Rosewood News – October 2026

The Monthly Resident, Family and Staff Newsletter

Message from the Executive Director- Karima Kassam

Welcome to October! As the autumn leaves change and the crisp fall air settles in, we are embracing a beautiful season of gratitude and community here at Rosewood Manor.

I am very pleased to share that **our main roof project is officially underway and is now half complete**. We are making excellent progress, and I want to thank all of our residents and families for your patience and cooperation as we finish up these important building improvements.

This month, we are focusing on keeping our community vibrant, active, and cozy as the weather cools. Our team is busy preparing wonderful seasonal menus, comforting autumn activities, and some festive Halloween fun for the end of the month. Looking further ahead, please don't forget to save the date for our annual **Resident & Family Christmas Lunch** on **December 17th**
As always, my door is open to you. Thank you for your continued trust, support, and partnership in making Rosewood Manor such a warm and wonderful place to call home.

Resident, Family/Visitor & General Information

Wifi: RM-Guest
Password: RWM-W00d!

Family Group Meetings: Meetings are held quarterly (March, June, Sept, Dec) on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 3:30pm.
Next meeting: Tues., Dec 15th 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.

Seasonal Viral Gastrointestinal and Respiratory Illness (VGI/VRI) Preparedness
Thank you for working with our nurses and providing consent for your loved one to receive the influenza, COVID-19 booster, and RSV vaccines.
Public Health has recently announced that RSV vaccination is available for adults aged 75 years and older or Indigenous adults aged 60 years and older who have not previously received an RSV vaccine.
We plan to administer the vaccines once they are available for pickup from Public Health, which we anticipate will be in early October. To help us monitor for any possible reactions, our goal is to give each vaccine with a two-day gap between vaccinations.
In addition, ongoing Infection Control education has been arranged for our staff. VCH educators will provide training on proper hand hygiene and the correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE).
Please be reminded to reschedule your visit to Rosewood if you are experiencing any symptoms of a gastrointestinal or respiratory illness. Restricting visits when ill is one of the most effective ways to protect all residents.
Thank you for helping us keep Rosewood safe and healthy for everyone.

Mask use
There is currently a significant amount of influenza and other respiratory illnesses circulating in the community. At Rosewood Manor, our highest priority is the health and safety of our residents, who are particularly vulnerable to these illnesses.
To help protect our residents, **effective immediately, all visitors, volunteers and staff are required to wear a mask when in contact with residents.** We are aware that several long-term care facilities are currently experiencing respiratory outbreaks, and we want to take proactive measures to help prevent illness within our home. Masks will be available at all entrances for your convenience.

Dining Room Seating in the Main Building
We are currently reorganizing seating arrangements in the main building dining rooms to help create a comfortable, safe, and enjoyable dining experience for all residents. Changes on both the 1st and 2nd floor dining rooms are being implemented in collaboration with staff on both day and evening shifts. By working closely with our care teams, we aim to ensure that seating assignments best meet the individual needs of our residents while supporting a positive dining environment.
When determining seating assignments, we consider each resident's individual dining and feeding needs and preferences, staffing levels, the size of their mobility device, and the available space within the dining room. These factors help us create seating assignments that promote comfort, safety, accessibility, and support each resident's unique needs.
We appreciate your partnership and understanding as we make these adjustments. We are always happy to work together to support a positive and comfortable dining experience for your loved one.

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

Resident Programs & Special Events

Birthday Parties



Main Building
Tues., Oct 20th @ 1:15
In the main lounge, Cupcakes

Special Care Unit
Tues., Oct 20th @ 1:30
Cupcakes

Pub & Entertainment

main lounge
Fridays @ 1:15



Oct 2nd Pub with Hand Over Heart $
Oct 9th Pub with Susan
Oct 16th Pub Kristin $
Oct 23rd Pub with Luke Sandford $
Oct 30th Orange and Black Spooktacular Pub with Rob & Don $

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., Oct 8th & 22nd @ 10:00 Christian Fellowship (English & Chinese groups)
Thurs., Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Hymns with Herb
Sat, Oct 4th @ 4:00 WORD fellowship
Sat., Oct 10th @ 10:00- Caanan Church Choir
Sat., Oct 17th @ 10:00- Richmond Bible Baptist Church
Fri., Oct 23rd @ 10:00 Catholic Communion
Sun., Oct 25th @ 1:15 Richmond Chinese Alliance Church

In Fond Memory

of residents who passed away last month

Rick Lee	Nov., 9, 1947-Sept 22, 2026
Jennifer Braaten	April 1, 1950- Oct 5, 2026
June Chester	June 5, 1928- Oct 7, 2026

The next Resident Memorial Service is
Tues., Jan 26, 2027 at 1:30 in the main lounge

Memorial Service is held in Partnership with the Richmond Funeral Home

Tues., Oct 13th @ 1pm
Mike's Critters Animal Show
Join this interactive show. Pet and view an exotic collection of fuzzy and not so fuzzy animals

Wed., Oct 7th @ 1:15
Camilli Quartet

Wed., Oct 14th @ 1:15
Vancouver Women's
Chinese Orchestra Concert

Sat., Oct 17th @ 3:00
Speak with Arts Concert

Sun., Oct 18th @ 1:15
Troupe One -Guzheng and Erhu Performance

Thurs., Oct 22nd
Celebrate and Support Rosewood Manor's 44th Anniversary & HCA Day
Party, Talent Show & Bake Sale
Talent Show 1:15-2:15
Bake sale 1:00-3:15
(all proceeds to the staff fund)

Tues., Oct 27th @ 2:15
Bill and Pearl Weiss'
70th Wedding Anniversary Party

Fri., Oct 30th @ 1:15
Orange and Black Spooktacular Pub Party
with Rob & Don

Sat., Oct 31st @ 1:15
Harvest Halloween Social with
Johann and Sabrina

Meetings this month

Resident Council Tues., October 6th @ 1:30

Food Commmitte Tues., Oct 27th @ 10:00

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

Staff Information and Events

HCA Day, Anniversary Party, Staff Talent and Bake Sale
Thurs., Oct 22nd
Talent Show 1:15-2:15
sign up by the time clock.

Bake sale 1:00-3:15
(all proceeds to the staff fund)
Baked items (labelled and packaged to sell) can be brought to the roseroom prior to the sale.



WELCOME
New Staff
Lourdemay Pono (HCA)

Save the Date
Staff Christmas Party
Friday, December 4th
With years of service pin presentations
6:30-11:00pm
Mariott Vancouver Airport
Complimentary for regular/active Staff
$45 for staff on extended leave,
$85 per guest
Sign up sheet posted by time clock.
sign up by Nov 20th