

# KIWANIS VILLAGE NANAIMO

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## Welcome to February

We are all excited that February has arrived! It's shorter month but filled with many special days! Let's hope the Groundhog does not see his shadow and we will have an early Spring! You can now look forward to a monthly Gazette that will be available at the beginning of each month. We will also publish **The Kiwanis Kryer** quarterly which will contain information for everyone at Kiwanis! If you would like to be part of either publication please call Heather Anderson at 250-740-3689.





# Recreation Highlights

February is filled with heart filled events!

## **Music Concert with Anthony on February 10th**

Please sign up to attend the wonderful zoom music concert with all your favorite songs! The Concert will be shown in the Auditorium, the 2nd floor lounge in the Villa and the main lounge area in the Suites.

## **Valentine's Jolly Trolley**

There will be a Valentine delivery coming your way! Please see your Recreation Calendar for the date so you don't miss out on the fun!

## **Valentine's Day Dinner**

There will be a lovely Valentine's Dinner on Sunday, February 14th at your regular dining time. You will have a special dining experience. A special night to wine & dine!

## **Random Acts of Kindness**

Random Acts of Kindness Day is Wednesday February 17th. While we fully support this special day, at Kiwanis we want to make "**Kindness the Norm**" and every day special! Look for our mini posters on fun ideas where you can help to be part of random acts of kindness each and every day!


## **Pink Shirt/Anti Bullying Day**

Wednesday, February 24th is a great day to wear pink and help raise awareness for "Anti Bullying Day". **LET'S BE KIND...ALWAYS!**

## **Therapeutic Recreation Month**

"Therapeutic Recreation is a health care profession that utilizes a therapeutic process, involving leisure, recreation and play as a primary tool for each individual to achieve their highest level of independence and quality of life." (CTRA, 2020).

As we celebrate our wonderful Recreation staff at Kiwanis we also want to take an opportunity to promote education. We are happy to announce that all our Recreation staff at Kiwanis will be attending a two day workshop on February 17th & 18th as part of their professional development.



# Happy Birthday

Joe Watkin	February 1st
Sandy Nichols	February 6th
Don Le Blanc	February 6th
Mona Armone	February 12th
Diane Jones	February 18th
Lois Husband	February 18th
Lorraine Grandy	February 21st
Maureen Walls	February 27th
Omer Hamil	February 29th



**A big welcome to Anne  
in the Villa!  
We are looking forward  
to getting to know you!**





# Introducing

## "CLIFF"



Introducing Clifford Mack Walter Thomas. Otherwise known to us as "Cliff"! Cliff is a familiar face at Kiwanis as he is one of our famous Footprints Security Personnel! Cliff was born and raised in Nanaimo B.C and is a graduate of Nanaimo District Secondary School. He also a proud graduate from the Fisheries Program at Malaspina. Cliff loves the outdoors, and enjoys hunting, fishing and camping. Cliff also has an amazing creative side and loves doing bead and leatherwork. He really enjoys doing a variety of projects with cedar. Cliff is proud of the fact that his Mother taught him how to use the Loom. Cliff loves working with people and helping others, particularly his Elders. He appreciates a good homemade meal and a chance to socialize even if he has to wear a mask! Keep up the great work Cliff! We are proud to have you greeting everyone who comes to Kiwanis! A big thank you for all you do!



## Head Chef Aaron



Head Chef Aaron joined the Kiwanis Team in November 2020. Aaron and his family moved from the East Kootenays, Radium Hot Springs where he worked as a Chef at Columbia Garden Village for 6 years. Aaron enjoys golfing and has fun skate boarding with his youngest daughter! You likely already know that Aaron has a great sense of humor and loves to laugh, tell jokes and be happy! A perfect fit for the Kiwanis Team! On a more serious note, Aaron feels very blessed to be working at Kiwanis and is very thankful for the opportunity to get to know so many special people! We are thankful to have you here at Kiwanis!





# Resident Spotlight

## OMER HAMEL



Omer was born on February 29th 1936. This means that Omer has officially celebrated 21 birthdays! Omer was born in Moosejaw Saskatchewan and comes from a family of 15 children! Nine boys and six girls. Omer said he was not the oldest or the youngest, just right in the middle! His family lived on a big farm. Luckily his Mom was a great cook and they had amazing gardens! Omer has always loved working and has great memories of the family farm. Later Omer worked on the Oil Rigs and the Pipeline in Saskatchewan. He really enjoyed his job and all the people he got to meet. His proudest accomplishment is without a doubt his family! With four children there has always been lots of love and he feels very lucky. Omer is a very positive person and has the ability to spread sunshine! We are so lucky to have you here at Kiwanis. Thank you for brightening our days Omer and for always letting us know what the temperature is! We are glad you like the new weather guage! If you are looking to have your day made a little brighter then look for Omer in the main entrance of the House.



## Kiwanis General Store

The Kiwanis General Store is an amazing grocery store that has really ramped up it's services in the last year! A huge thank you to the Recreation Team for making this happen. You are greatly appreciated!

### Store Hours

**The House** Every Wednesday 9:00-10:30 & 1:00-2:30  
**The Villa** Every Monday 12:30-2:00  
**The Suites** Every Tuesday 9:30- 11:00 & 1:00-2:30

# Covid 19 Update

We are thankful to announce that we have completed phase one of the Covid-19 Vaccinations at Kiwanis. While we are thankful that many people received the vaccination please be sensitive to the fact that others have to wait a little longer. We appreciate your patience as we all know it is a huge roll out and it does take time. Thank you for your kindness and patience. We will share any updated information with you as soon as we receive it.

**A huge thank you to everyone for continuing to wear your mask! We are doing an excellent job keeping everyone healthy. Keep it up!**

## Visiting at Kiwanis

We wanted to take a moment to provide some updates about visiting throughout Kiwanis Village. All visits must be booked through Recreation . The visiting area in the **Villa** is now in a separate room to the right as you enter the Villa. You will have more privacy in this bright room now dedicated to your special visits.

**To book a visit at Kiwanis Villa please connect with:  
Heidi at (250) 740-2749**

The visiting area in the **House** will now require you to enter through our main front entrance. You will be greeted by staff and guided to the new, visiting room.

**To book a visit at Kiwanis House please connect with:  
Carmen at (250) 740-2740**

The visiting area in the **Suites** will remain in the same location.

**To book a visit at The Soroptomist Suites please connect with:  
Sandra at (250) 740-2757**

We are also excited to have our Visiting Assistant Carri who can be reached at extension **(250)-740-2807**

If you live in the Manor and have any questions in regards to people visiting please contact Heather Email: [heatheranderson@kiwanisvillage.ca](mailto:heatheranderson@kiwanisvillage.ca)  
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