# VGH SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION **BULLETIN**

# **Annual Meeting**

The VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Association is required to meet annually to report the operations to the membership. An annual report is then filed with the BC Societies Registry.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 10:30 am via Zoom Those wishing to attend need to notify the Alumnae Office in order to receive the Zoom invitation. Send a message to vghson99@gmail.com

#### **CELEBRATE THE MEMORIES**

In 2022, due to the need to cancel the Annual Luncheon again, the Board of Directors decided to provide funding to classes to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries in 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023, for individual class reunions. An attempt was made to contact representatives in the two classes for each of the years and some classes were able to receive funding for their events.

This arrangement is likely to continue so it is very important that each class, expecting to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries, appoint a class representative with current membership who will then contact the Alumnae Office to receive the application form from Sue Goguen, the Executive Secretary/Treasurer.

## **SPIRIT of the LUNCHEON**

The Board of Directors would like to consider a gathering for all VGH School of Nursing graduates. For many years graduates would renew friendships at the Luncheon. As the luncheon will not be held in future, the Board would like to know whether you are interested in attending a luncheon or tea in the Fall of 2023.

This will be held at a private venue and the participants would be expected to pay before attending the event.

Please indicate on your fee renewal form if you are interested in attending this event.

## ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

In 2022, the newsletter was printed in colour for the first time. Many favourable comments were received. The Board is budgeting for this to continue in 2023. The Newsletter is sent by email or regular mail to approximately 700 Alumnae Association members.

You are invited to take part by sending articles and photos to the Editor, Mary Watt at <a href="marywatt@shaw.ca">marywatt@shaw.ca</a> or the Alumnae Office at <a href="marywatt@shaw.ca">vghson99@gmail.com</a> or the address listed below **before January 31, 2023.** Some suggestions are:

- 1. Reunion plans and reports with photos
- 2. Articles about you or your classmates that you think might be of interest to the association members.
- 3. Relatives who graduated from the VGH School of Nursing: mother and daughters/sons, sisters, aunts and nieces/nephew, etc. Photos and articles would be appreciated as well as the graduation names and dates.

#### MEMBERSHIP 2023

Membership fees of \$20 are now due and can be paid by cheque, e-transfer, or online with Stripe. Information is on the website at <a href="www.vghnursingschoolalumnae.com">www.vghnursingschoolalumnae.com</a>. Follow the link to Membership for electronic renewal and payment.

Some members have questioned why regular mail is used to remind members to pay their membership fees. This is the only annual mailing and is meant to be respectful of all members' needs.

Donations are also gratefully received and all funds will receive a tax receipt. The fees are the major source of funding to maintain the association. Some of the activities include:

**Archives Committee** which receives, catalogues, and maintains donated items, provides resource material for the display windows and other requests.

**Education Committee** which provides bursaries to graduates and their descendants. **Friendship Committee** which cares for our members in need through cards, visits, and floral deliveries.

**Membership Committee** which maintains the membership data base of the 8,768 Graduates.

#### **ALUMNAE OFFICE**

The mailing address is 855 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver BC V5Z 1M9

For information call (604) 875-4111 local 62049 or email <a href="mailto:vghson99@gmail.com">vghson99@gmail.com</a>

The Alumnae Office is located in the Heather Pavilion B floor, south entrance.

To visit, please contact the office for an appointment.

Archives email <a href="mailto:vghsonarchives.99@gmail.com">vghsonarchives.99@gmail.com</a>