Auxiliary Ritual Conductor, Sister Elouise Kilback is in hospital having suffered a Stroke. We wish you both a Speedy Recovery.

Now for a bit of news from around the States: Our Condolences go out to Cindy Thomas, family and friends on the passing of Oregon Past State President Jamie Thomas. He will be sadly missed. Please keep the family in your Thoughts and Prayers.

Get Well Wishes go out to Washington State Smiley Face Larry Schultz suffered a stroke and is in the hospital. Please keep him in your prayers and please remember to stay home whenever possible to stay safe. 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.

God Bless all who are dealing with illness and sorrow.

Fraternally Yours, Joanne Mallett, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Nelson #22

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#### **From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Joanne Mallett:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers: Every day, I say a little prayer to keep us all safe at this difficult time. I hope it has helped. There have been several Eagle Members in Washington State that have been affected by Covid19, some have passed from it.

I have not heard of any in B.C., but if there are, my prayers will include you. We are told there is light at the end of the tunnel, but continue to practice safe precautions for you and your families.

PPO Theresa Kleefeld from Kamloops passed away in April and condolences have been sent to her family.

As there will be no Provincial Convention this year, we will not be seeing each other there. I do hope to see some of you along the Eagle trail. Until then, Keep safe and keep well.

Fraternally, Joanne Mallett, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Nelson #22



**From BC Provincial Madam President Special Charity Chairman, Cindy Smith:**

Hello Sisters; I am hoping everyone is staying safe and healthy.

I know this has been a really hard time for the Auxiliaries trying to raise money for Provincial Madam President Marilyn's Charity; I just want to thank everyone that has donated. If any Auxiliary still wants to send donations please send them to Provincial Secretary Joan.

The beginning of June I will send out an email to all the Auxiliaries to let them know how much money was raised.

I wish we could have had our Convention but of course we must all stay safe and next year we will be back on track. I am sending big hugs to all of you girls.

One last thing; remember you are the back bone of the Provincial Auxiliary and without women like you we would not have a Provincial Auxiliary.

Fraternally Yours, Cindy Smith, BC Provincial Madam President Charity Chairman, Penticton #4281

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**From PPWP/2020 Convention Chairman, Marty Kennelly:**

Good day my Brothers and Sisters; I hope everyone is doing well. It is with a heavy heart on a decision by your Provincial Executive that due to the ongoing Pandemic and the health of our Members that this year's BC Provincial Convention has to be cancelled.

We were really looking forward to hosting all our Brothers and Sisters from across the Province this year in Cranbrook.

On a happier note as the Fraternal Order of Eagles is the founder of Mothers day I would like to wish all the Mothers out there a wonderful and Happy Mother's Day.

Fraternally yours, Marty Kennelly, PPWP/ 2020 Convention Chairman

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**From BC Provincial Island Zone Chairman, Bobbi Williamson:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers; In late February, Wendy Slee and myself held a Ritual Judging and Tally Room Workshop. We had eighteen (18) attendees from four Auxiliaries and one Aerie.

In early April, Faith Maslen, a Past President from Ladysmith #2101, planned an Officers and Committee Chairs Workshops for the Vancouver Island Zone.

Unfortunately, we were order to self-isolate to help combat the dread Covid – 19. Hopefully when we return to a new normal, we can once again schedule the training.

Fraternally, Bobbi Williamson, Vancouver Island Zone Workshop Chairman





**BC Membership  
in 2019-20**

April 30, 2020	YTD		TTD	APR		TTD		TRGT	PERC. OF	since start of term		CURR.
BRITISH COLUMBIA	N	R		N	R	NG#	VAR	NG+2%	NG TARGET	DROPS	ADDS	ROSTER
10 ROSSLAND	1	4	5			12	5 -7	94	95.91%	12	5	85
12 VICTORIA	8	1	9			12	9 -3	151	96.71%	11	0	137
15 NANAIMO	9	1	10			12	10 -2	58	123.84%	5	10	62
20 NEW WESTMINSTER	0	0	0			12	0 -12	18	98.04%		0	18
22 NELSON	9	1	10			12	10 -2	105	106.61%	11	10	102
2076 VANCOUVER	0	0	0			12	0 -12	35	89.39%	3	0	31
2096 PORT ALBERNI	1	0	1			12	1 -11	37	103.49%		1	37
2101 LADYSMITH	11	0	11			36	11 -25	346	97.17%	25	11	325
2546 DUNCAN	2	1	3			24	3 -21	266	89.40%	29	3	235
2638 NORTH-WEST	37	10	47			12	47 35	150	144.06%	25	47	169
2690 HOPE	3	0	3			24	3 -21	135	85.41%	23	3	112
* 2726 ABBOTSFORD	29	19	48	1	1	68	48 -20	359	118.09%	24	48	376
2831 MAPLE RIDGE	2	0	2			12	2 -10	59	98.04%	4	2	56
2838 TRAIL	0	0	0			2	0 -2	18	92.59%	1	0	17
* 3032 CRANBROOK	11	3	14			12	14 2	165	105.91%	15	14	161
* 3097 CAMPBELL RIVER	30	2	32			24	32 8	322	110.14%	25	32	323
3318 PRINCE GEORGE	8	0	8			12	8 -4	30	145.37%	2	8	35
3557 VERNON	10	6	16	6	1	12	16 4	124	106.88%	21	16	117
3922 PARKSVILLE	6	3	9				9 9	23	140.66%	8	9	24
* 4281 PENTICTON	41	6	47	1		36	47 11	432	110.06%	42	47	429

<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>3331</b>	<b>101.55%</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>3141</b>
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ZONE BREAKDOWN	ZT	ZQ	VAR
Island 7/7	75	130	-55
Lower Mainland 4/6	100	140	-40
Interior 3/3	71	72	-1
Kootenays 3/4	29	38	-9
<b>TOTAL 17/20</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>-105</b>

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over  
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term  
3126**

*All Aboard the  
McMillan Express  
for Membership!*



**From BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Bobbi Williamson:**

Dear Brothers and Sisters; I am not sure whether I am really disappointed that there is no Convention this year, or really relieved that I can stay home and stay safe. I always look forward to meeting and socializing with everyone that I can when attending these events.

After almost two months of self-isolation, myself and my family all seem to be settling in to the new normal, although I do look forward to the day when we can go out to eat in a restaurant or go camping.

This has been a very trying couple of months for us all, and as they say “what doesn’t hurt us makes us stronger”. So let’s all stay strong for our Aerie and Auxiliaries and before we know it we can meet again and be stronger for the experience.

Stay healthy, stay safe, stay happy and above all Stay Strong. As this year winds down, we are certainly in a new era.

Faternally, Bobbi Williamson, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Ladysmith #2101

**From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Faye Cook:**

Dear Brothers and Sisters; I hope that everyone has been able to stay healthy through all of this mess with Covid 19.

Wishing everyone a healthy Spring! I missed being able to see everyone as the Executive Meeting was cancelled. I am hoping that we will be able to have Convention in June.

Jerome and I have been staying healthy by avoiding going out unless we run out of Milk and eggs.

Love and Prayers to all!

Faternally, Faye Cook, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Trail #2838

**From Provincial Madam Trustee, Gail Mcdonald:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers; Because of the position we are in today I am sending our Anniversary Wishes through the Echo.

Happy Anniversary to: New Westminster #20, Vernon #3557, Nanaimo #15 and Penticton #4281.

I hope everyone is in good health and staying safe. God bless and hope to see you in June  
Faternally, Gail Mcdonald, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Duncan #2546

**From Provincial Madam Trustee, Marlene Jordan:**

Hello everyone! I hope you are all staying safe and healthy. Strange times for all of us for sure; I cannot remember an Easter Sunday without my family coming for dinner.....I sure do miss that.

I am still hoping to see everyone in Cranbrook for Convention. Fingers crossed that it will happen. I am very thankful for my big backyard to help keep me busy. I really miss seeing everyone at our Lodge.

Take care everyone and stay healthy.

Fraternally, Marlene Jordan, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Campbell River #3097

**Stamps for Cancer**

**From BC Provincial Stamp Chairman, Jeannie Hounslow:** Hi everyone, As Bob Dylan said in his song, “The Times They Are A-Changin’...”. However the need for supplies for Cancer patients isn’t. There is no doubt that the current situation will change how business is done, and as more become accustomed to a virtual world the use of stamps may decline even further. This makes each little stamp even more precious for our cause.

While we are staying home, this may be a good time to search for envelopes with stamps. Please kindly leave a lot of space around the stamp when retrieving: the whole end of the envelope is perfect.

Normally we collect your stamps at Convention, but with it being cancelled please hold them until the next Provincial FOE get together, be it an Executive Board Meeting or otherwise. If this doesn’t work for you, mailing them to me is an option, but right now I would actually rather you spend the cost of postage for something for your Local Food Bank as we have so many people in need due to circumstances beyond their control. When things move back to normal, we can then collect the stamps and turn them into funds for Cancer gauze and bandages.

As always, thank you for assisting in this worthy cause; very appreciated!!  
Wishing you all well and happy stamp collecting!

Fraternally, Jeannie Hounslow, BC Provincial Auxiliary Stamp Chairman  
[foe20aux@gmail.com](mailto:foe20aux@gmail.com) Box 3756, Vancouver, BC V6B 3Z1

**From BC Provincial Aerie Secretary, Will Heigh:**

Hello Fellow Eagles, As you may have already heard, due to Provincial COVID-19 requirements, and following the example set by our Brothers in both Alaska and Washington States, the B.C. Provincial Aerie Executive has voted in Session to cancel the 2020 Provincial Aerie Convention in Cranbrook. Following edicts issued by Grand Aerie for Local and Provincial/State Aeries, we will proceed to carry on with steps required by our Provincial Aerie Executive Board.

A series of Special Meetings may be required to continue to conduct the business of the Provincial Aerie for the balance of the current term. Much of the transition from this term to next will be handled as best it can, and our Provincial Aerie members are available to help you and your Local Aerie wade through your local challenges to hopefully thrive in the very near future.

**Continued From BC Provincial Aerie Secretary, Will Heigh:**

As much as we can in regard to normalcy, the need for us all to pay our Dues for next year by the end of this month remains of paramount importance. Many Aeries have implemented dues payments by drop-offs at the Local Aerie, surface-mailed cheques and money orders, as well as eTransfers from your bank directly to your Aerie's General Account. In these sensitive and trying times, the survivals of all Eagles Aeries have been jeopardized, and the Dues Payments are one simple way to help your Aerie keep going.

**Proposed amendments to the Provincial By-Laws** will be circulated to all Local Aerie Secretaries within the next few days. We ask that Local Aerie Presidents at their next meeting; either by email/conference call/Zoom, etc. form some consensus as to whether their Aerie votes in support of, or votes against, these proposed amendments. It would be much appreciated if all Aerie Secretaries would please let me know the consensus of their Aerie Executive by May 31<sup>st</sup> so that the Provincial Executive can hold a motion to approve them or not.

Speaking of May 31<sup>st</sup>, your Aerie's annual Per Capita dues to both the Grand Aerie and the Provincial Aerie are due on that date and will be considered late if received after June 30<sup>th</sup>.

This term's scheduled Cursory Audits have taken place and we will soon hear the recommendations from our Provincial Compliance Officer PPP Ray Hawksworth. The Provincial Executive continues its goal of helping all Aeries come into complete compliance with all of Grand Aerie's/Provincial Aerie's Constitution, Statutes and By-Laws.

Also of note: for the 2020-21 term; the two Executive Sessions will take place as follows:

**September 2020 – Port Alberni**

**March 2021 – Penticton**

Further details will follow.

Charity reports from our Aeries are due, so please get them in as soon as possible to Charities Coordinator HPPP Gerry Acton at [gandcacton@gmail.com](mailto:gandcacton@gmail.com).

**May 15** - Names to be included in the Virtual Prov. Memorial Service

**May 22** - Aerie Endorsement Letters for Provincial Office (both continuing and new officers)

***NOTE TO OFFICERS: Please be sure that your Local Aerie has paid its Per Capita so that you can remain eligible to hold Provincial Office for the ensuing term.***

***A further request of the Secretaries in the province: Please canvas your members to see if they would like to run for Provincial Office. We are always looking for qualified Past Worthy Presidents to come join us on the Provincial Executive. You can email me with their names and support letters from your Aerie membership by May 22<sup>nd</sup> and I will be sure to forward them on to Prov. JPWP Ray Hawksworth.***

**June 2** - Bids from Aeries to Host the 2022 Provincial Convention

Hoping to see you soon, I hope we can continue to be nice to each other and retain our health by observing the recommended health and social distancing mandates. If the Provincial Aerie can be of any service, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Fraternal regards,

Will Heigh TYPS,

Secretary, BC Provincial Aerie, F.O.E

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**NEWS FROM THE PAST PROVINCIAL PRESIDENTS:****From PPMP, Linda Vipond:**

Hello Brothers and Sisters; Sisters and Brothers: Wow! What a year. We are sending love and healing vibes to one and all. Miss seeing you.

Should they lift the travel and meeting restrictions in May, Brother Wayne and I still will not be attending Convention in June. Should we be able to have convention later in the year, July or August then maybe.

We miss you all and pray that all is well with you. Until we meet again, be safe.

Fraternally Yours, Linda Vipond, PPMP

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**From PPMP, Glenda Brommeland:**

Hi Sisters and Brothers; I would like to thank everyone that have sent cards and caring thoughts, on the loss of my Brother. Staying in touch has been a special comfort.

Breaking my collar bone in late February, I have been rather confined in my activities. And Dr. Orders to stay in when the Pandemic started.

It has certainly been a difficult spring for everyone. Plans put aside, volunteering on hold, and driving when I felt like escaping. I must say, that tripping oneself with one foot to the other has not been a highlight for me....

Missing our Sisters and Brothers, please stay healthy and in touch with each other.

Fraternally and with Love, Glenda, PPMP

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**From PPMP, Carol Edgington:**

Hello Brothers and Sisters; Happy Mother's Day!!! Happy Father's Day!!! Hi to everyone!!!

It has definitely been a trying year with COVID-19, self distancing and staying safe.

I have talked to Members and they are all missing having the club open and visiting with everyone. No meetings of any kind leaves a void in our Membes lives and hope we can get back to a new normal soon.

Hoping everyone is staying healthy and safe. To those that are not feeling well, take it easy and get well soon.

Fraternally Yours, Carol Edgington, PPMP

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**NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES AND AERIES:**

**ABBOTSFORD #2726:**

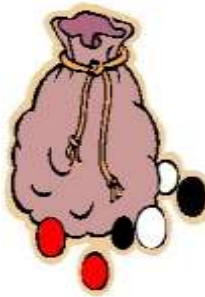
Hello Sisters and Brothers; It will be a different year this year with no BC Provincial Convention. I will miss the sessions but most of all the commerodery of everyone. I will miss finding out how well we did with our Provincial donations.

Mothers Day is this weekend and we wish all Mothers a "Happy Mother's Day". Be safe and use self distancing to keep everyone safe. Happy Father's Day to all the Fathers and it will be no different than Mother's Day. Membership dues have been coming in and the Secretary thanks all who have paid their dues. It keeps her busy writing receipts and making Membership Cards but most of all getting her daily walk to the mailbox.

The Wooden Train Set Raffle has been drawn and the winner is; Bob Minter of Abbotsford.

Take care, stay healthy and stay safe  
Carol Edgington, secretary

**CAMPBELL RIVER #3097:**



Hello Sisters and Brothers; If there is any Auxiliary that is in need of or would like an extra of the following please get a hold of me as we have a surplus supply and we would like to try and give to someone that might need it.

We have:

- 3 Mother Heads
- 3 Ballot Boxes with all the Balls and extra White and Black Balls
- 2 sets of Regalia

We also have a number of Year Pins for those that were asking about the Year Pins

Thank you, Marilyn Lewis, Secretary, Campbell River #3097

**DUNCAN AERIE #2546:**

Hello Brothers and Sisters; We all know with this Corona Virus (Covid 19) we the Aerie have the lounge closed and no meetings have been held since mid March.

When the time comes the lounge will open again and meetings will go on. Until then we want everyone to stay home and stay safe.

Fraternally, Brenda Leakey, Secretary Aerie #2546

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**DUNCAN AUXILIARY #2546:**

Hello to all of our Brothers and Sisters in Eagles land; Hope everyone is staying in good health. We are not doing so much as we cannot get into our Eagles Hall, and most of our Members do not have computers so getting in touch with most is by phone.

We have been working hard to get our dues in and myself with the help of the President Delores Billings and our Treasurer Gail Macdonald making the runs to the bank has been a great help to me to get the dues in and only have a few more to go, it has been a big help and I thank them for that.

We will be doing our Bursary this year just a little difference than in past years, we are giving \$100.00 this year. What else can I pass on to all only that I hope that all are staying in good health and taking care, and next year we can see everyone at Convention again.

Fraternally, Fran Ryan, Secretary, Duncan #2546

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**LADYSMITH AUXILIARY #2101:**

Hello Sisters and Brothers; This is my message to you from #2101 and also from the Provincial Membership Committee.....so many things cancelled and our lives changed but always remember we will meet again. The lyrics below are sung by Johnny Reid.

Sad that we cannot meet at our Convention or at our meetings; Sister love and virtual hugs to you all.....

May the sun shine on your shoulders, May luck and love be your friends  
For now, always, forever; till we meet again

May your troubles be few, I hope life's good to you  
May your heart beat steady and strong, Yeah I wish you the best  
May you find happiness, Every step of the road you're on  
May the wind fill your sails through the rain and the hail, Carry you safely back home  
May your journey unfold to a big pot of gold, At the end of your way home

May the sun shine on your shoulders, May luck and love be your friends  
For now, always, forever; till we meet again

May life fill you glass, May the memories last  
Let the whiskey kiss you good night, May you wake every day with a smile on your face  
And the ones that you love by your side

May the sun shine on your shoulders, May luck and love be your friends  
For now, always, forever; till we meet again

Fraternally, Arlene Neale, Jr. Past Madam President, Provincial Membership Chairman, Ladysmith #2101

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### **NEW WESTMINSTER #20:**

Hello and best wishes to everyone! Very fortunately no members here that we know of, has contracted this virus and hope the news in your area is the same.

We are greeting and adapting to the challenge of a new way of life, albeit meat draws and other standing social practices have been postponed. While I cannot speak for the Aerie business, the Sisters have met the challenge exceptionally well. Information and needed motions are conducted digitally with proper quorum et al, and we are continuing with our annual hanging basket fundraiser with a total revamp of past procedures to conform with medical directives. As a public sale wasn't viable and not wanting to cancel our order with a small business, we partnered up with one of our charities and as such we able to hold the standing order, raise money for our charities, and keep/expand our client list. A lot of work and ingenuity yes, but a win-win on three accounts!!

Regular meetings in the traditional format will resume when viable, and we look very forward to seeing each other and all of you when the time comes. The Eagles comradery is a backbone, and we all miss it.

Keep well please, stay safe, and look after one another

Fraternally, The Brothers and Sisters of New Westminster #20  
[foe20aux@gmail.com](mailto:foe20aux@gmail.com)

### **VERNON #3557:**

Dear Sisters and Brothers. Due to the Covid-19, our Eagles Hall has been closed by Interior Health since March. We certainly miss catering the Friday Night dinners, Sunday Breakfasts, Dart night with food, and Meat Draws. The loss of income will certainly be a problem, going into the future.

Of course this meant we could no longer hold our Meetings. A small group of Executive are carrying on the necessary day to day financials etc.

It is with much regret that the Ladies Auxiliary of #3557, is cancelling our attendance at the Provincial Convention in Cranbrook, in June. We had to planned to compete in Ritual, but we have members who are immunity comprised, due to surgery, treatments etc., therefore, we feel it would be detrimental to their health to subject them to large gatherings.

We will miss the comradeship and spirit of the gathering of Eagles. It is with eagerness that we look forward to 2021. We wish all those who attend, an enjoyable and productive Convention.

Yours truly, Rosalie, Jr. Past President #3557

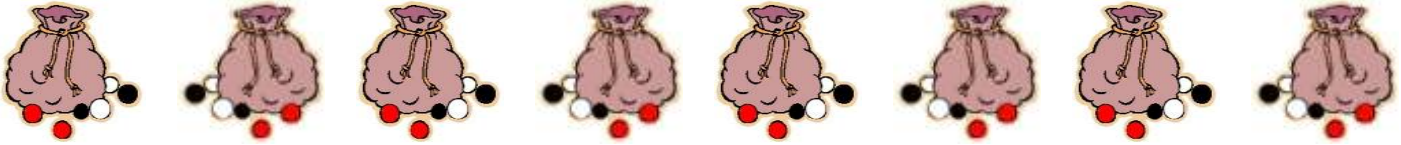
### **VICTORIA #12:**

Hello from the Island. Things are quiet here at Victoria #12. But they say Silence is Golden!

Hope all is well at our Aerie's and Auxiliary's. Maybe we will be open soon. Just hang in there folks. Take care and keep safe. Have faith we will get through this. Trust in God.

God Bless Everyone.

Patti Robinson, Secretary Victoria #12



**From 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 Marilyn and Provincial President Joseph for asking me to serve as the BC Provincial Echo Chairman for their Term.

I would like to say a very special “Thank You”; to the Provincial Auxiliary and Aerie Officers, Auxiliary and Aerie Secretaries, Committee Chairman 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 has been so successful since we started a few years ago and I hope that the Sisters and Brothers will continue to submit items for the next Term.

I want to say “Thank You” to Incoming Provincial Presidents Steve and Nancy for asking me to continue on as the Provincial Echo Bulletin Chairman again next 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; other Canadian Provinces and our Sisters and Brothers in the United States.

Yours in Sisterhood, Joan Klit, BC Provincial Echo Chairman

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## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**Q** - Can an Interviewing Committee Member withdraw an application?

**A** – **No**; Section 1.6 of the Rules and Regulations states in part; The Interviewing Committee may not withdraw an application if the application is found unfavorable. **Only the proposer or applicant** can withdraw the application before the report of the Interviewing Committee to the Auxiliary

**Q** – Does the Auxiliary have to accept the "Golden Eagle" as part of her transferring into an Auxiliary?

**A** – **No**: A Golden Age Eagle Membership from one Auxiliary to another is non-transferrable. Once they have been transferred, if your By-Laws allow, they can reapply for Golden Age Eagle Membership in your Auxiliary.

**Q** – Can the Auxiliary charge her for her portion of the per capita of Grand and the provincial per capita?

**A** – Section 2.9 of the Rules and Regulations states in part: The Local Auxiliary may provide in its By-Laws that such members shall pay applicable per capita taxes and funeral benefits.

