THE PAPERCLIP

NOVEMBER 2025



NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS – Sunday, November 2, 2025 REMEMBRANCE DAY – Tuesday, November 11, 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 Andews (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

DID YOU KNOW

GET WELL CARDS

Bonnie Stephen sends out cards and well wishes from the Auxiliary to members who are ill. If you know of an Auxiliary member with medical issues that you think would enjoy a get well wish, please let Bonnie know.

george44@shaw.ca or (604) 485-6466

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

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.

NEW BUILDING UPDATE

WE HAVE VERY EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE WITH YOU

The mortgage on our New Building has now been paid off in full and we are the proud owners.

If everything goes as planned, we will be in working out of our new Economy Shop at the beginning of January 2026 and will be hosting a Grand Opening Celebration shortly thereafter.

JOIN US FOR A

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Our Christmas Luncheon this year will be held on Saturday, December 6th. It will be held in the Parish Hall on the side of the Assumption Church on Glacier Street. Doors open at 11:45 am

As of now, because of number and space availability, only Auxiliary Members will be invited.

Please mark your name on the list in the kitchen at the Economy Shop and place a cheque or cash for \$20.00 in an envelope, with your name and the sign up number on the sheet on it, and place the envelope in the safe in the kitchen. These funds will be returned to you when you attend the luncheon.

There will be great entertainment and wonderful, delicious food prepared for you. There will be a 50 - 50 draw along with other draws and fun things to do.

Cut-off date for the sign up for the luncheon will be Sunday, November 23st. This will give time for the caterers and committees to make final arrangements for the numbers for lunch.

A THANK YOU NOTE FROM OUR MOST RECENT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Dear Members of the Hospital Auxiliary,

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for selecting me as a recipient of the \$2,000 scholarship. I am truly honored to be recognized for my volunteer work at WCV and ECU nursing homes over the past year.

Volunteering in these settings has been an incredibly meaningful experience, allowing me to build connections with residents, develop new skills, and gain a deeper understanding of the importance of compassion and care in a healthcare environment. This scholarship not only acknowledges my efforts but also provides significant support as I pursue my educational and career goals in the healthcare field. I am enjoying my current schooling as an HCA and I cannot wait to be back with the residents in a new role.

Your generosity will help ease the financial burden of my studies and further motivates me to continue giving back to my community. I am very thankful for the opportunities the Auxiliary provides to students like me, and I am committed to carrying forward the values of service and dedication that this award represents.

Once again, thank you for your generosity and support.

Sincerely,

Olivia Raffin

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Ann Sherman

We look forward to meeting and working with you



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

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO