



# Campbell River Seniors' Centre Society

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Yes, we are open. We are masking, and we are staying open on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. We are asking that everyone be vaccinated, and let us know when you sign in. When the passports are ready, we'd like to see yours – to keep everyone around you safe!

Our core group of volunteers is helping keep things going, and we deeply appreciate their support. Many thanks to Maureen and Genevieve who scrubbed the tables and chairs until we ran out of bleach! And when Mark noticed the dust on the fans, he brought in his golfball recovery device, duct taped a feather duster to it, and cleaned off the fans in the main room and the pool hall. He even swept things up afterwards!



Rick is being backed up by Ian as bingo caller, and they sometimes let me fill in. Candy and Genevieve and Christine keep things going during the games, and Maureen seems to have mastered the 50/50 ticket sales. We have room for more players if you would like to try it out.

Every couple of weeks the kitchen equipment is making us take notice. First one of the freezers had a bit of a leak, then the dishwasher left a puddle that seems to have evaporated. Fingers crossed. The latest failure has been the soft drink cooler behind the cash register. Cornelius (the manufacturer) has decided to start leaking coolant, and the repair guy isn't allowed to keep topping up the gas! Unfortunately we couldn't locate a replacement evaporator, so the cooler needs to be replaced. Can you imagine my face when I discovered that a replacement machine would only cost \$4,000???

After some looking around, and a chat with Dos, we are opting for a Danby beverage fridge from Costco. They deliver, and they stand by their 2 year guarantee. The fridge will be arriving this week. And the cost is \$350 when the taxes and recycling fees are added. It makes me feel like Cornelius has helped us out – the latest cheque from the Recycling Depot was for just under \$300 for all our cans and water bottles! It's like he is helping pay for his replacement.

Speaking of helping out – we would like to have volunteers in place to help back up our regular volunteers. We can make sure you are trained to back up the dishwasher, the cook's helper/sandwich maker, and the cashier. I know Genevieve would love some help with memberships as things get busier this fall, and we could use people at the front desk to answer phones, deal with questions, and generally take care of our members and guests.

We have a bunch of programs and activities starting in September, and we could really use someone to coordinate – make sure we haven't scheduled everyone into the same room at the same time, and make sure that participants are paid up members.

Unfortunately Dot has left the board, so we are also looking for someone to take on special events. We have a potential fashion show and tea, and we have several great prizes that have been donated for a raffle.

Elaine, our treasurer, isn't bouncing back from her recent surgery yet, so we could also use a bookkeeper. Everything is pretty simple – we just don't need anything fancier than a hand-written ledger!

We may have sold a couple of tablets, but there are still at least three for sale. You are welcome to try one out for a week or two and see if they would meet your needs. Let us know at the front counter and we can set you up with one.

The Garage Sale has wound down in August, and leftovers are being delivered to various thrift stores around town. Thank you for the donations, and for your patronage. And kudos to Katie and Ruth and Gary for keeping an eye on things and handling the money. We brought in over \$928.00, and I'm sure we will do it again in the Spring!

And now for **Activities** - We are working with the City to share space and activities. The Sportsplex will be closed for about 4 months next year for maintenance, so they want to move some classes around. We will get this typed up and posted on our web page and distributed to everyone, but in the mean time, the attached calendar shows a typical week.

There will be sign-up sheets at the front counter for Scrabble and Backgammon as well as any other activities you would like to see.

We are also working on **programs** that inform you about things that may be of interest. The first session is a pop-up Information booth that will give you information about the Seniors Information Network which the Centre has been supporting for 5 years. This group is intended to inform seniors about the organizations and programs that are available to help us manage our day-to-day lives better. Please check them out!



## Advance Care Planning

**Advance Care Planning is making decisions about the healthcare you want to receive if you become unable to speak for yourself. These are your decisions to make, regardless of what you choose for your care, and the decisions are based on your personal values, preferences, and discussions with your loved ones.**

This is a two day free Advance Care Workshop being held on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 until noon in Jessie's Room. The Workshop will help you understand the options and complete the paperwork. You can sign up at the Registration Desk. Seating is limited to 12 persons.