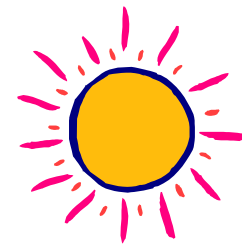




# Yaletown House

## Family and Friends Update

### Summer 2011



#### Executive Director's Message

We reeled in a big catch at Yaletown House Foundation's **BY THE SEA2: Gone Fishin'** Fundraiser held May 14. The Yaletown House Team sincerely thanks everyone who attended and donated. BY THE SEA2 was also supported by generous sponsors, silent auction donors and a galley of volunteers who helped raise **\$31,000** for Yaletown House Foundation's renovation campaign, Quality of Life Starts at Home, bringing our total amount raised to over **\$1,000,000**. Extra special gratitude to Jan and Mike Volker, Hosts; Laura Trivett, Chef; Paul Martin, Bar Keep, & the fine work from our many Volunteer Mates.

If you have any questions or comments concerning Yaletown House contact Carol Crichton, Executive Director 604-806-4202 or [cacrichton@yaletown.org](mailto:cacrichton@yaletown.org).



**Roof Top** If you are taking your family member up to the roof top area, please first inform the Unit Nurse so

that she/he is aware of your family member's location.

**Outing** When you are taking residents out of the facility for an outing (long or short) please remember to sign them out using EITHER the sign-out-book on the floor (at the nursing station) or the sign-out-book at the communication table (near reception).

**Hair Salon** A hairdresser is available on Wednesdays and Fridays for washes, cuts and perms. The hair salon is located behind the Tavern. Contact the nurse or Ana at Reception to make an appointment.

#### Welcome to our new Spiritual Care Coordinator



Please welcome **Pam MacCallum Ruud** to Yaletown House as our new **Spiritual Care Coordinator**. Pam will be sharing her time between us and Children's and Women's Hospital where

she works in Spiritual Care. She is passionate about Palliative Care and embracing a multi-faith community. We are excited about her sharing her knowledge with us. Pam is an ardent Saskatchewan Roughriders fan, stemming from her growing up years in Saskatchewan. She has 3 grown children and enjoys music, playing the piano, guitar and organ. Pam will be working Mondays and Thursdays 9:00-3:00 and Sundays 1:00-5:00. Her office is located at the far end of the dining room. You can contact her by phone: 604.689.0022 ext. 400. Or via email to: [pmacallumruud@yaletown.org](mailto:pmacallumruud@yaletown.org)

#### Quality of Life Starts at Home Update



Resident Rooms We are happy to announce that a grant from the Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Woodward's Foundation, combined with a donation from the Yaletown Lion's

(thanks to a highly successful fundraiser in June) and the revenue from our own fundraiser, **By the Sea2**, we will be placing an order for furniture for 3<sup>rd</sup> floor resident rooms. We hope to welcome delivery of the new furniture by mid Autumn. Affected rooms will be notified when furniture will be replaced. We will continue to fundraise for second floor furniture and hope to secure funding in 2012.

Greenhouse We are pleased to advise that the greenhouse renovation work is complete and we will be hosting a completion celebration party on Tuesday, July 19 at 2pm – join us!



**Building Services Update**  
Renovation Down-Time for Rooms Now that we have conducted two renovation projects in groups of four rooms

at a time, the project management team has arrived at a more realistic time frame for room down time. It appears that despite the full commitment of all involved to minimize the impact on residents, the remediation renovation projects are running closer to 4 weeks in duration as opposed to the 2 to 3 week time frame originally hoped for. Unfortunately, some unforeseen steps have added to the time it takes to move through the projects, this has included the extra work to repair ceilings and common hallways and in some cases attached utility areas. In light of this, we feel 4 weeks is a better estimate for room downtime during remediation and renovation projects.

Heat Shut-Down and Mechanical Work

Commencing August 15, we are scheduling a shut-down of the heating system for a mechanical upgrade on heating lines. The project is scheduled for August as this is the time when the system is normally not in use for heating resident rooms. The shut-down will be under two weeks in duration. A memo will be given in advance of the days when the mechanical work is expected to take place.

Thank you for your patience as we work through these necessary improvements to our building. Any questions relating to building work, contact Michael Jones, Director Building Services at 604 806-4209.



**Vancouver Chamber Players**  
Concerts return this Fall starting on September 26 at 10:30am



**Family Invited Meetings**

1. Resident and Family Council Wednesdays at 1:15pm:  
July 13, (no August meeting)  
September 14 & October 12.

The Resident & Family Council has elected a new Executive for a 2-year term:  
President – Leroy  
Vice President – Dhyani  
Director-at-Large – Brian  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Family Representative – Larry Brons  
We would like to thank Alice (in memoriam), Ken & Grace for their years of devoted service to the Council.

2. Food Advisory Committee Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 in the Main Lounge.



**Duet Bike Program** if you would like to have your family member participate please see one of the Recreation Team Members. We have regular volunteers who take residents out for rides along the seawall. It is great fun and very popular.



**Recreation Program Updates**

Recreation calendars for the month can always be found on our web site [www.yaletown.org](http://www.yaletown.org) Here are some summer highlights:

- July 5** Cones for Canada Day, 2:00 pm
- July 11** Lunch Trip, location TBA, 11:00am
- July 19** Green House Celebration, 2:00 pm
- July 26** Garden Bus Trip: Park & Tilford, 1:30pm
- August 9** Mexican Fiesta BBQ, 12:00 \*Families can purchase meal tickets from Reception
- August 23** Shopping Trip: Value Village 9-12pm
- August 29** August Birthday Party 2:00 pm



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