

The Centre Scene

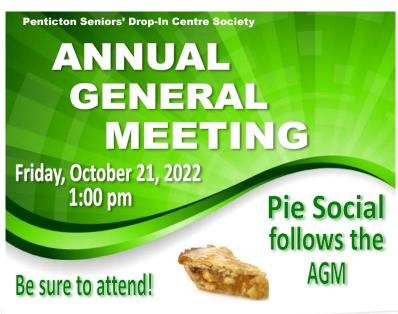
NEWSLETTER

Parking Lot Changes

Our parking lot handles a lot more traffic than it used to handle. Not only do our activities attract many members and visitors but popular pickle ball also brings a steady stream of cars through our parking lot. So, with everybody's safety in mind, we requested the City paint directional arrows in the parking lot to facilitate a better flow of traffic.

Last Friday the arrows were painted. Please use them to safely navigate the parking lot even if it means going a longer way round to exit the lot.

The curb, near the building was also painted yellow. This indicates a no parking zone.





Your Attendance is Requested

Every year, in October, we are required to hold an AGM so members have the opportunity to hear a review of the past year, to approve the proposed budget for the upcoming year, to vote on any by-law changes, and to elect officers to serve on the Board. It is a chance for our members to show their support or to voice any concerns in a public arena. It is the most important meeting of the year, so plan to attend.

Look for your AGM package during the 1st week of October – either by email or regular post.

Penticton Seniors' Drop-In Centre Society 2965 South Main Street Penticton, BC V2A 5J7 250 493 2111



Email: info@pentictonseniors.ca Webpage: pentictonse

Dates to Remember

OCTOBER:

02: Pancake Breakfast - \$6

03: All Candidates Meeting − 1 − 3 pm

08: Social Dinner 5:30 pm - \$20

10: Thanksgiving Day - Centre closed

15: Municipal Election

18: Volunteer Fair 10:30 – 11:30 am

21: AGM – 1 – 3 pm

21: Friday Night Dance – Buzz Byer

23: Sunday Concert - Chameleon \$10 2 - 4 pm

24, 25, 26: Blood Donor Clinic

28: October Birthday Celebration 11:00 am

30: Halloween Dance & Buffet Lunch 2 – 6 pm

NOVEMBER

08: Social Dinner 5:30 pm No tickets after Oct 5

11: Remembrance Day - Centre closed

14: Potato Bake – Watch for more information

PSDIES

Board of Directors & Staff

EXECUTIVE:

President: Don Wilson

1st Vice: Tina Begg

2nd Vice: Vacant

Treasurer: Lillian Hibbert

Secretary: Joan Willis

DIRECTORS:

• 2nd year of 2 year Term:

Joan Bonnier Vacant

Vacant

Vacant

• 1st year of a 2 year term Jill Blake Coltrin

Vacant

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STAFF:

General Manager: Sandra **Maitland** Volunteer Manager: Tracy **McGrath**

Cook: Brian Benning

NEWSLETTER: Mignonne Wood, Leslie Manion

President's Greetings



Hello to all our members and welcome aboard to those who have just signed up during our most recent membership drive.

I moved to BC in October 1962 and, in early 1988, my wife and I

decided to move from the northern part of the province and chose Penticton.

In 2008 we joined the Seniors' Centre, and I was enlisted to be a part-time bingo caller. When my wife died in December that year, it helped to become more involved with bingo and The Centre.

In 2010, I was elected 2nd VP; in 2012, I was 1st VP; and in 2014, I was elected President and spent 5 years in that position. In 2019, I became Past President then in October 2021, I took on the position of President again!

I remember when we were happy that we had 350 members. Since then, our membership had swelled to around 1200 until COVID hit and, in March 2020, we were forced to close our doors. As you know, we do not receive any financial help from the City of Penticton, the Province of BC, or the Federal

Government – we are totally self-sustaining, so we struggled to keep the lights on until some of the COVID restrictions were lifted 2 years later.

We re-opened in March 2022 to see our volunteer instructors and most of our membership return. The Centre is once again a vibrant place!

This is my last year as President, and I invite you to come and find out who will take this position at our AGM on October 31st at 1pm at The Centre!

Don Wilson



OCTOBER LUNCH MENUS

Tuesday Special \$9.00 Soup & Sandwich \$8.00 Soup: \$4.00 Sandwich \$4.00 Dessert \$2 Complimentary Tea or Coffee

Menus are subject to changes.

PRICES include GST # 889 150 595

October 4

Special: Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Peas & Carrots, Broccoli & Grape Salad
Dessert: TBA
Soup: Corn Chowder
Sandwich: Egg or Chicken Salad

October 11

Special: Roast Turkey with Stuffing
Mashed Potatoes with Gravy
Brussels Sprouts Corn Cranberry Sauce
Green Salad
Dessert: TBA
Soup: Cream of Broccoli

Sandwich: Egg or Grilled Ham & Cheese

October 18

Special: Chicken & Prawns Bombay on Rice Pilaf Steamed Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit Salad Dessert: TBA

Soup: Barley

Sandwich: Egg or Tuna

October 25

Special: Cabbage Roll Casserole
Grilled Garlic Sausage
Perogies with Sour Cream
Mixed Veggies Green Salad
Dessert: TBA

Soup: Clam Chowder

Sandwich: Egg or Chicken Salad





PLEASE BUY YOUR TICKETS FOR THE MONTHLY DINNER BY NOON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

Knowing the numbers helps with planning, shopping & staffing. It also is the date we determine whether to cancel or not.



Volunteer Manager's Message

I am so impressed by the dedication and initiative demonstrated by my volunteers! The Front Desk Team deals with the thousands of people who come through our doors each month, and the Kitchen Team works together like a fine-tuned machine to keep the food fresh, the kitchen clean, and the atmosphere inclusive and friendly. The Events Team grows weekly with folks who are excited about making all our events unique and engaging while the Admin Team shares its rare talents to keep us organized. And, of course, our amazing Board has lead us through the devastating COVID closures to see The

Centre become vibrant and active once again.

Then there is the Table Crew. These fine folks show up, sometimes daily, to stack and unstack chairs and shift the tables to and fro to create the best floor plan for each event from dinners to dances, from private parties to blood donor clinics, then back to yoga, etc. These unsung Centre heroes work in the background with little recognition for the vital task they have of creating smooth transitions between the many activities and events that take place each week. I give special mention to this team not only because I am moved by their dedication, but also because, as we are getting busier, there is now room for more people to spend 30 - 60 minutes a few times a week assisting with setup and takedown. Many hands make light work so please consider joining our stellar Table Crew and have some fun!

Come find your place with us!

Tracy McGrath – Volunteer Manager

CENTRE HERO: DONALD DAVIDSON

Set Up Crew Volunteer



Although I've wandered many places, I have lived in BC all my life, landing in Penticton in 2003. Being new to the community, my step-father encouraged me to get involved with the Drop-in Centre. I started out by joining the ukulele group which I attended with my musical mom and added yet another instrument to my collection. Up until then, I only knew how to play piano, guitar, and zither!

Several years back, when I started feeling the inevitable stiffness of age setting in, I looked for a more physically-challenging volunteer opportunity at The Centre. I gladly joined the Set-up Crew and have been enjoying the company of the other members who enjoy keeping fit while supporting a much-needed community centre.

We work together to make sure every event and activity has the right set up to run smoothly. It's not very hard work, and the crew is great. We always welcome new folks to join us - the more the merrier!

I am keen and committed because it's super important to The Centre, but I'm starting to feel it a bit more each week so am glad when a new member joins the crew. So, don't just rest on your laurels, join the crew, have fun, and get fit without having to climb a mountain.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." Gandhi



The Events Committee is planning several exciting events for the fall season. In order for them to take place lots of help is needed. Please consider volunteering for one event or more.

October:

- Friday Dance
- Halloween Dance with Buffet Lunch
- Pub Night

November

- Potato Bake
- Pub Night

December

Brunch with Santa

January

- 1st Day Dance & Buffet Lunch
- Wine Tasting
- Donor Appreciation Event

If you can help in any way, please call Mignonne or Tracy and leave your name.

WINE TOUR

Our first Wine Tour took place Tuesday, September 20 – it was a successful fun-filled day so we hope to do it again in the spring. We visited 4 wineries on the Naramata Bench – Therapy, Lake Breeze (where we also had lunch), Elephant Island and we finished the afternoon at Poplar Grove Cheesery where we tasted wine, ate cheese and sampled blue cheese ice cream. A special thank you goes to Cherry Park Retirement Residence for lending us their bus and driver, Sheena.

Volunteer Opportunities

Set Up Crew

- · Set up tables, chairs for events
- Short shifts 30 minutes
- · Flexible schedule

Friday Night Dance Volunteers

- Kitchen Help, Tickets, Greeter
- Fridays 6:30 pm 9:00 pm

Event Helpers - Many jobs to do!

- Pre-planning
- Set Up & Decorating
- Food prep
- Working the event Kitchen, Server, Ticket taker, Raffle Seller, Entertainment, Photographer
- Clean Up Kitchen Chores

Bingo Helpers

Animal Reiki Now Available

Sandra Maitland has completed Animal Reiki training and is now available for home appointments.

Reiki can:

- Maintain health and well-being of your pet on the physical, mental and emotional levels.
- Induce deep relaxation and stress-relief.
- Accelerate healing in sick or injured animals, or animals recovering from surgery.
- Help reduce pain and inflammation.
- Help reduce behaviour problems and aggression.

(Shelter Animal Reiki Association)

Introductory Offer: \$50 for 1 hour session

Call 250-462-4283 or go to her website reiki9stars.com.

Sandra Maitland, Reiki Practitioner



New Class Starting

Ukulele for Absolute Beginners starting MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

3:15 – 4:15 PM

Maximum 8 students

A 6-week course Each class builds on the previous lesson



SATURDAY CLASSES
WITH HOLLY
ARE BACK

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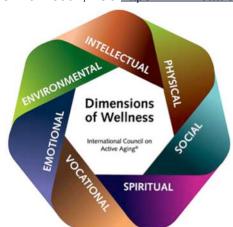
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Dimensions of Wellness

The International Council on Active Aging defines wellness as: Wellness is derived from our ability to understand, accept and act upon our capacity to lead a purpose-filled and engaged life. In doing so, we can embrace our potential (physical, emotional, spiritual, intellectual, social, environmental, vocational) to pursue and optimize life's possibilities. The wellness dimensions overlap and coordinate to provide rich environments for living. Wellness becomes a framework that is valuable for serving the wants and needs of a person engaged in life.

For more information, visit: https://www.icaa.cc/



Active Aging Week October 3 - 9

Call 811 – Health Advice 24/7



8-1-1 is a free-of-charge provincial health information and advice phone line available in British Columbia. The **8-1-1** phone line is operated by HealthLink BC, which is part of the Ministry of Health. By calling **8-1-1**, you can speak to a health service navigator, who can help you find

health information and services; or connect you directly with a registered nurse, a registered dietitian, a qualified exercise professional, or a pharmacist. Any one of these healthcare professionals will help you get the information you need to manage your health concerns, or those of your family.



Penticton's Municipal Election SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 BE SURE TO VOTE

City residents will vote for:

- one (1) Mayor,
- six (6) Councillors and
- four (4) School Trustees

Elected officials will serve a four-year term from November 2022 to October 2026.

General Voting day is Saturday, October 15 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

- at the Penticton Trade and Convention Centre, 273 Power Street or
- at the Seniors' Drop-In Centre, 2965 South Main Street.

Richard Cannings: Member of Parliament

South Okanagan – West Kootenay Works for you

Contact his office for assistance with federal issues:

250-770-4480 202-301 Main Street, Penticton richard.cannings.c1@parl.gc.ca



OCTOBER BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Members with a birthday in October are invited to celebrate on

Friday, October 28th 11:00 – 12:00 Ken Wignes Room

Thank you Providence Funeral Homes & Last Call Liquor Mart for their continued support.

Please RSVP at the Front Desk

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE



CHPISTMAS BAKE SALE 2022

Order your holiday entertaining baked goods. Preorder, Prepay by Thursday, November 10th

Pick up Friday, November 18th between 9:00 am & 3:00 pm in the Coatroom

ORDERS TAKEN
OCT 11 TO NOV 10







