

BC Provincial Echo
May, 2012



*"A Single Rose Can Be My Garden
A Single Friend My World"*

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From BC Provincial Madam President, Edith May:

Hello Sisters; This is my last “Official” Echo report as your Provincial Madam President. I have been procrastinating about writing this report as it means this term is coming to an end. As hard as it was for me at the beginning of this term for personal reasons, I find it just as hard at the end as it means so many good times will now have to remain in my thoughts and memories. I have so many pictures to also remind me of what an excellent year it has been. To say “Thank You” for all that you have done and the hard work put into working for Alzheimer’s and all the Charities just doesn’t seem to be enough.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles has been and will continue to be a part of my life. I received my forty (40) year pin at Victoria’s last Auxiliary meeting so you know I won’t be going away any time soon. Being a Provincial Officer has its rewards so for anyone thinking of becoming an Officer, many others and I will be there to help in any way we can.

Before this term ends there is still some business to take care of. I have the Convention Committees done and they are included in this Echo. Secretaries please read them over and let your Delegates know what Committee they will be working on during the Convention. There were two Auxiliaries who did not send me their Delegates list so I was unable to put them on a Committee.

PLEASE NOTE:

Convention Chairmen: If you require setting times for your Committee (i.e. Credentials) please give the Committee Members as much notice as possible as to when and where you would like them to be.

Charity Chairmen: If you will be unable to attend Convention to present the check to your Charity and to give your report please insure someone from your Committee will be there to replace you. Please remember to contact someone from your Charity to come to the Banquet to receive the check.

Provincial Officers: The Executive meeting will be held at the Super 8 Motel at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday night. The Nominating Committee will be setting the time and place for those who have to be Interviewed and will let you know when you will be required to attend.

I regret to inform you for those who do not already know, Grand Madam President Gwen will be attending our Convention only. She will not be making any other stops in the Province. I know there will be Sisters who were looking forward to her visit around the Province but unfortunately her time does not permit other visitation dates.

Our Incoming Provincial Presidents Sister Thelma and Brother Ron will have their own challenges during their term so please give them the same support you gave Brother Brian and I. With our support they will make it through.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer. I will see you at Convention and along the Eagle Trail.

I would like to close this report with this: “Happiness keeps you sweet, Trials keep you strong, Sorrow keeps you human, Failures keep you humble, Success keeps you glowing, But only friends keep you going.”

THANK YOU MY FRIENDS FOR KEEPING ME GOING

Fraternally, Edith May, BC Provincial Madam President



From BC Provincial Worthy President, Brian Kersey:

Hello Sisters; I hope you are doing well; it's hard to believe that this is the last Bulletin for this term. I was told it would go by fast and they were not kidding, I have had such a great term and have enjoyed all the visits that Edith and I had with all of you. Each Auxiliary made us both feel so welcome and at home, I cannot "Thank You" all enough for that. I hope your term was a fun and productive as ours was.

I would like to congratulate all of you ladies on what a great job you did getting all those "Roses" for Edith this term, you ladies did awesome. It is so important to get new members and also keep the ones you have. Keep it fun and fresh and make everyone feel at home and having fun. I know you all can do it because I was blessed and honored to experience it when we visited your home Auxiliary. It was so impressive to see how hard you all worked raising money for Edith's charity; you ladies sure are hard workers. Be very proud of what you girls are doing.

And on behalf of all the men in the Province I would like to "Thank" each and every one of you for all the hard work and help you give us. Without you ladies a lot of things would not get done (come on guys you know its true lol).

As I write this there are so many memories going through my head and emotions through my heart and they are all so dear to me, "Thank You" again for blessing me with a chapter in my life I will never forget.

I would like to send a special "Thank You" to a very good friend and someone who made this journey so much easier and has been a blessing to both Edith and I, THANK YOU JOAN!!!! I love you and will never forget how you made this journey easier by putting together all our paper work and making sure we knew where and when we were going.

And of course I would like to "Thank" my winger, Edith you're the best and I had so much fun traveling with you. The ladies are lucky to have such a wonderful person at the wheel. I have been so blessed to have been able to make the friendship we have developed. I look forward to our Convention and will be sad that our time traveling is over. I guess I'll have to come over and bug you. Don't throw away those ear plugs yet lol.

Sisters have a great summer and keep working hard as you do. I hope to see you all at Convention. God Bless Your Brother and Friend, Brian Kersey (Hoss), BC Provincial Worthy President

From the BC Provincial Honorary Mother, Leigh Lawrence:

Dear Sisters and Daughters; I would like to "Thank You" all for your hard work in raising money for Provincial Madam President Edith's Special Charity "Alzheimer's". We have way surpassed their total year's budget already and the final numbers are still coming in. I am unable to disclose the amount at present as Provincial Madam President Edith wants to be surprised. I will ensure that she is sitting when I tell her and all of you at Convention.

I would like to thank Provincial Madam President Edith for giving me the honor of being one of her Honorary Mothers this year. It was awesome meeting some new Sisters and renewing friendships with Sisters already met. It was also fun going on the few visitations that I was able to. Thank You Sisters for welcoming me at all events.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Abbotsford at Convention in June. Good luck Abbotsford and best wishes

Fraternally, Leigh Lawrence, BC Provincial Honorary Mother and Provincial President's Special Charity - Alzheimer's Chairman

From BC Provincial Honorary Mother, Barb Calve`:

Hello Sisters and Daughters; Well Ladies, this year has flown by! I am reminding everyone to get their Volunteer Hours into our Provincial Secretary Joanne Krisko as soon as possible. Remember VOLUNTEER it can make not only you but others feel great!

That's what we are EAGLES, people helping people in all different ways, make it happen.

It has been an honor to represent Provincial Madam President Edith as one of her Honorary Mothers for her term. I too as Sister Leigh has mentioned in her report have met many new Ladies and Friends throughout this term!

I would like to thank Hope for hosting this recent Lower Mainland Visitation, another awesome job, and I look forward to seeing everyone soon! Convention is coming fast!

Fraternally, Barb Calve, BC Provincial Honorary Mother and Provincial Volunteer Hours Chairman



“Chaplain’s Corner”

To All My Auxiliary Sisters: Our Condolences go out to the family and friends on the passing of Past Provincial Madam President Bridie Howarth, she will be sadly missed.

Get Well Wishes and our Thoughts and Prayers go out to Sister Bettyanne Gair wife of Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Ron Gair who has been diagnosed with Lung Cancer. And to Past Provincial Madam President Barbara Johnston’s husband Keith he is very sick and is in the Campbell River Hospital. We wish you all a speedy recovery.

Now for a bit of news from around the States: Our Condolences go out to Past Grand Madam President Ruby Bigoni on the passing of her Sister. To the family and friends of Brother Dewey Van Dinter on his passing, he will be missed greatly and to the family and friends on the passing of Oregon Past State President Wayne Frazier.

Get Well Wishes go out to PPNWRP Judy McInnes who has Pancreas surgery and to Prosser Aerie Secretary Jack Kellum who had a heart attack. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Please keep in mind all of our Brothers and Sisters who may be going through any kind of situation in their lives at this moment.

And hope to see all soon at Convention
Fraternally Yours, Yvonne Harry, BC Provincial Madam Chaplain



“Friendship Is The Breathing Rose; With Sweets In Every Fold”



From BC Provincial Worthy Vice President/President Elect, Ron Gair and Bettianne Gair:

Dear Sisters and Brothers: To all the wonderful Brothers and Sisters, Aeries and Auxiliaries who called and sent the Get Well Cards, thank you so much from both Ron and I, they were very much appreciated.

Fraternally, Ron and Bettianne Gair, Kamloops #3453

From BC Provincial Secretary, Joanne Krisko:

My Dearest Sisters, I would like to take a moment to “Thank” each and every one of my Sisters for making this job so easy. With Convention coming up, things can get a little hectic, but each of you have done a fantastic job and have made this term a pleasure.

If I can be of any assistance to any of you please don't hesitate in contacting me by email at jkrisko44@gmail.com or by telephone at 604-349-9956. I am here to serve you!

I look forward to seeing all of you in Abbotsford.

Yours in Sisterhood, Joanne Krisko, BC Provincial Madam Secretary

From BC Provincial Treasurer, Judy Enns:

Hello Sisters; As this term draws to a close I would also like to take a minute to say “Thank You” everyone for the incredible support and help you have extended to me. Your patience, wisdom and guidance have meant so much.

Convention details are being finalized and everyone here in Abbotsford is looking forward to greeting all of you in June. Travel safely.

May all have a safe and wonderful Summer

Fraternally Yours, Judy Enns, BC Provincial Madam Treasurer

From BC Provincial Membership Chairman, Cindy Smith:

Hello Sisters; Great Job Ladies!!! We have had a good year for Membership this year, a big “Thank You” to each and everyone who signed up a New or Reenrolled Member.

This is the last Report for Membership that I will be putting into the Echo for this term. I will be giving the final Report at Convention in Abbotsford so I won't have any total in this edition of the Echo.

PLEASE NOTE: Secretaries please find attached in the back of the Echo the Membership Report Form for you to fill out and send back to me ASAP. I have also sent it out in the mail, this is very important that this is to be returned before June 1st, you can email or fax it to kintcindy@shaw.ca or 250-493-2388.

Thank you for adding “Roses to the FOE Bouquet” for Provincial Madam President Edith.

Fraternally, Cindy Smith, BC Provincial Membership Chairman

From BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard, Theresa Kleefeld:

Hello Sister's; I cannot believe another year has passed us by, and with hope Summer will be just around the corner. Congratulations to Provincial Madam President Edith May and Provincial Worthy President Brian Kersey. You both have done a wonderful job representing the Fraternal Order of Eagles this year.

I would like to thank all the Sisters in my Kamloops Auxiliary #3453 for their support again this year.

Looking forward to seeing all my Sister's and Brother's at Convention in Abbotsford, I know it will be a great success. See you in June

Yours In Sisterhood, Theresa Kleefeld, BC Provincial Madam Inside Guard

From BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Donna Roach:

Hello Sister's; Thank you to my Sisters at Prince George # 3318 for your unwavering support this past year and for once again supporting me as I seek to continue forward through the Provincial Offices.

To all my fellow Sisters throughout the Province, I look forward to seeing you all once again at Convention, please travel safe and I leave you with a thought. "Blessed are women whose hearts and souls are joined together by laughter and tears for they shall be known as SISTERS."

Fraternally Yours, Donna Roach, BC Provincial Madam Outside Guard, Prince George #3318

From BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Bev Bailey:

Hello Sister's; First of all I would like to thank Penticton Aerie and Auxiliary for all the courtesies shown to us at the Zone Conference, I would like to steal your cooks, what wonderful meals you prepared for us, awesome job. Thank you again.

Well Sister's it is that time again to see and meet new friends, Conventions is just a month away, and am looking forward to it, to see friends I don't get to see through the year, I hope you will enjoy the Convention, as I know Abbotsford has put a lot of hard work into it. Sister's please drive safely to Convention and home again.

To Sister Nancy from Cranbrook we will send you bubble wrap LOL

To all Sister's who have been sick or in hospital I wish you a speedy recovery. Will see you in Abbotsford
Fraternally, Bev Bailey, BC Provincial Madam Trustee, Vancouver #2075

From Provincial Madam Trustee, Klara Schubert:

Hello Sisters; I would like to wish everyone a HAPPY MOTHERS DAY. We had a very informative Executive Meeting in Victoria. We also had a very successful Thompson Okanagan Caribou Zone Conference in Penticton. It was the first time that I can remember that both our Provincial Presidents where present. Provincial Worthy President Brian and Provincial Madam President Edith, Thank you for attending our Zone Conference. We enjoyed having you both there. I hope you also enjoyed it. We also had a Workshop done by Donna Roach and myself, a first Time for me.

And in Vernon we are having a Pot Luck Dinner and Installation to follow on the 30th of May. We just finished a Big Banquet for 400 on Friday.

I am looking forward to the Provincial Convention in June the Executive Meeting and to the Ritual Competitions. My Condolences go out to Past Provincial Madam President Bridie Howarth's Family, a great loss, she will be missed.

Fraternally, Klara Schubert, BC Provincial Madam Trustee

From BC Provincial Trustee Shirley Hunt:

Hello Sister's; A big hello from Ladysmith #2101. Hope your all having a wonderful Spring and are getting ready for Convention. It will be so good to see you all again.

We are busy here getting ready for Installation of Officers and Mother's Day Tea.

Please drive carefully getting to Convention. Keep smiling and big hugs.

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

"Three Things In Life That, Once Gone, Never Come Back ~ Time~ Words~ Opportunity"

From Provincial Madam Trustee, Nancy Van Oosten:

Hello Sisters: It's hard to believe that another year is already coming to an end. I would like to thank all of you for your support this past year. I would also like to thank those of you who sent cards, visited and called after my fall in March. Things are healing slowly but coming along.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in Abbotsford in June and looking forward to joining you in another great year.

Fraternally Yours, Nancy Van Oosten, BC Provincial Madam Trustee

From Grand Madam Trustee, Lori Matheson:

Dear Sisters; I want to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who has sent me all the *Wonderful messages*. I have received emails, cards and phone calls from so many this past year. That warm and fuzzy feeling is always there with each one. Reminds me that, yes, we are family.

Provincial Madam President Edith and the current slate of Officers have done a great job this year. Congratulations! She *purred* all the way through.

I want to wish Incoming Provincial President Thelma and the new slate of Officers all the best for 2012-2013. I am sure you are ready to *step* up.

Sadly we have lost many this past year due to illness. I pray this finds each and everyone healthy and happy. Looking forward to seeing you at Convention where we can share a hug, a smile or a giggle.

Love, Lori Matheson, Grand Madam Trustee, Vancouver 2075

From Pacific Northwest Regional President, Sharon Johnston:

Hello to all my Sisters; A warm hello to all our Sisters in the Pacific Northwest Region. Hope this finds you all well and excited and ready for your Conventions. It is an extremely beautiful day as I write this and I trust that everyone's problems are small and we can enjoy getting together with our Fraternal Brothers and Sisters.

It has been an extreme honor for me to have been your Pacific Northwest Regional President for this past year. My term is finished at the annual Grand Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan and I would like to thank all of you for your help and support.

To the entire Local, Provincial, State, and Regional Charity Chairmen, I hope you were able to Communicate with each other and get all of your reports in – that's how we get all of our figures, etc. to Grand. I thank you again, for taking on these positions and have found it fulfilling seeing just how much our Region contributes to Charity.

Have a great summer and the best to you all for successful Conventions and making it a purr--fectly wonderful year.

Fraternally, Sharon Johnson, Pacific Northwest Regional President 2011-2012

From PGO - PPMP, Barbara Johnston:

Hello Sisters, My condolences to the family of Past Provincial Madam President Bridie Howarth. We have lost a wonderful Sister. May God hold her in the palm of his hands.

Sisters because Brother Keith is so very ill in hospital at this time I will not be attending the Provincial Convention. We Thank You for your Get Well Wishes and prayers.

I wish you a "Successful Convention" and I will miss all your smiling happy faces.

Fraternally, Barbara Johnston, PGO-PPMP

From Pacific Northwest Regional Alzheimer's/Parkinson's Chairman, Barbara Johnston:

To all the Alzheimer's/Parkinson's Charity Chairman and Auxiliary Sisters; Thank You for all your continued hard work to raise this Charity donation and awareness of the need for more research to concur this debilitating illness.

The total to be announced at the Provincial Convention will be a wonderful surprise for all; especially for our Provincial Madam President Edith. Congratulations.

Fraternally, Barbara Johnston, PGO, Pacific Northwest Regional Chairman

From Pacific Northwest Regional Alzheimer's/Parkinson's Chairman, Barbara Johnston:

To all the Auxiliary Charity Chairman for the BC Provincial Cancer Fund. Thank You and your Auxiliary Sisters for all the efforts to raise money for Provincial Cancer Research.

“Coins for Cancer” has been successful. Your totals will be announced at the Provincial Convention in June. There you can stand proud for us all.

Fraternally, Barbara Johnston, PGO, Provincial Cancer Chairman

From BC Provincial Children's Fund Chairman, Faye Cook:

Hello Sisters; Well summer is almost here! I have no idea where the year went but it sure flew by fast. I am looking forward to Convention and seeing everyone. I hope all your fundraising projects for our Charities went well.

To the sisters who are on the B.C. Children's Fund with me I will find out my schedule and put a notice up at Registration as to when and where we will meet to make a decision on the applications. It will probably be Thursday night at the Super 8. Hope to see you there.

Fraternally, Faye Cook, BC Provincial Madam Trustee and B.C. Children's Fund Chairman, Trail #2838

From BC Provincial Ritual Chairman, Bev Bailey:

Hello Sisters; **Provincial Ritual Competitions** will be held at the **Super 8 Motel, Thursday, June 7th, 2012. Competition Schedule is as follows:**

7:00 a.m. - Room A - Abbotsford Novice, 7:00 a.m. - Room B - Vernon B, 8:00 a.m. Room A - Vernon Novice

The Ritual Rooms are on the main floor just left of the Lobby. Congratulations to all the teams, you are all winners. We had four (4) teams entered from the Island.

I would like to thank all Committee Members for the hard work they have done and will be doing.

REMEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING MY ROOM WEDNESDAY 5:30 p.m. SHARP. SUPER 8

Fraternally Yours, Bev Bailey, BC Provincial Ritual Chairman, Vancouver #2075

From BC Provincial Heart Chairman, Louise Yuris:

Hello Sister's, Thank you to all the Auxiliary Sisters who have worked hard this term raising funds for the Heart and Stroke and all of our Charities. Without your dedication and caring we could not do it.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at Convention this June.

Fraternally, Louise Yuris, BC Provincial Heart Chairperson, Trail #2838



From BC Provincial Spinal Cord Chairman, Charlotte Bond:

Hello Sister's; I hope some of our Sister's and Brother's were able to join in the festivities as the Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion travelled through our Province celebrating the twenty fifth (25th) Anniversary of Rick's first "Wheel in Motion" around the world. We were fortunate to have him travel through Nelson and the Kootenay's, it was a great celebration.

Please remember what this amazing Charity has done for all those with Spinal Cord Injuries. This was only possible with all your efforts raising hundreds of thousands of dollars to help. This shows what special people the Fraternal Order of Eagles are. Go Eagles Go!

We all look forward to presenting a cheque to this worthy Charity at our BC Provincial Convention in June.

Look forward to seeing everyone in June.

Fraternally, Charlotte Bond, Spinal Cord Chairperson, Nelson #22

From PPMP, Charleen Proznick:

Hello Sister's; Convention is fast approaching and I wish to thank the Auxiliaries who submitted names for the Hall of Fame.

Nomination Interviews will be held on Wednesday, June 6th, 2012 starting at 7:00 p.m. I will contact each of the Sisters with applications from their Auxiliary to confirm the place.

I am looking forward to seeing you all next month.

Fraternally, Charleen Proznick, PPMP

From PPMP, Linda Vipond:

Dear Sisters, I am slowly getting better. Will not be too long and everything will just be a memory that I have. Thank You for all the Cards, Calls and Visits after my Surgery. They all made me feel better. The flowers were ever so beautiful.

"Thank You" again. See you all at Convention.

Fraternally, Linda Vipond, PPMP

From PPM, Madeleine Prive:

Hello Sisters : "Never underestimate the Power of Love, Caring and Thoughtfulness of your Eagle Sisters."

My oldest sister Henny had been sick with Alzheimer for the past five (5) years, and the Sisters from Port Alberni have been there checking up on her, reporting back to me faithfully, taking time to do things with and for her, and attending her funeral as a group of caring sisters. Henny heard me talking about the Eagles for so many years that she finally joined the Port Alberni club, where she enjoyed their friendship and sisterhood.

Madeleine Prive; Past Provincial Mother 2003/2004

From Joanne Mallet #22:

Hello Sisters; Thank you to all my Sisters who sent prayers, cards, and words of comfort at the loss of my mother. They meant the world to me. It reaffirmed for me that wonderful caring people make the Eagles organization what it is today. Never underestimate the power of words of caring and kindness.

Fraternally, Joanne Mallett, Nelson #22



NEWS FROM THE AUXILIARIES:

KAMLOOPS #3453:

Hello Sister's; We have had a very exciting year, with our Social Committee in full swing. The Ladies Auxiliary have started a Monthly Cake Walk which to date has been a great success. We are now hosting dinners when the Aerie puts on a dance.

In April we held a Charity Dinner Dance with the proceeds going to Camp Good Times, and I am pleased to say it was completely sold out. A total for the Camp is not available as we are still selling tickets for our Basket Draw to be held on Mother's Day. The Aerie will be serving breakfast on Mother's Day.

The Kamloops Annual Fishing Derby is slated for August 10th, 11th and 12th at Roach Lake. We look forward to having many Brothers'; Sister's and Families join us, for which has always been a great time.

Hope to see you on your holiday travels this summer.

Fraternally, Theresa Kleefeld, Secretary Kamloops Auxiliary #3453

MAPLE RIDGE #2831:

Greetings Sisters; I imagine that everyone is getting revved up for Convention, but first comes Installation on May 27th.

We have had some Catering to keep us busy and more coming up. Our Brothers treated us to a great Mother's Day Breakfast. It was a wonderful day with weather to match.

Our hearts and prayers go out to PPMP Bridie Howarth's family as well as Abbotsford #2726 Aerie and Auxiliary. Sister Bridie was much loved and will be missed by all.

Yours in Sisterhood, Doris Krisko

NELSON #22:

Hello Sisters; Happy Spring to all of our Sister's and their Families. We are keeping busy with Catering. At this time we are preparing a beautiful big basket for the first baby born in Nelson on or after Mother's Day. This has been a tradition for many years now and much appreciated by the new Mother who will receive it.

Our Installation of Officers will be held on May 27th, 2012 at 3:00 pm at the Eagles Hall, Dinner at 5:30, if you are in the area please join us and RSVP so we know you are coming for dinner. You may call 250-352-5116 for more information.

We look forward to seeing you at Convention.

We send our Condolences to all those who have lost any family, friends, long time Eagle members. Also our Get Well wishes to everyone who is or has been sick, we do hope you will be feeling better soon.

Sending our best regards to all, Fraternaly the Sister's of Nelson Auxiliary Nelson #22



"Life Is Like A Rose, More Exquisite And Precious

When Shared With Friends"



NEW WESTMINSTER #20:

Greetings Sisters from New Westminster Auxiliary #20; We hope that you have had a successful and productive term this past year. We are looking forward to seeing you all at Convention in Abbotsford, where we can renew old friendships and make new ones as we always do.

Things are winding down for us as the summer approaches with not too many events happening during the summer months. We celebrate our 85th Anniversary next week and then have our Installation of Officers at the end of the month. Things will pick up again come September.

All of you have a good Spring and Summer.
Submitted by, Vera Gjestrum, Secretary

NORTHWEST #2638:

Hello to all the sisters from Northwest Auxiliary Sisters. We have had an interesting year, albeit a fairly quiet one. The two Baby Baskets that we do annually to the first boy and girl born on Mother's Day will be delivered to Lions Gate Hospital on Mother's Day by our Madam President, Bev, and Auxiliary Mother, Yvonne.

We will be having a Joint Installation and Pin Night on May 28th at 8:00pm, in our banquet hall, so if anyone would like to come out and join us they would be most welcome. We are in the process of getting ready for Convention and everyone is looking forward to it. A Joint Meeting was held last week and there are lots of new ideas coming forward for next year, so we'll keep you posted and hope you will attend some of our functions.

PARKSVILLE #3922:

Hello Sisters; Greetings from Parksville #3922. We have been busy this last month, catered a Wedding, and a Dart Banquet. On May 5th we celebrated our Aerie's thirty second (32nd) Anniversary with success. A big "Thank You" goes out to Campbell River, Ladysmith, Nanaimo and Victoria for your tremendous support. We certainly appreciate it.

We are now getting ready for our Mother's Day Tea on May 12th. On June 16th, we are having a 50's and 60's Dinner and Dance. Tickets are Pre-Sale only. Flashback Freddie will be our entertainment for the evening.

In closing, let me say it was a great year for the Ladies Auxiliary and we hope next year will be even better. I would like to thank all the Volunteers in the Auxiliary and other Auxiliaries and Aeries who have helped us in any way.

This secretary will be on holiday until September. Have a Safe and Happy Summer everyone.
Respectfully Submitted, Jackie Anderson, Secretary

PENTICTON #4281:

To All Our Sisters; Penticton hosted the Okanagan Cariboo Zone Conference at the end of April, and we were so pleased to see so many "Outsiders" attend. It was great to have Provincial Madam President Edith and Provincial Worthy President Brian in attendance as well as some other attendees from the Coast. As always, it was nice to see Sister Joan Klit, who lends a hand where needed when she comes here.

The presentation by Crime Stoppers, which was arranged by Eric Harry, was such a nice addition, and I think we all learned a lot about that Organization that we had no clue about.

CONTINUED FROM PENTICTON #4281:

Once again, Penticton Auxiliary, a wonderful job raising money for Charity this year. Everyone worked hard to get the most benefit for their causes. Ruth Carey has asked me to thank everyone who helped her with raising money for the BC Children’s Hospital, Cancer Department, and also wants to thank those who bought her books of inspiration which is also part of her fund raiser for the BC Children’s. If you have not seen her books and you get a chance to, they are truly a wonderful gift for someone, or to just keep for yourself. She just may have some with her at Convention in June.

Wishing all of our British Columbia Sisters a great upcoming new term, and we’re also sending our good wishes for great accomplishments to our new incoming Provincial Officers.

Fraternally, Shirley Pedersen, Secretary, Penticton Auxiliary #4281

PRINCE GEORGE # 3318:

Hello Sisters: Prince George #3318 will be holding their Installation of Officers on Saturday, May 26th, if you are going to be travelling thru please come and join us for this wonderful event.

June 22nd -24th is our annual Fishing Derby being held once again at Vivian Lake, for more info please email ladiesaux-foe3318@hotmail.com and you will be sent all the details. There are Campsites and a few Cabins available for rent.

Have a great time at Convention and safe summer everyone.

Fraternally, Donna Roach, Secretary, Prince George #3318

TRAIL #2838:

Hello Sisters: The Auxiliary and Aerie have been busy doing a Joint Breakfast every third Sunday of the Month and has a wonderful response from our Members and the Community.

The Auxiliary and Aerie were also very busy with the Trail Silver City Days which took place from Wednesday, May 9th to May 13th; our weather is finally cooperate and we had lots of sunny hot days during this week. The Aerie Brothers put a Mother’s Day Picnic for us on Sunday May 13th they cooked and cleaned, what a treat.

The Auxiliary does a Mother’s Day Baby Basket up for the first baby born on or the closest to Mother’s Day. Our Madam President will be presenting the Babies Basket this year to the Mother and little Baby Girl that was born this past Monday, after presenting the basket for the last few years to a Baby Boy we are excited to be able to present the basket to a Baby Girl.

Trail Auxiliary and Aerie are in the process of finalizing the plans for the Third Annual Eagles Picnic which is also being done jointly again this year with our Brother’s and Sister’s from Rossland Aerie and Auxiliary. The picnic is going to be held on July 7th, 2012 and this year we will hold it at the Warfield Hall.

The Trail Sisters have done a great job working on their “Foot of Quarters” for the Diabetes Research Center and ended this term with “66 Feet of Quarters”. They started it after our first Meeting in October and we will continue it again for the new term.

Our meeting nights are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Provincial Convention in Abbotsford this June.

Fraternally, Joan Klit, Secretary, Trail #2838

VANCOUVER # 2075:

Hello Sisters; We are starting to slow down for the summer but still have a few Event's coming up, Parking Lot sale May 12th, 10.00 a.m. to ????? The Installation of Officers on May 24th. Father's Day Dinner will be on June 15th, at 6:00 p.m.

To all who have been sick or in hospital we wish you a speedy recovery.
Fraternally, Bev Bailey, Secretary, Vancouver #2075

VICTORIA #12:

Hello from the Island; Things are going smoothly. We still hold our Jam Session and BBQ's on the last Sunday of each Month. Accept for the summer months.

We send "Best Wishes" to all the Provincial Officers on a successful and harmonious Convention. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again.

Cheers, Pat Robinson, Secretary, Victoria #12

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 Edith 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

 *"Three Things In Life That You Should Never Lose"* 
Hope ~ Peace ~ Honesty

 *"Three Things In Life That Are Most Valuable"* 
Love ~ Family/Friends ~ Kindness

 *"Three Things That Makes A Person"* 
Commitment ~ Sincerity ~ Hard Work

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.

2010 CONVENTION COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS: Co-Chairman - Rachel Thompson #3032 Co-Chairman - Sandra Winters #2831

**Pat Robinson #12 – Diane Beckensell #2690 – Lynda Royal #2546 – Pat Sayce #2546
Beverly Brown #2638 – Anna Bernard #20 – Leanne Hues #3557 – Tina Gibson #4281 –
Doreen Morgan #3453 – Carol Darlington #3097 – Louise Alexander #2726**

ELECTIONS: Chairman: Bobbi Williamson #2101 Co-Chairman: Angie Fletcher #2101

**Sharon Coburn #12 – Sharon Radulovich #2838 – Arlene Bone #3557
Dot Bryan #22 - Mary Phillips #3318 - Fern Brown #4400
Mineva Hawkins #2690 – Ora Lucas #2075 - Lynne Martin #2831 –
Gloria Finstad #4281 Evelyn Torrence #3557 - Joyce Fredland #2831**

REOLUTIONS: Chairman – Louise Yuris #2838

**Gail MacDonald #2546 – Connie Gellatly #3453 – Brenda Craig #4281 – Alice Crosson #3318
Rose Okrane #2638 – Gloria Womack #2838 - Denise Fransbergen #3557 - Maryanne Henderson #2096**

BY-LAWS: Chairman - Leigh Lawrence #12 Co-Chairman: Nancy Sauvageau #2101

Renee German #2726 – Anne Van Balkom #2638 – Debra Legeard #3318 - Doreen Ellison #3557

FINANCE: Chairman - Marilyn Lewis#3097

Irene Konanz#20 – Doris Taks #3557 – Sharon Boyne #3831 – Barb Calve #12 - Brenda Byrne #3453

ATTENTION ALL SECRETARIES

**Please complete this form and return it to the Provincial Membership Chairperson by
June 1st, 20__**

AUXILIARY NAME & NUMBER _____

SECRETARY'S NAME _____

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON _____

NUMBER INITATED ON PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT'S VISIT _____

NUMBER INITATED IN APRIL (2nd Chance Month) _____

NAMES OF ALL SISTERS WITH PERFECT ATTENDANCE (20 Meetings)

Please PRINT clearly. List additional names on back of sheet

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Please send new Members names to me as quickly as possible before the end of May so that we may include them in our count for this year. The figures do not arrive from Grand Aerie until June 15th, so be sure to send a copy of your Reports to me so that you will be credited Provincially.

When you come to Convention please don't forget your "President's Theme" entry and any Trophies your Auxiliary won last year.

See you at Convention.

Fraternally,

FOE Provincial Auxiliary Membership Chairman