

Rosewood News – August 2026

The Monthly Resident, Family and Staff Newsletter

Message from the Executive Director- Karima Kassam

I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful summer and are having a great August as families prepare for the busy back-to-school season.

I warmly invite you to join us for our **Gratitude Celebration and Fundraiser on August 27 at 2:30 p.m. in the Centre Courtyard**. Our goal is to raise **\$40,000** to support enhancements for our residents. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we have already raised **just under \$12,000**.

We encourage you to support this important fundraiser by making a donation. **Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$25 or more.**

We are also excited to launch our **Online Silent Auction** next week, which will remain open until **August 31**. We hope you will participate by bidding on your favorite items and helping us reach our goal.

A heartfelt thank you to all the donors who have generously contributed items for our silent auction. Your support makes a meaningful difference in the lives of our residents. I hope to see you all on August 27th. Please remember to RSVP by emailing adminassist@rosewoodmanor.org so we can arrange for catering.

Resident, Family/Visitor & General Information

Family Group Meetings: Meetings are held quarterly (March, June, Sept, Dec) on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm.

Next meeting: Tues., Sept 15 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.

Name Tags: Rosewood Manor has offered staff the option to order magnetic name tags as an alternative to the large rectangular ID badge. All staff are expected to wear a name tag while on shift. Wearing a clearly visible name tag helps colleagues, residents, and visitors easily identify staff members and supports a welcoming, professional environment.



Heat Preparedness and Hydration Management:

With the recent hot weather, Rosewood Manor has activated its Heat Preparedness and Hydration Management Plan to help keep residents cool, comfortable, and well hydrated throughout the summer months.

The plan includes the following measures:

- **Hydration Stations:** Water stations are available for staff, visitors, and residents in the 1st Floor Lounge Café and the 2nd Floor Activity Lounge near the elevator. Fluids and hydrating snacks are available in the kitchenettes on each floor of the Special Care Unit.
- **Hydration Carts:** At **2:00 p.m.** and **7:00 p.m.** each day, the kitchen prepares hydration carts with water and hydrating snacks to offer residents between meals, helping maintain adequate fluid intake.
- **Cool Common Areas:** Residents and visitors are encouraged to spend time in the air-conditioned common areas during the warmest times of the day. Family members are also encouraged to bring an electric fan for their loved one if the resident prefers to remain in their room.
- **Portable Air Conditioning:** Resident rooms in the 2nd Floor Main Building are equipped with portable air conditioning units that can be used during hot weather.
- **Outdoor Spaces:** Residents are encouraged to spend time outdoors during the cooler parts of the day, such as early morning or late evening. When outdoors, residents should use appropriate sun protection, including wearing a wide-brimmed hat, applying sunscreen, and remaining in shaded areas whenever possible.
- **Clothing:** Residents are encouraged to wear loose-fitting, lightweight, light-colored, and breathable clothing, preferably made from cotton or other breathable fabrics, to help maintain comfort and reduce the risk of overheating.
- **Monitoring:** Residents will be closely monitored for signs and symptoms of dehydration and heat-related illness. Appropriate interventions will be implemented promptly if any concerns are identified.

Staff Information and Events

WELCOME

New Staff

Nancy N – Rec

**Staff Satisfaction
Survey**
in September

Cool Treats!
Thurs, Aug 6th
*Staff are invited for ice cream
sandwiches and lemonade*
2:15- 3:15
in the roseroom



Resident Programs

Birthday Parties

Main Building

Tues., August 18th @ 1:15

In the main lounge, Cupcakes

Special Care Unit

Tues., August 4th @ 1:30

Music with Johann, Cupcakes



Pub & Entertainment main lounge

Fridays @ 1:15

August 7th 1950's Pub with Angie \$

August 14th Pub with Susan

August 21st Pub with Kristin\$

August 28th Pub with Luke Sandford \$



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

Worship Gatherings and Fellowship

In the Main Lounge

Thurs., Aug 13th & 27th @ 10:00 Christian Fellowship
(English & Chinese groups)

Sat, August 1st @ 4:00 WORD fellowship

Sat., August 8th @ 10:00- Caanan Church Choir

Sat., August 15th @ 10:00- Richmond Bible Baptist Church

Fri., August 28th @ 10:00 Catholic Communion

Sun., August 30th @ 1:15 Richmond Chinese Alliance Church

*Residents, Staff, Family, Supporters and Friends
are invited to the*

5th Annual Gratitude Celebration and Fundraiser

**Thurs., August 27th
2:30-4:00**

In the Centre Courtyard
Live music, cake & refreshments



Meetings this month

Resident Council and the food committee are on summer break. The next meetings will be in September.

See the program calendars for a list of all programs & events.

Calendars are posted in resident areas and available on our website www.rosewoodmanor.org
Calendar is subject to change

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Maintenance request QR code



Territory Acknowledgement:

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

Special Events

Tues., August 11th @ 1pm

Mike's Critters Animal Show

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



August 4-7

1950's Week

Tues., August 4th

Movie Matinee 1st floor @ 3:00

1950's music appreciation w/ Johann @ 3:00

1950's Karaoke @ 6:00

Wed., Aug 5th

Happy hour 1st floor @ 4:00

Fri. July 10th

1950's Resident BBQ @ 12:00

1950's Pub with Angie \$ @ 1:15

1950's music apprec. w/ Johann @ 3:00 1st floor

Tues., August 25th @ 1:15

Richmond Christian Co-mission
Chinese Opera

UBC IDEA Lab

Smart little doll project July 10-31

Socially assistive technologies, including robotic companions, have shown promise in promoting emotional wellbeing. Smart companion dolls are accessible and low-tech interventions.

This research looked at the resident's emotional and social responses and what staff identified as key supports or challenges in using the doll.

English and Cantonese groups were held in the Main Building from July 10-28th. 22 residents and 35 staff were involved in focus groups and interventions



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Memory

of residents who passed away last month

Jean Norrish

June 3, 1933- July 11, 2026

Gizela Zenk

March 17, 1934- July 16, 2026

Pamela Scarff

Nov 28, 1927-July 19, 2026

Jean Claude Prentignac

May 29, 1942-July 19, 2026

Eiko Akizuki

Feb 1, 1931- July 20, 2026

Sohan Bachra

Feb 3, 1934-July 27, 2026

The next Resident Memorial Service is
Tues., Sept 22 at 1:30 in the main lounge