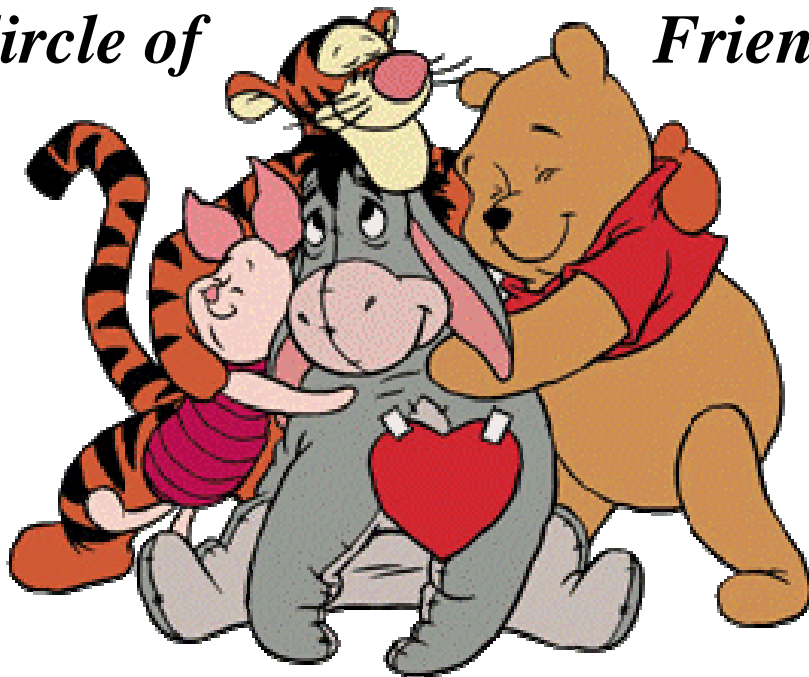


B.C. Royal Purple Association

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Circle of Friends



Special Edition
February 2007

HELLO!

Royal Purple Members and Friends,

It is my pleasure to serve as the BC Royal Purple President for 2006/2007. Thank you to all for the past and future support! Please make the opportunity to communicate with me and the Association throughout this term, with any items of interest. We would appreciate being able to assist or be a part of any endeavours, celebrations or ongoing processes. We would love to be a part of your proud accomplishments and other ongoing work! Our focus is to help our Lodges with any requests that you make of us.

Please allow me to share my motto with you.... **“A Circle of Friends”**

“We have a beginning, We have NO end. Because we are a Circle of Friends.”

Hopefully each of us can use this thought as we proceed with our volunteering as Members of this Organization; as well as in our daily lives. We **can** overcome any difficulties or personality conflicts. Let's find **solutions to situations.....** and proceed with **positive outcomes**. It's time to be more active with Retention of our Members and Recruitment of new ones. Let's help ourselves to assist our organization to grow and prosper. Each of us has a part to play in this project. So, as the saying goes....

“Let's just do it!”

To all Royal Purple! Thank you for being Members! Congratulations for every Royal Purple thing you do! To each and every member! because you are necessary and important. Please remember, all of us are equal to each other. Some of us just have different jobs to do at times!

Sisterly Love and Hugs,

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2006 / 2007**

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Fund Raising Events

Osoyoos RP Craft Fair March 11 / 07 everyone welcome!

North Kamloops – every second meeting of the month, i.e. 3rd Thursday, we are making crafts and socializing, preparing for Spring Craft Sales.

What does your Lodge do for Fund Raising ?? Please tell us!

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Provincial Forward Planning Committee

Be sure to get your **WACKY PHOTO** in for the **WACKY PHOTO CONTEST**, to be judged at the Conference in Vancouver, June 3rd, 4th and 5th, 2007.

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Fund Raising Committee (Yvonne Brown chairman)

Ladies, please remember all those items that you and your “Circle of Friends” can save!

Canadian Tire money

Campbell Soup labels

Tabs from pop / beer cans / “quick open tins” of all kinds

Tin Foil and foil pie plates etc.

And remember to use your Husky Rebate cards. If you would like more of these cards, please ask the Provincial Fund Raising Chairman or the President.

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Dates for District Meetings

District # 1, April 14th at Vancouver # 1

District # 2, April 1st at Chilliwack # 10 in the Masonic Hall

District # 3, April 28th at Nanaimo # 16 in the Legion

District # 4, April 28th at Clearwater # 302 in the Elks Hall

District # 6, April 21st at Prince George # 48

District # 7, April 15th at Osoyoos # 240

District # 8, April 21st at Prince Rupert # 8

District #10, April 15th at Salmon Arm # 279

*** “Treat everyone as though they are precious because you might throw away a diamond while you thought you were sorting out the stones.”

New Kids On The Block

Congratulations to all Lodges that have retained or recruited members!

Campbell River - Yvonne Scarff, Mandy Dixon-MacManus, Dianne Folster, Anne Simonsen, Donna Zeigler and Sharron Makus after 10 years absence in another country.

North Kamloops – Rita Speedtsberg, Laurel Burant, Nora Scallon, Myrtle Seifert, Sue Bonner

Lillooet – Grethe Shand and Margaret Montminy

Who has joined your Lodge ? Please tell us !

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Sisters On The Move

Sandy Siverson (Greyland) from North Kamloops to Salmon Arm

Lydia Schellenberg from Calgary to North Kamloops

Liz Pastorchik from Osoyoos to Salmon Arm

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In Loving Memory

Chilliwack - Betty Kreiger passed away January 25 / 07, unexpectedly from a fall.

North Kamloops - We miss our Ladies: PDD Velita Alcock,
PDD Mabel (Mabs) Allison, Sadae Kobayashi, PHRL Vera Seminoff

Williams Lake - Leona Moore – September 13 / 06. She was initiated June 1950

Mission – Flora Wilson LM

Oliver – Frances Wilson LM

Kelowna - PDD Pauline Antifaev – December 29 / 06

Keremeos - Juanita Babyn – December 27 / 06

Nanaimo – Gerry Newman – February 16 / 07

Lillooet – Olive Priddy

Smithers – Orlene Franson – One of the longest serving members of RP of Canada

Special Thoughts for our Sisters

Special thoughts go out to Jo-Ann Martin and anyone else who is suffering from any illness or distress.

Sincere appreciation to Jo-Ann Martin who has resigned as 2nd Vice due to her health situation. Also to Sharon McGregor who has resigned as “Hands Across BC” editor due to work commitments. See you both back here when your situation allows.

Wish from North Kamloops Royal Purple to Provincial President Regina MacLean for safe driving and productive visits.

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Service Awards

Kelowna – presented on February 6th with our Provincial President Regina MacLean in attendance.

Barbara Ferris – LM – 55 years

Pat Bassett – LM – 50 years

Helen Anderson, Clare Smith – 45 years

Evelyn Kusch – 40 years

Audrey Casavant – 35 years

Elsie Dash – 30 years

Elaine Freeman, Connie McNair – 20 years

Leola Moskal – 5 years

North Kamloops

45 years - Thelma Bilyk, Yvonne Brown, Avis Eeles, Helen Gathercole,
Leona Ketsa, Connie Lestander, Maxine (Mickey) McGuigan

25 years – Phyllis Moran

1 year – Harriett Chave, Rita Speedstberg

BC Royal Purple Conferenc Raffle Winners

1st prize – Lottery Wreath – Allison Jelly – Williams Lake

2nd prize – Afghan – Bill Hammer – Salmon Arm

3rd prize – Mantle clock – V. Smith – Prince George

4th prize – Lee Staisbey – Vancouver

5th prize – Corrine Anderson - Victoria

Special Events

Conference: June 3rd, 4th & 5th, 2007 at Vancouver # 1

Chilliwack has changed their meeting to one meeting per month, the 4th Monday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Elks Hall. Hosting District meeting, April 1st at the Masonic Hall.

The **Kelowna** Royal Purple lodge will be moving at the end of March 2007. We will notify you of our new temporary address.

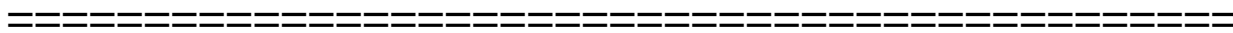
North Kamloops – Children’s Christmas Party with Santa and presents
- Annual Newman Fun Curling Bonspiel

Keremeos – Ladies felt honored as they formed the Honor guard for Lady Juanita Babyn. November 11th ceremonies, served hot chocolate and cookies to children and parents, following the Cenotaph Service. Keremeos Ladies along with four very helpful grads served one hundred and sixty OAP members a Christmas Dinner. Two “handsome” male helpers dressed in their finest “Royal Purple” fare and sporting the latest in coiffure helped serve and entertain the gathering. Some husbands will do anything for a laugh!

Williams Lake - BC Royal Purple President, Regina MacLean, visited us on January 25 / 07. Her main message to the Ladies was: Continue to increase membership through our “Circle of Friends”.

National President Liz Sport, will visit **Williams Lake # 126**, March 22 / 07. The Ladies are planning a special dinner for her prior to the lodge meeting that night. Any Royal Purple members that would like to join us are most welcome. The cost for dinner is \$ 16.00 per person and we will need to know one week in advance if you plan to be at the dinner.

North Kamloops – February 10th marked the 45th Anniversary for North Kamloops Elks and Royal Purple. We enjoyed a visit from our Provincial Presidents: Elks Jim Murphy and Royal Purple Regina MacLean and her husband, Garth. Our Royal Purple District Deputy, Marj McDonald and husband Ron. Also Past Grand Exalted Ruler Don Kidd and his wife, Mona and many other guests, as well, among the 61 people attending. Plaques were presented to those who had assisted our Lodges with Conference. Also, milestone service pins were presented.



Teacher: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn’t have 10 years ago.
Winnie: ME !

Letters of Thanks

A letter from a new member, Harriett Chave. "Thank you to the North Kamloops Royal Purple # 277 for making my first year as a memory so beautiful."

To all Lodges in BC

How often do we hear "What does BCRP do for us"? Well, Prince George Lodge is here to tell you what the Association has done for us. We just had to ask for help and they were here.

On October 14th and 15th, we held a big MAC, Membership Awareness Program. The Provincial Team, which consisted of four ladies, came with bells on to help with the advertising and the information to put in the bags. They did all the knocking on the doors and did most of the talking with one of our Ladies with them.

Two of the Provincial Membership team were back up on the following Saturday to attend the followup Family Orientated Hallowe'en Party we held on October 21st to welcome anyone that had an interest in finding out more about the Elks and Royal Purple. At that time of this printing we do not know the results of our drive but we are thinking positively. We gave out information at 578 residents so hopefully we will see some good results. The Provincial Association wants to help our lodges in any way possible. You only have to let them know that you need and want their help.

Our sincere thanks go to President Regina MacLean, Treasurer Darlene Doucette, Fourth Vice Marjorie Braconier and Lady Marge Batke for all their time and effort on our behalf.

Followup to this letter..... Prince George has initiated three Ladies.

Way to go Prince George !!!

*** We also have tentative "Membership Awareness Campaigns" planned for Vancouver Island and other Interior Areas.

*** The District Deputy Program is no longer on hold. We will be proceeding with electing DD's again this year. Be prepared for discussions regarding the DD program, at Convention in Saskatoon, July 28th to August 1st, 2007

B. C. Royal Purple 13th Annual Conference 2007
June 2, 3, 4, 5, 2007
Hosted by Vancouver Lodge #1



ROYAL PURPLE Delegate/Visitor Registration Form

Lodge Name & # _____ District _____

Name: _____ Royal Purple _____ Visitor _____

Address _____ City _____ Province _____

Postal Code: _____ E-Mail : _____

Phone # (with area code): _____

Highest Office Held: _____

Special Diet Request: _____

REGISTRATION FEE: (Please check items that you wish to purchase)

_____ *ROYAL PURPLE Delegate or Visitor* \$85.00
(Includes Hawaiian Night, President's Ball, 5 Coffee Breaks with Muffin/donut)

EXTRA TICKETS: (Please check items you wish to purchase for catering purposes)

_____ *Saturday Night BBQ* \$15.00

_____ *Two Lunches* \$20.00
(Sunday lunch, and Monday lunch)

_____ *Hawaiian Night* \$30.00

_____ *President's Ball* \$40.00

Total Amount enclosed _____ Payable to Vancouver #1 Elks & Royal Purple,

2177 West 42 Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. V6M 2B7

Refund request must be in writing—Registration Deadline May 15th, 2007