

# Rosewood News – January

The Monthly Resident, Family and Staff Newsletter



## Message from the Executive Director- Karima Kassam

As we step into 2026, let us embrace this new chapter with hope, gratitude, and a renewed sense of purpose. The start of a new year is more than turning a page on the calendar—it's an opportunity to reflect on the moments that shaped us and to look forward to the possibilities ahead.

At Rosewood Manor, we believe that every day is a chance to create joy, foster connection, and celebrate life. Whether it's sharing laughter, lending a helping hand, or simply offering a smile, these small acts weave the fabric of our caring community.

This year, let's commit to:

- Cherishing relationships – because together, we are stronger.
- Embracing growth – every challenge is a stepping stone to something greater.
- Spreading kindness – a simple gesture can brighten someone's world.

Thank you to our residents for inspiring us with your wisdom, to our families for your trust and support, and to our dedicated staff for your unwavering compassion. Here's to a year filled with health, happiness, and meaningful moments.

Happy New Year from all of us at Rosewood Manor!

Let's make 2026 a year to remember.



## In Fond Memory

of residents who passed away  
last month

Dolly Wilson

Sept 21, 1949-Dec 8, 2025

Ivor Delange

August 18, 1941-Dec, 18, 2025

Angie Spitz

Aug 24, 1958-Dec, 22, 2025

Bill Nicol

Nov. 17, 1936-Dec, 23, 2025

Susanna Cardozo

Oct 11, 1952-Dec, 23, 2025

Cecilia Lau Chung

Dec 29, 1942- Dec 31, 2025

Sydney Bulford

Aug 8, 1925-Jan 1, 2026

The next Resident Memorial Service is Tues., Jan 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in the main lounge

## Family Group Meetings

Meetings are held quarterly (Feb, May, Aug, Nov) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm. Next meeting: Tues., Feb 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 in the roseroom & via Zoom.

The meeting is facilitated by the Executive Director and the management team is present to provide department updates and to answer general questions.

## Meetings this Month

### Resident Council

Tues., Jan., 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30

### Food Committee

Tues., Jan 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00

## Holidays

New Year's Day Jan 1<sup>st</sup>

## Resident Programs & Events

Please see the program calendars for a list of all programs & events. Calendars are posted in resident areas and available online [www.rosewoodmanor.org](http://www.rosewoodmanor.org)

## Pub & Entertainment

main lounge  
Fridays @ 1:15



Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Pub with Luke Sandford \$

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Pub with Susan

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Pub with Hand Over Heart \$

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> Pub with Kristin \$

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Pub with Mike Kinal \$

Also, the Bar is open Wednesdays 4:00-4:30 for a before dinner drink. (\$ -beer, wine, highballs)

## Birthday Parties

### Main Building

Tues., Jan 20<sup>th</sup> @ 1:15

In the main lounge

Piano with Cindy, Cupcakes

### Special Care Unit

Tues., Jan 6<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30

Music with Johann, Cupcakes



Next month  
Lunar New Year  
Lion Dance  
Feb 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:15



## Special Events this Month

Tues., Jan 13<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

**Mike's Critters Animal Show**



Join this interactive show. Pet and view an exotic collection of fuzzy and not so fuzzy animals



### Jan 19-23 Scottish Week

Mon., Jan 19<sup>th</sup> @10:00 Movie Matinee "Brave"

Wed., Jan 21<sup>st</sup> @ 1:30 Shot of Scotch Highland Dancers

Fri., Jan 23 @ 10:00 Scottish/Burns history with Serena @ 1:15 Pub with Kristin

Fri., Jan 23 @ 3:00 Scottish Music Appreciation w/ Johann

Tues., Jan 27<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30

**Resident Memorial Service**

Join family and friends to remember Residents who have passed away since October.

## Worship Gatherings and Fellowship

In the Main Lounge

Sat, Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:00 WORD fellowship

Thurs., Jan 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:00 Christian Fellowship (English & Chinese groups)

Sat., Jan 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00- Caanan Church Choir

Sat., Jan 17<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00- Richmond Bible Baptist Church

Sun., Jan 25<sup>th</sup> @ 1:15 Richmond Chinese Alliance Church

Thurs., Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 3:30 Hymns with Herb

# Resident, Family/Visitor & General Information

## Building Updates

**Projectors TV's on all SCU floors** – Through our partnership with UBC Idea Lab's Zinnia TV project, which focuses on enhancing dementia care, we have expanded this initiative to all SCU floors. Zinnia TV is designed for residents with dementia and provides cognitive and motor stimulation, supporting our commitment to non-pharmacological treatment approaches. Installation of Zinnia TV on each SCU floor was completed this month.

**North Spa Shower Room** – The shower room update was completed this month to address the leaking issue. We are awaiting fixtures to be installed in early January after which the shower area will be ready for use.

**LED Lighting Project** – LumaTech Solutions completed the replacement of all lighting fixtures with LED fixtures. This upgrade will reduce carbon emissions and lower energy costs by approximately 30%. In addition, the LED lighting has improved the overall aesthetics of the building.

## General Updates

### **Flu and COVID Vaccine Update**

Over the 3 months, we have vaccinated over 95% of our residents against the Flu and COVID viruses. We encourage everyone to regularly perform hand hygiene and refrain from visiting if feeling unwell. Masks are available at the entrances for staff and visitors to use.

### **Mask Mandate for the Viral Respiratory Illness (VRI) Season Update**

We continue to work closely with VCH Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) to ensure full compliance with flu-season guidelines. We are currently awaiting an announcement from the Medical Health Officer (MHO) regarding a potential mask mandate for staff and visitors in resident common areas. Once we receive an official order, we will share a memo with families and post the information within the home.

### **Overtime Funding Cut**

Effective November 1, 2025, The Ministry of Health will stop funding overtime costs for Long Term Care homes in BC. We have developed algorithms to utilize during shift vacancies to ensure our residents receive safe care.

### **New Hires**

Over the past 3 months, we have onboarded 2 RNs, 1 LPN, and 5 HCAs to help reduce the need for overtime. Please join us in welcoming them to Rosewood.

## Staff Information and Events

### **Pink Shirt Day Feb 25<sup>th</sup>**

"Sprinkle Kindness." Focusing on simple acts of kindness, inclusion and supporting anti-bullying.



### **Welcome our New Staff**

Recreation Care	Prinnie Chan, Sonia You Rizzy Tomas, Ron Denzel Camerino, Portia Amankwah, Hazel Chu
LPN	Tricrose Lagliva
RN	Morgan Zhang, Kay Oliveros

### **Territory Acknowledgement:**

We acknowledge that we live and work on the traditional unceded homelands of the Coast Salish peoples and Musqueam Nation.

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