



BC Provincial Echo

May 2014

There are *Angels* God puts on this Earth

Who care for us and guide us.
You can feel their love and gentleness
as they walk through life beside us.

They do great things for us every day
they whisper in our ears,
they even hold us in their hearts
when we are filled with all our fears.

They are always there to give a hug
and try to make us smile.
They treat us with respect and love,
they treat us like their child.

God blessed me with an Angel,
I'm proud to call my own.
She's been with me throughout my
life, been with me as I've grown.

She's guided me the best she can,
she's taught me like no other,
and I'm thankful I'm the lucky one
who get's to call her...

Mother

Kathleen J. Shields - May 14, 2006

"Happy Mother's Day"



The Echo May 2014

From BC Provincial Madam President Yvonne Harry:

To all my BC Sisters; the time is getting closer to our Convention in Hope. I would like to thank all of the Sisters and Brothers in the Province for their Hospitality, Laughs, Food and Tours of their towns. We saw a lot more of our beautiful Province than we ever have. The wonderful gifts I will hold dear for the rest of my life. "Thank You" for all of the donations either given to your own Special Olympics or to the Penticton's group.

I would like to "Thank" my home Auxiliary and all of the Sisters that have supported me through the years as a Provincial Officer. Eric and I have been real busy with our Visitations, Anniversaries, and Zone Conferences.

May brings another busy month, with setting up our Convention Committees. With all of the Sisters help I know that we will have a good Convention and fun doing so with doing what we all do "People Helping People".

I would like to "Thank" my counterpart, my husband Eric. We had lots of fun and laughs; at the times we got lost on the Island and Main Land. Penticton and Vancouver hosted the Grand Madam President. What a great lady.

I will be sending to your local Secretary's the list of names of Sisters that will be at Convention and what Committee they will be on. I want to thank you ahead of time for putting your name forward to help have a smooth Convention.

If you are a Charity Chairman please have a representative at the Banquet. If you are unable to attend please insure that your report is given to someone that is coming to the Convention.

The provincial Officers meeting will be held on Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm at the Eagles Hall. Our new Provincial Presidents will be Carol Edgington and Gerry Lu they and will need your help as our new Presidents.

I hope all will have a happy and safe summer and I hope to see you on the Eagle Trail.

Fraternally Yours, Yvonne Harry, BC Provincial Madam President

From BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President Thelma Redmond:

Hello My Sisters; Happy Spring Sisters. Isn't it nice to see the sun and know that winter is finally over? I know that I for one am glad to see the end of it.

Well this is the end of my term and I find it hard to realize that when Convention ends and so will my time on the Provincial Board. It really has been quite the ride. One that I must say I would never have willingly passed by.

Thanks to each of you for your kindness and support through the years. I know that at times I made some of you wonder if you made the right choice but together we reached for rainbows and found the pot of gold at the end, and BC Children's Hospital was the winner overall.

Once again thanks to each and every one of you. With love and hugs

Fraternally Yours, Thelma Redmond, BC Provincial Jr. Past Madam President

“The starting point of all achievement is desire”

From BC Provincial Madam Vice President/President Elect Carol Edgington:

Hello My Sisters; I want to wish Provincial Madam President Yvonne Harry a wonderful Convention and the best to all the Officers both Outgoing and Incoming. I have been working full time and trying to get my Committees organized and set up. For those of you that have said you will sit on a Committee, thank you. It means a great deal to me to have Volunteers to help and hopefully make my year a good one.

I want to thank all the Auxiliaries for taking the dates set as I am taking all my vacation time from work, for all the schedules and visitation dates I have set out. I have had to work with and around six fellow employees and two blackout periods of a total of three months, to fit it all in.

June will be here before you know it and hope everyone is starting to get excited. I know Hope Aerie and Auxiliary have been working very hard and I know they will do a good job. Going to Convention, meeting old friends and making new ones, learning is what it is all about, is what makes a great one.

Take care, stay safe and we will meet for Convention

Fraternally Yours, Carol Edgington, BC Provincial Vice-President/President Elect

From BC Provincial Madam Secretary Joanne Krisko:

My Dear Sisters; With Convention just around the corner I would like to thank everyone for their time and effort in getting all of the required information to me. Your dedication is appreciated.

Secretaries, please make sure that you have your Deceased Members up to date in the MMS system. The final Memorial Scroll will be cross referenced to this report. It would be a shame to miss any of our departed Sisters.

I would like to thank Provincial Madam President Yvonne, the Provincial Executive, and all of my Sisters within the Province of British Columbia for an amazing year. I would also like to thank my Sisters in Maple Ridge for their continued support. I hope I have made you proud!

I would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and expressions of sympathy on the loss of my mother. Her passing left an ache in my heart that I thought would never go away. I thank you all; you have made it easier to go on. The tears are slowly turning to smiles when I think of her.

If I can be of any assistance to any one of you, please do not hesitate in contacting me via email at bcprovaux@gmail.com or by telephone at 604-349-9956

Please take care and always remember to say I love you to those you hold dear. You never know when they will be gone.

Remember:

Yesterday is a memory,

Today is a gift, but

Tomorrow is not promised.

I wish you peace, joy and happiness in the year to come.

As always, I remain yours in service, Joanne Krisko, BC Provincial Madam Secretary

“A Mother’s Heart Is A Patchwork Of Love”

From BC Provincial Madam Treasurer Judy Enns:

My dearest Sisters, as this term draws to a close I would like to take a minute to thank everyone for the incredible support and help you have extended to me. Your patience, wisdom and guidance have meant so much.

Congratulations to Provincial Presidents Yvonne and Eric on the successful year you both have had and all the best to Provincial Vice Presidents/Presidents Elect Carol and Gerry as they start theirs.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Convention. Please travel safely.

May all have a safe and wonderful summer!

Yours in Sisterhood, Judy Enns, BC Provincial Madam Treasurer

From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain Shirley Hunt:

Hello Everyone, Hope you are all having a great spring and looking forward to summer. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at Convention in Hope. Let’s all have a safe trip.

Ladysmith has been busy as usual. We have started a Soup Kitchen for the Homeless two times a week. The needy are at least getting a good meal twice a week. It’s so sad to see though. Meat Pies are coming to an end until September.

Special Note: Please send the names of your Deceased Members to me by May 15th so the Memorial Scroll can be made up; it is greatly appreciated.

You all take care and drive carefully

Fraternally, Shirley Hunt, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Ladysmith #2101

From BC Provincial Madam Chaplain Shirley Hunt:

Hello Everyone, I am really wondering what the Eagles are all about. Instead of People Helping People we are ready to jump on a Sister. There is no helping anyone. We should be close and be there for each other. Let’s get back to helping each other and backing a Sister instead of waiting for them to do something wrong.

Do we back a Sister? Are we standing up for her? No; let them stand on their own. Pretend it never happened. Where is the 'I am sorry'?

To the Past Presidents, please be there to help us. You are the ones we look up to. Do you know what it’s like to be yelled at, or told we are not doing right, instead of someone explaining or helping? Instead of asking what we were told when there was a problem, is it easier to yell and ask questions later? Being told different things by different Past Presidents is very confusing.

I love what the Eagles stand for and try to help whenever I can. Let’s 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 another Sister intentionally hurt which is happening all too often here.

Fraternally, Shirley Hunt, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain, Ladysmith #2101

“Mothers Hold Their Children’s Hands For A Short While, But Their Hearts Forever”



“Chaplain’s Corner”

To All My Auxiliary Sisters: Our Condolences go out to Provincial Madam Trustee Barb Calve', family and friends on the passing of her loving father. PPWP Geoff Middlehurst, family and friends on the passing of his loving mother. Our Condolences also go out to the family and friends on the passing of Joffre Brondgeest a 45 year Member of Aerie #2638; and to PWP Len Brooks, family and friends on the passing of his loving wife; to Susan Sutton-Stuart, family and friends on the passing of Pat Stuart. They will all be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes go out to PPTYs Vera Gjestrum who is in hospital in Vancouver. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Now for a bit of news from around the States: Our Condolences go out to PSMP Sharon Hayes on the passing of her brother Ron. Joan Elsberry, family and friends on the passing of her husband PSWP Marvin Elsberry. Washington State Auxiliary Treasurer Ellen Blakely, family and friends on the passing of her sister Marlene Titherington. They all will be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes go out to: PSP Carol Levandowski's husband Ski who recently had surgery to remove a tumor. Buckley Eagles Auxiliary #1387 Madam President, Marilyn Ballill had a recent stay in the hospital and to Connie Slade who is in the hospital. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Thankfully the cards are slowing down. Get Well Cards aren't a problem but I hate to send Sympathy Cards because it means a Sister or Brother is gone.

Let's all keep well. For those who I have sent cards to we keep you in our thoughts and prayers.
Fraternally Yours, Shirley Hunt, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain

From BC Provincial Madam Conductor Donna Roach:

Hi Sisters, another fraternal year is drawing to a close, where has the time gone. By now we have elected our Officers for the upcoming year and are planning our Installations for them and are eagerly awaiting Convention to see our friends and fellow Sisters from around the Province.

At this time I would like to once again thank my Sisters in our Auxiliary for all your support and for all the support and friendship I have received wherever I have travelled around the Province. We are an amazing fraternity.

Thank you Penticton for hosting a great Zone Conference May 2nd you out did yourselves and to those who attended, it was great to see you. A “Wonderful Workshop” done by Grand Worthy Chaplain Dave Smith.

Congratulations Vernon Aerie #3557 on your 40th Anniversary, my guests and I thoroughly enjoyed the festivities and it was wonderful to see three (3) of the remaining four (4) Charter Members there.

Travel safely everyone to Convention and I look forward to seeing you all there. Hugs,
Fraternally, Donna Roach, BC Provincial Madam Conductor, Prince George #3318

"A Mother Is A Rose In The Garden Of Life"

From BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard Karla Schubert:

Hello Sisters; I can't believe the Year is Over! Thank You Yvonne Harry for being our Provincial President; and I wish you a successful Convention in Hope.

I wish the Vernon Aerie #3557 a very Happy "40" Anniversary, and a happy bright and Profitable Future. It was also 30 Years ago in May when our Hall was opened. Congratulations. We are looking forward to "50".

Fraternally Yours, Klara Schubert, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Vernon #3557

From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard Bev Bailey:

Hello my Sister's; Well we are nearing the end of another Term, it has been exciting. We have had good times and bad times but, we have weathered the bad.

Vancouver had the pleasure of hosting the Grand Madam President's visit, what a wonderful lady Grand Madam President Katie is. Provincial Convention is coming up soon in Hope and I wish you all a safe trip and anxious to see old friends and meet new ones.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my Auxiliary and all Sisters who have supported me in Provincial Office, you have been amazing. To all the Incoming Officers I wish you all the best in next Term, together we can make it.

To All the Brothers and Sisters who have been ill or in hospital I wish you a speedy recovery.

Till Convention take care and God bless.

Fraternally Yours, Bev Bailey, BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Vancouver #2075

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters; Wow it's hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. Each year seems to pass more quickly than the last. I would like to thank each you for all the love and support you have given me.

To those of you who have been or are ill I wish you a speedy recovery and to anyone that have lost loved ones you are in my prayers.

I am looking forward to seeing a lot of you in Hope in June.

Fraternally Yours, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Cranbrook #3032

From Provincial Madam Trustee Marilyn Lewis:

Hi Sisters; It is hard to believe that the Convention is just a month away, Boy does time ever fly by. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Convention. I know Hope will do a great job.

Hoping anyone with any Health problems are on the road to recovery.

Safe travels to everyone traveling to the Convention. See you all in Hope.

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

“God’s Most Precious Work Of Art Is The Warmth And Love Of A Mothers Heart”

From Provincial Madam Trustee Louise Hodge:

Hi Sisters, this term is coming to an end, it is hard to believe how fast this past year has gone. I would like to take this opportunity to say “Thank You” to my Auxiliary Sisters for your support in my endeavors as a Provincial Officer. A big “Thank You” to all the Sisters in the Province for your continuing support, love and friendship -- it means a lot to me.

I would like to say congratulations to the Hope Aerie and Auxiliary for hosting their first Convention; you will do a wonderful job.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at Convention in Hope.

Fraternally Yours, Louise Hodge, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Abbotsford #2726

From Provincial Madam Trustee Barb Calve:

Hi Sisters; Well sisters this year is coming to an end faster than expected. I am sure for a lot! I would like to thank all the Auxiliaries and Sisters that sent and expressed condolences on the loss of my father, it has been a rough couple of months as there were more ups and downs with family health and deaths on top of that one unfortunately, but again thank you all for your kind thoughts.

I was able to meet the outgoing Grand Madam President Katie at Vancouver's visitation and what a lovely lady she is. Hope Aerie and Auxiliary hosted another fine Lower Mainland visitation.

Provincial Convention is approaching so fast and with seeing what Hope has done in the recent past I know that they will do a smashing job at hosting this Convention and I look very much forward to seeing you all there!

Have a wonderful Mother's day and hope that you will be able to spend it with your families!

Fraternally Yours, Barbara Calvé, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Victoria #12

From PPMP Joan Klit and Provincial Madam Outside Guard Bev Bailey:

To All Our Sisters and Brothers
The Challenge Is Still On

In this last issue of the Echo Bulletin we have posted the pictures of our Provincial Auxiliary and Aerie Officers. Do you think you could tell which Picture belongs to which Provincial Officer?

Now here is the **Challenge:** We are asking all our Brothers and Sisters to try and pick out our Provincial Officers as they may have looked like when they were a baby or toddler.

We would like you to guess and then e-mail your answers to: jjklit@shaw.ca or to bevbailey21@gmail.com

At Convention in Hope this coming June we will present prizes to the member from both the Auxiliary and Aerie who guess the most correct Provincial Officers.

Thanking you in advance for participating.

Fraternally Yours,

PPMP, Joan Klit and Provincial Madam Outside Guard Bev Bailey

From Diane Lee, Hope #2690:

Welcome Sisters and Brothers to the BC Provincial Convention in Hope BC. We are looking forward to meeting all of you in June. The following Information is pertaining to this Convention:

Wednesday June 4th

Headquarters will be in the Upstairs Hall at the Eagles.
Wednesday 4th June - All registration from - pm at the Headquarters
7:00 pm Executive Meeting Upstairs

Thursday June 5th

7:00 am Ritual Competition upstairs at the Legion Hall next to the Eagles Hall
11:00 am Joint Introductory Ceremony at the Legion Hall
1:00 pm Auxiliary Sessions at Legion Hall upstairs
1:00 pm Aerie Sessions at the Baptist Church

Friday June 6th

8:00 am Memorial Service
9:00 am - 12 noon Auxiliary Sessions – upstairs Legion Hall
12:00 pm -2:00 pm Voting at Foresters Hall - (2) two doors down from Legion
Afternoon Sessions start at 1:00 pm
Joint Banquet at the Curling Club with Cocktails at 6:00 pm and Dinner at 7:00 pm
Then back to Eagles Hall for Entertainment

Saturday June 7th

9:00 am Auxiliary and Aerie Sessions
Pictures 1:30 pm and Installation of Officers to follow
Hospitality to follow Installation upstairs at Eagles Hall

Lunches will be held daily starting Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Headquarters
Dinners will be served as well, prices TBA

Courtesy cars available for those that need it.

Fraternally Yours, Dianne Lee, Secretary

From PNWR Art Hermann Cancer Fund Chairman Lisa Kennelly:

Hi Sisters; This year I am the PNWR Chairman for the Art Ehrmann Cancer Fund. If your Auxiliary has put on any special event this past year for Cancer; could you please let me know what you did and how much you raised so I can put together my report for Grand.

I can be reach at the following:

E-mail: l_kennelly82@yahoo.ca there is an underscore between the l and k

Or mail it to me at
1213 3 Ave S, Cranbrook, BC V1C 2C7

Thank you, Love Lisa Kennelly

"God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers."

From BC Provincial Diabetes Chairman Doreen Tosoff:

Hello Sisters; ATTENTION; Diabetes Chairman: Please have your Diabetes Report to me by May 24th, 2014 I require this information to make up my Report for Convention. I can be reached by the following; Doreen Tosoff, 312-595 Yates Rd, Kelowna, B.C. V1V 1P8

Phone: 250-862 2738
E-mail: dtosoff@telus.net

Respectfully Submitted, Doreen Tosoff, BC Provincial Diabetes Chairman

From BC Provincial Ritual Chairman Dott Bryan:

Hello Sisters; VERNON "B" TEAM Competition to be held at 8:00 a.m. upstairs of the Legion Hall. All Auxiliary members Welcome.

SCORE ROOM - Ritual Committee Members, to be at Legion Hall 7:45 a.m. – Please! Including; Linda Royal, Gail Macdonald from Duncan and Janet Aerlson.

Anyone else that would like to learn scoring please contact me or Madam Provincial President Yvonne My contact information is;
E-mail: dottbryan@teus.net Phone Number: 250-352-5404

Thanks to all the TEAMS that have and are competing this year.
Fraternally, Dott Bryan, BC Provincial Ritual Chairman

From Thompson/Okanagan/Caribou Secretary/Treasurer, Klara Schubert:

Hello Sisters; Thompson-Okanagan-Caribou Zone Conference, was held May 3rd, 2014 in Penticton. The Southern Okanagan Woman in need Society was there, with a slide Presentation. It was very informative.

Grand Worthy Chaplain Dave Smith did the Workshop on Officers Duties. After lunch, Linda did a presentation on Brain Damage, and what they do to rehabilitate. The Election of New Officers was held, with the following being elected; Chairman- Yvonne Harry, Penticton. Secretary/Treasurer - Glenda Bromeland, Prince George.

Thank You to the past Executives, for a job well done. The Next T.O.C. Zone Conference will be held in Prince George On May the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2015. See you all there.

Respectfully Submitted, Klara Schubert, Secretary/Treasurer, Vernon #3557

From PPMP, Linda Vipond, and PPWP Wayne Bucklage:

Hi Sisters and Brothers; Happy Easter Everyone and a very Happy Mother's Day. Wishing you all the very best. It seems that Easter comes quicker every year.

Hope to see many of you in Hope at Convention this June. Provincial Madam and Worthy Presidents Yvonne and Eric, I hope that your year has been as wonderful as you hoped it would be. Congratulations on a good year. Have a wonderful Convention. It is a lot of fun. See you in Hope.

Fraternally, Linda Vipond, PPMP and Wayne Bucklage, PPWP

"In Each Human Heart Is That One Special Corner Which Only A Mother Can Fill"

NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES:

CAMPBELL RIVER #3097:

Hello Sisters: We have been really busy with cooking and selling Meat Pies, Fruit Pies, Cabbage Rolls, Chicken Cordon Blue and anything else we can sell to our members and guests. We have been continuing with our Friday Night Dinners with the Aerie now doing one once a Month. We are still having our Fun nights the 1st Saturday of each Month.

We have just had our Election of Officers and are really happy to see our newer Members stepping up and taking Office. We will be having a Garage Sale in July and a Book Sale in the fall. We are still really busy with Caterings for the summer lots of Retirement Parties and Weddings. We are hosting our Officer Appreciation night on May 20th. If you're in our area be sure and drop in for a visit

Fraternally, Marilyn Lewis, Secretary Campbell River #3097

HOPE #2690:

Dear Sisters and Brothers, Convention is soon upon us. Hope Aerie and Auxiliary are looking forward to seeing all our fellow Eagle Members this coming June.

The Aerie and Auxiliary have all been working hard preparing for this event, and we hope that you all have a good time. Bring your Appetite and your Dancing Feet.

Fraternally, Hope Aerie and Auxiliary #2690

NANAIMO #15:

Hello Sisters, On May 10th we will be 87 years young and are celebrating on May 17th along with the Aerie with a Beer and Burger night cost is \$10. The Aerie is 115 on May 9th so we decided to make it a Joint Celebration. We invite everyone to come but ask that you RSVP please so we can know how many to prepare for.

We have two New Sisters finally so things are looking up. It's been a long time coming but we are hopeful.

Yours in Sisterhood, Thelma Redmond, Secretary, Nanaimo #15

NELSON #22:

Hello Sisters; As we wind down to end of another term we are busy with Caterings and planning our Installation of our Auxiliary Officers On May 25th, 2014.

We are also looking forward Convention this year. As we get to see old friends and meet new ones. We want to congratulate our Provincial Presidents Yvonne and Eric and their Officers on a great year.

We send our best wishes for good health and happiness to all those who are struggling with health issues. We do hope you are feeling better. To those who have lost loved ones and dealing with that hard struggle we send our Prayers to you. Look to your family and friends for comfort this will help you and you will know that others share your loss.

More sunshine now so we will all feel better.

Blessings From, Nelson #22 Auxiliary Sisters

NEW WESTMINSTER #20:

Hello Sisters, Here we are in the last month of the term. The time has certainly flown by. New Westminster Auxiliary #20 is continuing to work with the Aerie to reinvent ourselves in the Community, although getting new Members is very difficult. We are meeting in the hall and board room that we rent from the CAW twice a month for our meetings and for extra events. This gives us a home base in the city.

Together we held a successful Spring Dinner and Dance on April 10th which was a total sell-out. The Auxiliary and Aerie will be celebrating their Anniversaries on May 13th. The Auxiliary will be 87 years old and the Aerie 115. We will be honouring the Past Madam Presidents, Past Worthy Presidents. Past Mothers and presenting service pins to the membership. This is also when we make our donations to the Local Charities.

On May 27th we will be holding our Joint aerie and Auxiliary Officer Installations for the coming term. The next item on our agenda will be the BC Provincial Convention in Hope, where we will see our Brother Gerry Liu installed as BC Provincial Worthy President for 2014 – 2015.

We hope to see you in Hope!

Submitted by, Vera Gjestrum, Secretary, New Westminster #20

TRAIL #2838:

Hello Sisters: Wishing Everyone a Happy Mother's Day. The Auxiliary does a Mother's Day Baby Basket up for the first baby born on or the closest to Mother's Day.

We are looking forward in seeing everyone at Convention in Hope.

Our meeting nights are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
Fraternally, Joan Klit, Secretary, Trail #2838

VICTORIA #12:

Hello from the Island. We wish to say hello and hope everyone is well. We wish to share get well wishes for anyone who has been sick or in hospital and hope everyone is on the mend, also if anyone has lost a family member you are in our prayers.

We are continuing along at a normal pace at the Club. We have started having a Brunch on Sunday mornings every two weeks; we have held two of them and they were successful. Our next one is on Sunday May 4th, at 11 a.m. We also have our regular Meat Draws on Sunday. But the last Sunday of the month is a Jam Session and BBQ. If you are in town drop by.

Looking forward to seeing you all in June at the Convention in Hope
Cheers, Pat Robinson, Secretary, Victoria #12

*"The heart of a mother is a deep abyss
at the bottom of which you will always
find forgiveness"*

From Echo Chairman Joan Klit:

Hello Sisters, as this is the last issue of the Echo Bulletin for this term I want to say “Thank You” to Provincial Madam President Yvonne for asking me to serve as Echo Chairman for her 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 us in the Province and for our Sisters and Brothers in the United States too.

A special “Thank You”; to the Sister’s; Auxiliary Secretaries and the Provincial Officers who have sent items in for the Echo Bulletin. Thank you for sending in your submissions for this issue of 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 the next term.

Yours in Sisterhood, Joan Klit, Echo Chairman

Something Special For You:

Life is like a journey on a train with its stations, with changes of routes and yes even with some wrecks! At birth we boarded the train with our parents, and we believed they would always travel on our side. However, at some station our parents will step down from the train, leaving us to proceed on this journey alone. As time goes by, other people will board the train; they too will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and especially the love of our life. Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Others will go so unnoticed that we don't realize they have vacated their seats!

This train ride will be filled with joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, dreams, hellos, goodbyes, and tearful final farewells. Success on the train of life consists of having a good relationship with all passengers and requiring that we give the best of ourselves.

The mystery for everyone is: We do not know at which station we will step down. So, we must live in the best way: love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are. It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty; we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life.

I wish you a joyful journey for the coming years on the train of life. Reap success and give lots of love in return. More importantly, thank God for the journey!

Lastly, I thank you for being one of the passengers on my train!

BE YOURSELF - for nobody is better qualified!

*“Her Love Is Like An Island In Life's Ocean, Vast And Wide
A Peaceful, Quiet Shelter From The Wind, The Rain, The Tide
It Is Bound On The North By Hope, By Patience On The West,
By Tender Counsel On the South And On The East By Rest.*

*Above It Like A Beacon Light Shine Faith, And Truth, And Prayer;
And Thro' The Changing Scenes Of Life You Find A Haven There”*

RULES OF CONVENTION

CREDENTIALS FOR ADMISSION:

Delegates from Local Auxiliaries, Past Madam Presidents and Ten-Year Secretaries wishing to obtain admission to and participate in the deliberations of the Convention shall first obtain their Credentials from the Credentials Committee, where each shall properly identify herself and present her Official Receipt showing that she is in good standing in her local Auxiliary.

ADMISSION TO CONVENTION:

No person, except for and during special Order of Business, shall be admitted to or permitted to remain in the portion of the Convention Hall which is set aside for Accredited Representatives, unless she is such an Accredited Representative or Registered Visitor, and unless she, upon request, displays her Credentials and shall have deposited the daily attendance stub with the proper Provincial Auxiliary Official in charge of collecting such attendance stub.

ADMISSION OF VISITORS:

If the Convention Hall is set up with a designated section for Visitors and Guests, then this is the area where they shall sit. Otherwise, they may sit with the Accredited Representatives.

DECISION MAKING:

Only Accredited Representatives and Delegates are entitled to participate in the making of decisions.

ATTENDANCE:

All Accredited Representatives and/or Delegates are expected to attend all sessions of the Convention. Your Auxiliary Secretary may request to see your record of attendance at the Convention.

NAME BADGES AND RIBBONS:

All Accredited Representatives or Delegates shall wear their name badges and ribbons visibly at all times.

MANNER OF GAINING THE FLOOR:

An Accredited Representative, desiring to gain the Convention floor to be heard on any matter which is properly before the Provincial Auxiliary, shall **rise, give the salutation sign to the Provincial Madam President and, when recognized, shall forthwith give her name and the number of her local Auxiliary** before proceeding. Microphones shall be used when available.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Except those contained in reports of Committees of the Provincial Auxiliary, all Resolutions which are to be presented to the Provincial Auxiliary, including any Resolutions heretofore adopted by any Ladies Auxiliary to a local Aerie, shall first be presented to the Provincial Auxiliary by filing same to the Provincial Secretary prior to March 30th for distribution to all local Auxiliaries for their consideration prior to the Convention. When the resolutions are presented to the Convention floor, it is the Resolution that is before the Convention and **NOT** the recommendation of the Resolution Committee.

DEBATE:

The maker of a motion is entitled to speak to the motion first if she so desires. Debate may be limited to a maximum of **three (3) speakers** for the motion and **three (3) speakers** opposed to the motion. Speeches will be limited to **two (2) minutes** each.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS:

The Nominating Committee shall consist of all Past Provincial Madam Presidents present at Convention.

The Chairman and Secretary shall be named by the Provincial Madam President. The Nominating Committee shall recommend one nominee for each Office in the Provincial Auxiliary. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. Nominating speeches shall be limited to **three (3) minutes each.**

ELECTION:

Voting shall take place between the hours of 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. on the Friday of Convention. Accredited Representatives and Delegates desiring to cast a ballot shall present their Official Receipt and Credentials to the Elections Committee. Any Credential which has been altered in any manner may be declared invalid. Any ballot which has been marked prior to inspection by the Elections Committee will be declared illegal. A majority of the votes legally cast shall elect, except when there are more than two candidates for any one office, in which instance a plurality of the votes legally cast for such office shall elect. When more than one person is to be elected to any one office: **example:** five (5) Trustees, if you vote for less than five (5) your ballot is counted, however, if you vote for more than five (5) the ballot is spoiled and is not counted. Unintelligible ballots are treated as illegal votes and shall be reported as such. Small technical errors, like the misspelling of a name do not make a vote illegal if the meaning of the ballot is clear. Decisions on balloting shall be under the jurisdiction of the Election Committee.

DRESS CODE:

Dress attire to sessions of the Provincial Auxiliary Convention shall be dresses, slacks, skirts, and skorts, walking shorts with appropriate blouse or shirt and shall be clean and business-like.

PHOTOGRAPHS:

No flash photographs may be taking during any of the Ritualistic Ceremonies or at other times when the Bible is open on the Altar.

AGENDA:

The Agenda established by the Provincial Madam President shall be adopted by the Delegates.

PARLIAMENTARIAN:

The Parliamentarian may assist the Resolutions, By-laws and Elections Committees if so requested.

ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER:

Any point or issue not covered in the Rules of Convention or in the Laws of the Order shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order newly revised and the ruling of the Provincial Madam President who shall consult with the appointed Parliamentarian.

2014 CONVENTION COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS: Chairman: Bobbie Williamson

Marline Jorden, Carol Darlington, Debbie Little, Dianne Lee, Barb Gilbert, Janice Niebergall, Pat Robinson

ELECTIONS: Chairman: Dot Bryan

Noreen Poznikoff, Karen Cameron, Penny Mac Load, Gloria Womacks, Carol Hrabb, Dodie Wilson

RESOLUTIONS: Chairman: Faye Cook

Marylon Tripple, Darlene Peters, Ora Lucas, Mary Henderson

BY-LAWS: Chairman: Joanne Mallet

Dot Muir, Diane Joans, Yvonne Ray, Rosalie Schmidt, Ana Bodnaruk, Norma Elliott.

FINANCE: Chairman: Tina Biggelow

Angie Fletcher, Louise Savoy, Catherine Duclas, Louise Yuris

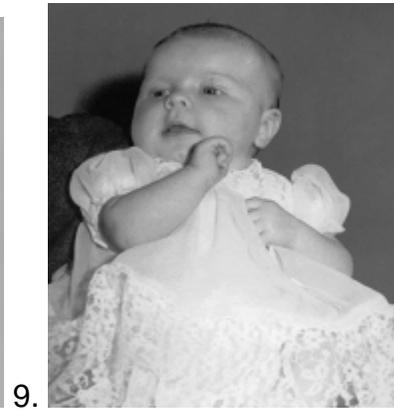
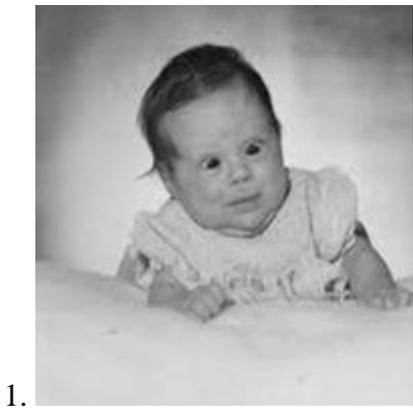
MEMORY BOOK: Provincial Trustees

HISTORIAN: Thelma Redmond

STAMPS: Joyce Hounslow

HALL OF FAME: Chairman: Edith May, Pat Irvine, Charlene Proznick

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