

THE PAPERCLIP

OCTOBER 2025



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

WORLD ANIMAL DAY – Saturday, October 4, 2025

THANKSGIVING DAY – Monday, October 13, 2025

AUXILIARY AGM – Saturday, October 25, 2025

REMINDERS:

- When filling containers for Cann Am (bags and boxes), please remember to keep a 20 pound limit on each item. This greatly helps the volunteers who move these items from location to location. There is a scale by the door at the back of the building in case you want to check the weight of anything.
- Please **do not** wear perfumes into the Shop as there are many volunteers who are very sensitive to any type of scents. Thank you.
- If there is no tag or price on an item in the Store, it must be taken and priced by the Department that it came from. We are finding that customers are removing tags

and trying to receive the item for a lesser price. Some of these items are Specialty Items and have been priced accordingly, and only the Department that originated the sale would know the correct price. Thank you.

- Access to Auction Site – Join Facebook and befriend Kay Andrews (our pseudonym name)
- If you would like to access our Website, go to the Members area in the website ([Powell River Health-Care Auxiliary](#)) and type in the password [fingerpuppets](#). There is a lot of information in there for you to look at.
- Historian Archives – If any Volunteer has interesting articles or pictures from years gone by, they would be welcome to forward to Sue McCallum for inclusion in the History binders. They can be dropped off at the Economy Shop or forwarded by email to sue.chuckmccallum@gmail.com

DID YOU KNOW

When we have excess merchandise, that we haven't been able to sell at the Economy Shop, we package it up and take it over to the Island and drop it off at a few different locations which are really happy to receive it. This saves us a huge garbage cost and enables other charities to sell good merchandise that we couldn't sell here in Powell River. If you are heading to the Island, have room in your vehicle and would like to help out by dropping off some merchandise in Courtenay/Comox, please contact Dave or Colleen Bratseth at cdbratseth@gmail.com

TERRY FOX RUN



Our own Gracie Balzan participated in the recent Terry Fox run. Congratulations Gracie!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers in all of our locations. Please check with your friends, family, neighbours and acquaintances to see if they would be interested in being a part of this very rewarding endeavour. Remember you receive a gift certificate for \$20 for the Economy Shop for every person you bring in to volunteer.

Right now, we are in need of volunteers at the Economy Shop to:

- Help out in the Linen Department
- Door people
- Receivers

This could be for a two or four hour shift. If you can help, please contact one of the Managers in the Economy Shop – Rhondda Schreurs, Willie Perry, Betty deGroot and Cathy Greiner

The Gift Shop is also looking for help. Please contact Roxanne Penner at roxanne4pillar@gmail.com

The Red Cross Loan Cupboard is also looking for volunteers to help. Please note that the Health Equipment Loan Program is in **URGENT** need of volunteers for the Fall and Winter months of 2025.

They may need to temporarily close if new volunteers cannot be found. Please consider applying! Email bccoastal@redcross.ca for more information.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please remember to mark your Volunteer Hours when you work. Every hour counts in our totals submitted to the BCAHA and for any Grants we might apply for in the future. Thank you.

YOUTH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



Please think of applicants for our program. Could be grandchildren, friends, neighbours etc. Grade 10-12 are eligible.

A \$2,000 scholarship could be available with 50 hours of volunteering over a 3 year period and entering into post graduate medically related field. It's a very worthwhile activity to help kids give back to the community and a reward for their future endeavours.



On September 18, Gaye Culos and Sue McCallum worked a table at Brooks School to recruit Youth Volunteers (formally known as Candy Strippers). It was really interesting to interact with the students from Grades 8 – 12 as well as online learners.

NEW BUILDING UPDATE

Hope you have driven by our new building and noticed the fresh new look. Thank you so much to Rob Richardson, Don Kersey, Scott Greiner, Dave Bratseth and George Parry for doing this wonderful job!



The before view



The fresh new look

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Returning Member Glenda Behan

Eveline VanHaasterl

Suzanne Maslin

Teedie Kagume

Eileen Glendenning

We look forward to meeting and working with you



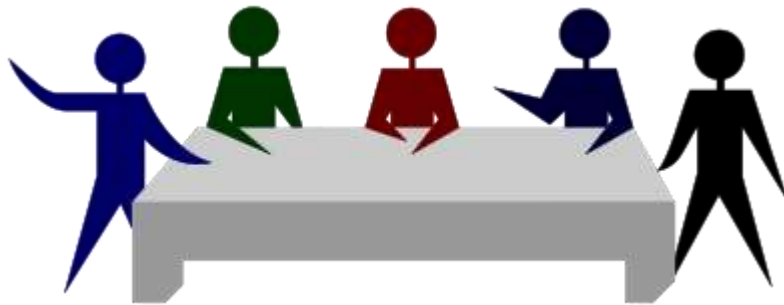
SEWER NEEDED FOR HANDCRAFTS

Handcrafts is looking for someone who would like to join them to sew. This person could sew from home or join the group on Thursdays in the Hospital Cafeteria from 10:00 – 1:00. If you are interested, please contact Ursula Demuth at udemuthkj@hotmail.com. This is a great opportunity to get together to do something you enjoy and create beautiful handcrafts.



POWELL RIVER HEALTH-CARE AUXILIARY POSITIONS COMING UP FOR RENEWAL AT AGM

Three positions on the Board are coming up for renewal – Vice President and two Directors at Large.
If you are interested in applying for any of these positions, please contact Rhondda Schreurs at
rhondda.s@gmail.com



JUST A REMINDER – PLEASE BE RESPECTFUL AND
KIND – WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO