## Qualicum Beach Seniors' Activities Centre



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~ OPEN ~
Monday to Friday
9:00 am - 3:30 pm

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t has been a busy year at the centre. I am pleased to see so many new members. And, so many enthusiastic volunteers.

We just had our annual Volunteer Appreciation Day. At this, the Board arranges the event and serves the volun-

teers. It is our way of saying thank you.

I encourage all of you to join in and volunteer. Per-

sonally, I sub when needed and my favourite place to sub is in the kitchen, my next favourite is at the Greeters Desk.

Unfortunately, the summer has been extremely dry with a record number of forest fires. Let us hope that it will give us enough rain to recover from the drought.

On the plus side, we have been able to enjoy the outdoors, so let us be thankful for that.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the Centre.





Sunday, August 13, 4:00

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Sign-up sheet at centre.

Back Porch Banjo Entertaining

Chicken & Kibs

Limited Seating

## ~ SUNDAY ~

**CONTRACT BRIDGE - 6:30 pm** Wolfgang Dost 594-4513 wolf.dust@yahoo.ca

#### ~ MONDAY ~

### KNITTING/CROCHET for MANNA

9:30 - 11:30 ~ Jan 250 738-1040 jancurtis5431@gmail.con

#### **MEMBERSHIP OFFICE WORK**

11:30-3:00 p.m Anne 250 752-9771

**YOGA:** 9:30—10:30: **CHAIR YOGA:** 11:00-12:00 Jane 228-1157 - \$8 janeloney@hotmail.com

### **QB UKULELE BAND:** 12:30—2:30

Catherine 250 752-9082 mckhan2@shaw.ca

**BEGINNER UKULELE** 3:00 - 4:00 - Henk 954-9484 hcverkerkis@gmail.com

**LINE DANCE 1—** 3:00 - 4:00 **LINE DANCE 11—** 4:00 - 5:00 \$5 for 1 & 11 **BALLROOM DANCE PRACTICE** 

> 5:00—6:00 pm Judy 250 752-6837 judypalipowski@gmail.com

#### ~ TUESDAY~

**FUN BRIDGE:** 9:00 – 12:00 Al Gagnon 250 596-2500 algagnon006@gmail.com

## **TUESDAY LOUNGE GROUP FULL**

9:00-10:00 Helen 250 752-7274 helenhere1199@shaw.ca

### **CB TUNES**

3:00 - 4:30

#### August 8

Court 250 951-2572 brook@shaw.ca

WHIST: 12:30—2:30 Except in lounge 1st Tuesday Sally Jagger 250 752-3556 sallyajagger@gmail.com

## **SONGBIRDS:** 3:00—4:30 **Back September 12**

Diana Meyer 250 752-4856 Diana.meyer@outlook.com

#### RAMBLERS PRACTICE

6:00-8:30

Colin Craig: goodison95@shaw.ca CLEANING: 4:30—7:30 pm

## ~ WEDNESDAY ~

**HATHA YOGA** with Any Mac 10:00-11:15 - **\$8** a session 250 228-0518 animacg@hotmail.com

**DOMINOES** ~ 10:00- 12:00 Audrey 250 752-9134 amishbell@shaw.ca

## **SPANISH CONVERSATION** BACK IN SEPTEMBER

11:30—12:30 Harvey 594-5915 landed@telus.net

**CHAIR YOGA:** 1:00-2:00 \$8. - Jane 228-1157 janeloney@hotmail.com

**BOOK CLUB: 2:15—3:15** First Wednesday of every month Gail Smith 905 808-4585 Xgail.smith@gmail.com

**TOPS:** Weigh-in 3:45—5:00 Elaine 250 594-3604 repac5@shaw.ca

#### PARKSVILLE/QUALICUM FOUNDATION

5:30-6:30 Monthly Pat Weber 951-1159 patrick-weber@shaw.ca

**A CAPPELLA:** 7:00—9:30 Marion 250 468-9280

## ~ THURSDAY ~ **BEGINNER BRIDGE**

(Start up will be end of September) 9:30-11:30 - \$8 -Peter 250 586-5740 psegers@gmail.com **DARTS:** 10:00-12:15

Bernie Brockway 757-2330 berniebrockway82@msn.com

### **DROP-IN BRIDGE:** 12:30—3:00 Barbara Wade - 250 228-4233 barrickwade@yahoo.ca



PROBLEMS with your **ELECTRONIC DEVICES?** Call TECHNOL-

OFF UNTIL SEPTEMBER

OGY **TUTOR BRIAN** at 250 947-8258

tlc@sd69.bc.ca or book your own appointment:

#### ~ THURSDAY ~

LINE DANCING—4-5 Cancelled Aug. 24 **BALLROOM DANCE - cancelled Aug. 24** 5:00—6:00 pm—\$5

PRACTICE TIME: 6-7 cancel Aug 24

Judy Palipowski 250 752-6837 judypalipowski@gmail.com

#### ~ FRIDAY ~

## **UKULELE IS FULL**- 10-12 WAIT LIST ONLY

Maureen 250 594-6071 maureenjames@shaw.ca

## **INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN MAHJONG**

10:00—12:00 Inger 250 951-9298 inger-weber@shaw.ca

MAHJONG 1:00-3:00 Chic 250 752-6846 senchic40@gmail.com

**ART GROUP:** 1:00—3:00 Beryl 250 752-9200 arieslady3847@gmail.com **CLEANING** 4:30—7:30

## ~ SATURDAY ~

**HATHA YOGA** with Richard 10:00—11:00 Anne 752-9771—\$8 a session sharp44@shaw.ca

NOTE: extra copies of the Activities List are in a basket by the Greeters desk. Please check for any changes that may have taken place over the month.



## LUNCH on MONDAY



MIKE'S QUICHE

with crew Barry & John

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16

BILL & VERDELLE'S CHILI

w/Corn Meal Muffin

## THURSDAY LUNCH



CATHY & BRENDA'S CREAMY CLAM **CHOWDER** 

## LUNCH on FRIDAY



MIKE'S CHICKEN with crew John & Betty

## Greetings from the Cookie Cutters

Another month has flown by, despite the warm temperatures, our bakers continue to provide home baked treats for the kitchen. As is usual with summer however, many are taking a break whether a staycation or heading further afield.



We would welcome new bakers to fill in the gaps. If you are interested and would like more information, please call or text me (Brenda) at 604 379-0290 or email me at Charles.brenda@me.com.

This month I have a different recipe to try. It is a vegan fudge brownie. No weird ingredients, but it is made without eggs or dairy, although you could substitute milk for soy milk if you prefer. It is very chocolatey!



## **VEGAN FUDGE BROWNIES HAPPY SNACKING!**

I-I/2 cups unbleached flour 1/2 cup cocoa

I-I/2 cups brown sugar

I-I/2 tsps baking soda

3/4 tsp baking powder

3/4 cup coffee

1/3 cup vegetable oil

3/4 cup soy milk

1/2 cup walnuts, roasted and chopped

1/2 cup carob chips.

Preheat oven to 325 deg. Prepare 9x9" pan. Grease and line with parchment paper.

Sift together dry ingredients in a bowl. Stir coffee, oil and milk in a separate bowl, combine wet and dry ingredients and mix well. Stir in walnuts and pour batter into pan. Sprinkle with carob chips and bake for 25 minutes or until an inserted toothpick comes out clean. Cool on rack.

## **50 APPLES**



**WANTED BY SEPTEMBER 5th** 

... to make Apple Strudel and some **PLUMS** for a gluten-free dessert to serve at the Ramblers SOS Fundraiser on September 16th, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Will come and pick.

Call Judy at 250 752-6837

- $\Delta$  .My friend Jack says he can communicate with vegetables. That's right, Jack and the beans talk.
- △ My friend said she wouldn't eat cow's tongue because it came out a cow's mouth. I gave her an egg..
- $\Delta$  Black-Eyed Peas can sing us a song, but the chick peas can only hummus

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER **DEADLINE - Tuesday Aug., 29** lilapat@shaw.ca 250 752-6489  $\Delta$  .I've started investing in stocks: beef, vegetable, chicken. One day I hope to be a bouillianaire.



Thank You IAN, for mounting a shelf for the First Aid Kit ... now in a safe place for easy access.



Happy Birthday Julie, delicious cake at the beach, 'pretend flames' on candles. A perfect day.

A HAPPY 103rd BIRTHDAY! ULLA GALL celebrated her birthday with friends. family (and the drive-by Firemen) on July 19th. A perfect day to join together and celebrate this milestone event.



## **Saturday, September 9th**

8:30 am to 10:30 am A group of TURKISH folks, part of the Qualicum Beach Rotarian Friendship Program, will visit

The Centre to enjoy a

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

ONLY \$8.00. Join us to welcome and meet these new friends!!

Open to all members. Sign up on the posted sheet on the activities board. Please pay at the door

## Other Thoughtful Wishes

this is my wish for you:

on difficult days, smiles

when sadness intrudes,

rainbows to follow the clouds,

hugs

to kiss your lips,

sunsets to warm your heart, when spirits sag,

comfort

friendships to brighten your being, beauty for your eyes to see,

faith so that you can believe,

contidence for when you doubt,

patience to accept the truth, courage to know yourself,

to complete your life.

## THE "HEALTHY" CORNER

## Six summer safety

Here are six summer safety tips for seniors living on Vancouver Island

## **STAY HYDRATED**

The most important thing to do during the summer is to make sure you are drinking enough fluids and eating fruits and vegetables to stay hydrated, even if you are not feeling thirsty. Remember that caffeinated and alcoholic beverages should also be minimized as they dehydrate your body.

### PROTECT YOUR SKIN & EYES FROM THE SUN

Wearing sunscreen should already be part of your daily routine, but if it's recommended that sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher is worn every time you are outside. It's also recommended seniors wear sunglasses protecting your eyes from the sun's UV rays so that they don't get irritated or damaged.

## **AVOID THE OUTDOORS DURING PEAK TIME**

During summer, there are certain times throughout the day that are considered peak times where the sun is at its strongest and can cause greater fatigue for longer periods.

## tips for Seniors

If it's possible, try to avoid or limit your time outdoors between 10 am and 4 pm.

## **WEAR WHITER CLOTHES**

By wearing loose fitting clothing that isn't too thick or bulky, you can stay comfortable for a longer period of time in the summer. If you avoid tight, constricting pieces of clothing, you will avoid constricting your joints and over producing sweat. Natural fabrics such as cotton are the best to keep you cool.

## **REDUCE STRENUOUS ACTIVITIES**

Although the nice weather may have you excited to do a bunch of activities outside, strenuous activities should not be done for longer periods of time as you will feel more exhausted and are at a greater risk of dehydration.

## WATCH FOR SIGNS OF A HEAT STROKE

Knowing the early signs of a heat stroke can help save your life and lives of those around you.

Signs of a heat stroke are disorientation, confusion, headache, nausea, dry skin, and a rapid pulse.



July 22 was the night the Senior Centres' VOLUN-TEERS were welcomed to the special evening arranged by the Board to show their appreciation of all the time and energy they put in to make our centre such a valuable place for all to enjoy.

There was fabulous food, lively entertainment by Denise & John Charon, and, of course, dining with

friends and meeting new members while enjoying their delicious meal. Mayor Teunis Westbroek dropped in, and many thanks to Les McLean for the photos. Special thanks to Lorne, Bonnie, Judy P, Pat, Ann, John. Court (the 'pro bartender') lan, George, and Barry for all the work spent over many weeks to make this event very special ... and a special night it was! Door prizes were assembled by Lila including wine donated by Pat.





# Talk

## Watch the website: www.qbseniors.com for updates on all of the trips being planned





## August 16 - \$145

A second opportunity to visit this amazing event. Incl. coach to Victoria, entry to exhibit & lunch at the Old Farm Market,. Witness Vincent's art leap from the frame and come to life all around. Explore over 300 of Vincent's greatest works throughout his career. Poster with full details and sign up sheet on travel bulletin board at the Centre.



# Cowichan Wine Tour with a twist August 30 - \$130

An amazing journey through Cowichan / Valley, visit 2 of Vancouver Island's finest wineries w/special lunch at Merridale Cidery Restaurant & Bakery. Price includes

Coach from Qualicum Beach Civic Centre, tours and tastings at the wineries. 3 course lunch with drinks at Merridale Cidery Restaurant & Bakery and a stop to shop at the Old Farm Market

## Reyond Van Gogh: the Immersive Experience



July 20, groups from Campbell River and Qualicum Beach travelled to Victoria to enjoy the "Van Gogh Immersive Experience."

We stopped at the Old Farm Market for lunch, then on to Victoria to the Starry Night Pavilion at Bayview Place, built to feature 300 Vincent

Van Gogh's greatest works showcasing 'Starry Night, Sunflowers and Café Terrace at Night.' and many more Masterpieces. This exhibit is an imaginative and fully immersible adventure. His art is freed from frames and is a 3D projection of technology & music, allowing guests to experience this with all their senses.

As we entered the exhibit, there were Van Gogh's personal letters displayed to his beloved brother Theo. This helped guests learn more about the man behind the madness and magnificence.

And then, we entered The Immersive Room where the Masterpieces came alive as paint brushes swirled, danced, and moved around the room. There were rippling waves, blossoms blowing in the breeze like when Van Gogh painted them. Some eyes even winked at the ladies, and I did see smoke drifting upwards from a pipe.

The group wandered through the room at their leisure, then it was time to board the bus and head home. We stopped once again at the Old Farm Market to stretch our legs, buy some local products and taste the best ice cream ever!

What an amazing day this was for the group. We all agreed that this was way more than we expected to experience.

From Cynthia Crawford

## Exhibition 2023 August 24 - \$99

QB Seniors travel to Vancouver on August 24 for a day at the PNE. The price of \$99 includes bus, ferry, and entrance to the PNE. If under age 65, please add \$25.



This trip is hosted by Island Fever Travel. The poster with full details and sign-up sheet is on the Travel Bulletin Board.

## September.16 - 18

**\$899** dble. **\$1199** single

Enjoy our Getaway to **Kelowna** & **Summerland**. We visit the historic Kettle Valley Railway with a BBQ lunch, stop at a winery for wine tasting & brewery stop for lunch. Dinner cruise on the lake. Coach from QB. Sign up sheet on bulletin board. Cheque to Square 1 Travel.



## HOLLAND AMERICA 50th ANNIVERSARY SEPT. 30 – OCT. 7

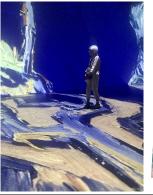
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**Cruise to Alaska.** Shore excursion credit USD \$50; Onboard credit USD \$50; beverage package, WIFI, specialty dining and home pickup and transfers from QB to cruise pier. See travel board for pricing and sign-up sheet.











Tuesday, 8th of Aug.
3:00 to 4:30

# Old songs, bring music, sing, play, watch, smile, have fun, reminisce, be happy?

Court Brooker, 250-951-2572, brook@shaw.ca



## Now that's Community!

Bill Cove turns 90 and rather than a birthday present, asks if he can skydive again to help support a local community service—Oceanside Hospice. Judy Southern and Berwick Qualicum says yes, what a great idea and asks Pat Weber to contact Vancouver Island Skydive, Oceanside Hospice and Berwick QB to see what can be done. Berwick QB gets Ber-

wick Parksville involved. Volunteers were needed and Royal Bank provided 5 volunteers and donated \$1,500 to the event. Staff at Crown Isle donated a gift certificate for their own golf community plus one from Crown Mansion. Vancouver Island Skydive is excited and talks to the food trucks on site and they agree to be there for food and the owners of Arbutus Meadows are thrilled to be a part of it all.

The result, a birthday to remember for Bill: six skydivers from the QB Seniors, three from Berwick Parksville and two from Berwick QB who have a great time, a great experience for the Royal Bank volunteers and an amazingly successful fundraiser for Oceanside Hospice, about \$10,000. Thank you Bill for inspiring your community.

From Pat Weber









# ...and WIN \$25!

Find and describe where the Centres Logo is hidden in this newsletter (<u>NOT in the headline or this form</u>) and drop into the jar provided on the table by the Greeters desk. Winner will be phoned when ready for pickup at the Centre. One winner per month

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Name &	phone:	 	

# JULY WINNER: Mary Ann Maybroda Logo found on page 3 Cookie 'CutterS' THANKS to all who participate in this fun contest.



**AUGUST**: Bluegrass BBQ

**SEPTEMBER:** Pancake Breakfast with

Turkish Visitors, Rambler SOS Fund Raiser, Fowl

Supper, Movie Night

OCTOBER: AGM, Halloween Scavenger Hunt &

Trick or Treats for the Kids, Active Aging Week

**NOVEMBER:** Moonlight Madness Open House, Craft

Sale

# Welcome New Members

Bill Cove Maeva Lowen Liz Matson Brigitta McDonald Suzan Neugebauer Anne Douglas Beverly Maccarato Jim Cairns
Elaine Floyd
Candy Ashbridge
Alison Bakker
Sally Shivers
Bonnie Robertson

## CONGRATULATIONS PHYLLIS ROBERTSON

Winner of our monthly draw for a GIFT CARD from

SWELL SWEETS

With Thanks

Do you know muffins spelled backwards is what you do when you take them out of the oven?

# "We look foreward to getting to know you"

I have been threatened a beating with a rolled up wet newsletter if I do not print the following from Judy Southern. I love doing this 'job', and pleased I had the experience in the workforce to be able to do so. I appreciate all the positive comments from so many...it is most gratifying. (This against my wishes!)

In July's newsletter one person was missed in the Special Thank You paragraph. Somehow, the name of Lila Greene was omitted. She is our volunteer who spends countless hours at her computer compiling the Centre's superb monthly publication—12 months every year. She is also the one who writes up our bi-monthly item for the PBQ News ad.

For many years she made the chili for the lunch at the Centre every 3rd Wednesday—as well as countless buckets of soup. As well she organized or helps out considerably at more than one of our 'Feasts' every year (coming up is the September Fowl Supper). And, almost forgot, does all the posters whenever we need one, and I'm sure I've missed other stuff. Not only that, she avoids mentioning her name when the accolades are distributed. She deserves a huge number of those accolades! Judy Southern

# Centre News

Year to date as of June 30, 2023

1034 Members – 130 Regular, 78 Complimentary, 23 Life, 2 Honorary To June 30th, of the 130 Regular 61 were New Members

A REMINDER: As many of you have renewed, please remember to request the newsletter mailed to you...only \$10 for the year. Thanks so much to all who've already registered for the 2023/24 season

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