August Birthdays





Ed W.	August I
Malcolm H.	August I
Yue T.	August 6
Anna Z.	August II
Trudy B.	August 20
Harriet A.	August 23
Bing T.	August 23



Remind yourself we always have a reason to be grateful and to offer someone else a smile!



COZY CAFÉ UPDATES

As you may have heard, we are planning to create a self-serve café area across from the Chaplains office in the front lobby. For a few hours, 2-3 times a week, we would open this seating area to family members and their loved ones, with

mellow music playing, and self-service coffee, tea, hot chocolate, flavoured coffee creams, and sweet treats available. We welcome your ideas and suggestions, including the name for this café (email patricia.foley@salvationarmy.ca). This will become our Christmas Fundraising project. Look for the proposed plan in our next Buzz. Stay tuned!



Dear families -

If you have magazines at home that have already been read & are no longer needed, we would love them for our residents! They can help provide great joy, entertainment, information, inspiration & relaxation to our residents, especially for those who may have limited mobility or difficulty engaging in other activities.

If you would like to contribute, please drop off your magazines at our reception area during regular business hours. We kindly request that the magazines be in good condition, suitable for a mature audience, and free of any offensive or explicit content. Thank you in advance for considering this donation.

SPIRITUAL HEALTH SUMMER 2025

Mondays

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS Rose at 10 am | Willow at 11 am

Tuesdays

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS Camelia at 10 am | Magnolia at 11 am

Wednesdays

MASS - 1st Wednesday at 11 am COMMUNION - 3rd Wednesday at 11 am

Thursdays

CHAPELS

Rose at 10 am | Willow at 11 am

Camelia at 10 am | Magnolia at 11 am

Available for Orders

We now have birth year poster templates from 1908 -1965 so if you would like to have an individualized one for yourself, friends or family members, they can now be ordered through the Chaplains. The cost is \$20, including the 11X17 frame, and the proceeds will be used to enhance the Spiritual Health Programs for the residents.

It's the perfect Birthday or Christmas gift idea!



BUCHANAN LODGE

Fun Facts about B.C. ♦ B.C. was the sixth province

added to Canada, in 1871.

♦ B.C.'s motto is "Splendour

without Diminishment."

is the Dogwood.

state: Alaska).

15.299 feet.

♦ The provincial flower of B.C.

♦ There are only 30 countries

larger than B.C. (and one

♦ Mile 0 of the 7,699 km Trans

Canada Hwy is in Victoria.

♦ Fairweather Mountain is the highest point in B.C. at

Osoyoos is the warmest

♦ Ogopogo has been a

freshwater lake in Canada.

protected species since

♦ 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.

♦ B.C. Place was the first covered stadium in Canada.

Buchanan Buzz

NEWS FROM 409 BLAIR AVE

AUGUST 2025

Precious Memories

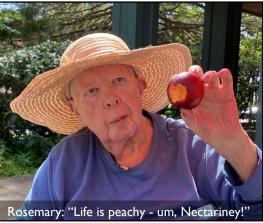














July Memories

August 2

Devotional

Coming Soon 3

Birthdays News

Insert of Tributes

Thought For

August

We often long dreamily for days without difficulty, but God knows better. The easier our life, the weaker our spiritual fiber.

"Get strong; stay stable!" This is the motto of our Physiotherapy Team who work together to help our residents regain strength in their arms and legs, which in turn helps them to avoid falls. Their favourite techniques include isometrics, or resistance exercises. We get stronger when our muscles push against other muscles or against something that pushes back.



In the early days of the Russian space program, they learned this the hard way. When their first cosmonauts touched down after 211 days in space, they suffered from dizziness, high pulse rates and heart palpitations. They couldn't walk for a week, and after 30 days they were still undergoing therapy for atrophied muscles and weakened hearts. At zero gravity, the muscles of the body begin to waste away because there is no resistance. To counteract this, the Soviets began a vigorous exercise program for their cosmonauts. They invented the "penguin suit," a running suit laced with elastic bands designed to resist every movement the cosmonauts made, forcing them to exert more strength. It worked!

This principle applies to our entire life, especially spiritually. We often long dreamily for days without difficulty, but God knows better. The easier our life, the weaker our spiritual fiber. Strength of any kind grows only by exertion, through resistance. The Bible reminds us that "no discipline is enjoyable while it is happening - it's painful! But afterward there will be a peaceful harvest of right living for those who are trained in this way. So take a new grip with your tired hands and strengthen your weak knees" (Hebrews 12:11,12 NLT).



Eileen Egan worked with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity for 30 years. On one particular day they were experiencing a litany of problems. When Eileen complained to Mother Teresa, she suggested substituting the word "problem" with "gift." So Eileen rephrased her complaint, "Mother, today we have been given a basketful of gifts!" The same could be said of the many "gifts" we may be unexpectedly receiving right now!

"When troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow" (James 1:2,3 NLT). The Bible has it right, and so does our rehab team: "Get strong; stay stable!"

~ Chaplain Rob



BBQ STEAK DINNER

REC FUNDRAISER

August 7 - ROSE & WILLOW August 21 - MAGNOLIA & CAMELIA Thursdays | 5pm | Cost **\$20** each



MARVELOUS MENU

BBQ Beef tenderloin steak (4 oz)
Garlic mashed potatoes
Green beans
Ice cream novelty
Sparkling lemonade punch, coffee or tea

Music by **Alastair McMurray**

Special "Thank You" for donating his time!

Email patricia.foley@salvationarmy.ca

with your name, number & names joining & resident's name (to help with seating)





August 5 Tuesday Magnolia 1:30 pm August 13 Wednesday Willow 1:30 pm August 14 Thursday Rose 1:30 pm August 20 Wednesday Camelia 1:30 pm



DOG SHOW - AUGUST 27

The recreation team will be hosting a Dog show Wednesday, August 27 at 10 am in the MPR. If you have or know of someone who has a dog that is good with people & other dogs and would like to be in our event please contact Trish, Recreation Coordinator, patricia.foley@salvationarmy.ca for more information and to request the dog show registration form.



August 2 Saturday 10:45 AM – Pete Campbell, Magnolia

August 7 Thursday I:30 PM - Banjo Jam, Willow

August 7 Thursday 5:45 PM — Alastair, Rose or Willow

August II Monday 9:45 AM - Alastair, Camelia

August 13 Wednesday 10 AM -B'DAY TEA, Pete, C&M

August 13 Wednesday 1:30 - Dean, Rose

August 19 Tuesday 10:30 AM - Steve, Camelia

August 26 Tuesday I:30 PM — Dean, Willow

August 27 Wednesday 1:30 - Alastair, Rose



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Friday | August 15 8 am | MPR

MEN'S CLUB Thursday August 21 I:30 pm | MPR





On The Road Again!
Scenic Bus Drives

10 am, Fridays August 8 & 22

Please let Trish or the Recreation Team know if you would like a family member to go on one of these drives.