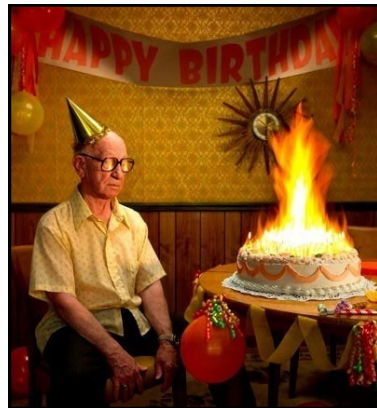


August Birthdays

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Carol M. August 5
Janet H. August 8
Patrick H. August 12
Anne S. August 16
Sheena M. August 21
Bing T. August 23
Charlotte L. August 24
Chon I. August 25
Josephine R. August 28

Birthday Teas

August 18 - Wednesday
Rose at 2 pm

August 25 - Wednesday
Camelia at 2 pm

RESPECT

Find out what it means to us

STEAK BBQs

Keep clean-up as quiet and unobtrusive as possible, conscious of residents watching television, reading or chatting with friends or family.

12 pm HIGH NOON
August 4 - Willow
August 12 - Rose
August 26 - Magnolia
Cost: \$20 per person

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL

with Chaplain Darlene

AUSTRALIA
July 30 - Willow & Magnolia
August 6 - Rose & Camelia

THAILAND
Aug. 20 Willow & Magnolia
Aug. 27 Rose & Camelia

10:45 am & 2 pm

MUSIC ON THE PATIO



Our regular entertainers will be available on short notice for when we are having nice weather. We will rotate the entertainers, Dave and Alastair, to each of the 4 houses. If you know of any other musician(s) who live locally who might be interested in entertaining our folks on the patio, please reach out to Trish Foley.

trish.foley@buchanan-lodge.com



Fun Facts about Beautiful B.C.

- ◆ B.C. was the sixth province added to Canada, in 1871.
- ◆ Mile 0 of the 7,699 km Trans Canada Hwy is in Victoria.
- ◆ B.C.'s motto is "Splendour without Diminishment."
- ◆ The provincial flower of B.C. is the Dogwood.
- ◆ There are only 30 countries larger than B.C. (and one state: Alaska).
- ◆ British Columbia is 4 times the size of Great Britain.
- ◆ Osoyoos is the warmest freshwater lake in Canada.
- ◆ Ogopogo has been a protected species since 1989.
- ◆ Fairweather Mountain is the highest point in B.C. at 15,299 feet.
- ◆ B.C. Place was the first covered stadium in Canada.
- ◆ The world's largest hockey stick resides in Duncan.
- ◆ Although the Canucks have come up short three times, two B.C. teams have won the coveted Stanley Cup - 1915 Vancouver Millionaires & 1925 Victoria Cougars.
- ◆ Vancouver is 2nd only to Los Angeles in TV production and 3rd in movie production.

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NEWS FROM 409 BLAIR AVE. AUGUST 2021



Precious Memories



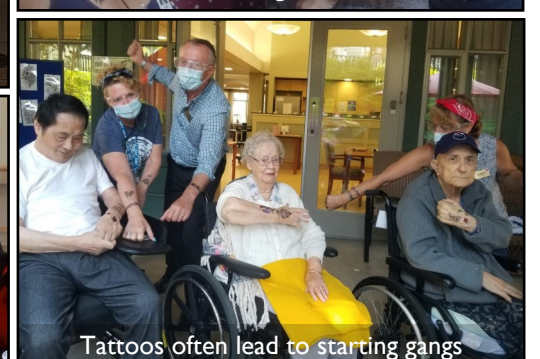
Shirley was excited about her artistic skills



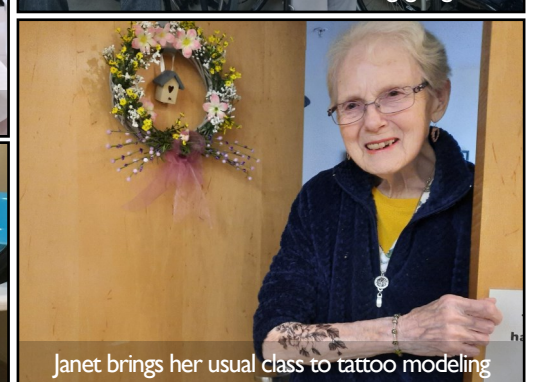
Rosie wasn't as riveting as our tattoo artists



Norma showed us how to decoupage



Tattoos often lead to starting gangs



Janet brings her usual class to tattoo modeling



Suspiciously, Carrie was first to see the smoking toilet



Jim chillin' with a beverage & his compass tat

Thought For August



The summer months are the perfect time to gather as a family, which we hope to do again soon with my wife's extended family, the "Moons." They get together every 2 years somewhere close to their origins - Didsbury, Alberta. If that town doesn't ring a bell, how about neighbouring Elkton, Sundre, or Fallen Timber?

Though the towns where the Moons first built their homesteads were tiny (some with one stop light, most with none) the family has expanded, thanks to the growing need (pun intended) for fresh farmhands. I remember one of our recent reunions when almost 200 Moons gathered at Westerdale Hall for a genuinely good ol' time: playing golf and baseball, chowing down potluck, singing around a bonfire, and lighting up fireworks as a tribute to the founding members of our family. The display for Jan's mom was dubbed "Holy Helen" (she was the family preacher), but the nicknames for the other siblings were far less spiritual!

Prior to the photo below we all donned Moon Reunion Tshirts featuring various cartoon characters baring their butts, underscored by the slogan "where moons of all shapes and sizes are welcome." When it comes to family - love, forgiveness and a sense of humour are mandatory!

While the tone for the entire weekend was fun and frivolity, there was an under-current of sincere gratitude for each other and for God's obvious blessing. Moments like these should heighten our anticipation for the greatest family reunion we can ever imagine. As we come to know the Heavenly Father through Jesus, His Word says that *we are no longer strangers to God and foreigners to heaven, but we are members of God's very own family, citizens of God's country, and we belong in God's household with every other Christian* (Eph. 2:19).

As the adults at our reunion waited for the late night fireworks, the youngest of the kids headed off to bed. One little boy, about 4 years old, scampered into the dining hall to say goodnight. I never met this little guy before and I never got his name, but he hugged each one of us, looked into our eyes and told us he loved us. That's family, and that my friends is a picture of the great family reunion to come!

~ Chaplain Rob



UPDATES FROM BLAKE ARMSTRONG Buchanan Lodge E.D.

Dear Family and Friends,

As reported in the media, there are now easings of long-term care COVID-19 restrictions. The Ministry of Health, in consultation with the Public Health Officer and health authorities, has advised of the following practice changes:

- ◇ Visitors will no longer need to schedule or book a visit in advance but must be screened for COVID-19 symptoms prior to each visit.
- ◇ The maximum limit of 2-adults plus 1-child visitors is no longer in effect.
- ◇ Buchanan-wide indoor social and recreational events and gatherings involving residents and staff from multiple houses/floors will be reinstated.
- ◇ Outdoor social events (e.g., summer barbeques) may resume and include residents, family, friends, and staff.

What does this mean and how does it affect visitors and volunteers?

Visitors

- ◇ Screening is available between 10:00 am and 7:15 pm daily. Consequently, visitors arriving after 7:15 pm will not be screened and therefore not permitted into the building.
- ◇ Fully immunized visitors (2 vaccines and 14 days after 2nd dose) are not required to wear a medical mask while in direct contact with the resident they are visiting in the room. However, they will still be required to wear a medical mask while moving through the building and while in common areas.
- ◇ Visitors who do not provide documentation confirming they are fully immunized are required to wear a medical mask at all times, including when in direct contact with the person they are visiting in the room.
- ◇ It is strongly recommended that all visitors be fully immunized.

Volunteers

- ◇ Fully immunized volunteers (2 vaccines and 14 days after 2nd dose) will be able to return to Buchanan.
- ◇ Volunteers will also need to be familiar with the responsibilities and expectations regarding outbreak prevention, detection, and management at Buchanan.

The health crisis has been hard on residents, families, and our staff who have been working under very difficult circumstances over the past 18 months. While welcoming the easing of restrictions we need to be mindful of the risks that still exist, do our part as individuals to remain safe, and continue working together keeping Buchanan Lodge free of COVID-19!

Blessings,

Blake Armstrong
Executive Director

	Sarabjit Sangha - SS	4-Mar-21
	Jennifer Merry - RCA	30-Mar-21
	Ericka Intalan - RCA	30-Mar-21
	Emmanuel Barrios-Rienzi - RCA	30-Apr-21
	Glenys Thorpe - RCA	26-May-21
	Sumantha Yee - RD	22-Jun-21
	Mc Daniel Calauagan - VSW	08-Jul-21

