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WICC BC HAS RAISED \$1 MILLION!

Thanks to industry support and all the hard work of our volunteers, we have met our first fundraising goal of donating a million dollars to the CCS. Our next goal is to raise \$500,000 for the CCS, which will be earmarked to Camp Goodtimes and the Lodge Program. More information about the Lodge Program is located on the last page of this newsletter.

November Lunch Tickets!

Join us on November 2, 2011 at the Pan Pacific Hotel for our annual lunch, featuring speakers from Camp Goodtimes. Our speakers are camp veterans who will speak about the impact the camp has had on their lives. Our moderator will be Dave MacKenzie, the Director of Camps.



Contact Nicole Nancke at wicclunch2011@gmail.com for more information.

Summer Golfing

Our annual tournament at Westwood Plateau was a great success and we raised almost \$25,000 for WICC BC.



Our Mission: To mobilize the Canadian insurance industry in the fight against cancer by focusing on cancer research, support and education.

Departing Members

Two members of our board of directors are retiring this year. **Nicole Nancke**, the Assistant Manager, Energy, Property & Marine for Liberty International Underwriters began volunteering for the November Lunch committee in 2003 and joined the board in 2004. **Pamela Rose**, travel consultant for Travel Concepts, joined the board in 2005 and has chaired the lunch committee since 2006. Our sincere thanks to both Nicole and Pam for all their hard work over the years.

New Members

Three new members will be joining our board of directors, **Erica Enstrom** of Medisys Corporate Health L.P., **Graham Haigh** of the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company, and **Monique Mehl** of Hub International. The current board looks forward to working with them.



The Blue Goose Foundation raised \$3600 from its summer boat cruise to donate to WICC BC.

National Insurance Conference of Canada

Over \$21,000 was raised for WICC BC at NICC, which is a new NICC record. WICC BC thanks NICC for making us your charity of choice for the conference and to all those who attended for their generous donations.



Delia Carr (volunteer), Indi Sanghera (volunteer) and Barb Bonnett (Executive Director, Secretary and Treasurer of WICC ON)



Delia Carr (volunteer), Indi Sanghera (volunteer) and Kellee Irwin (Board Member, WICC BC and NICC Event Chair)



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Canadian Cancer Society's Lodges

In a province as geographically diverse as British Columbia, traveling a great distance to a cancer treatment centre is an unfortunate reality for many. Patients often arrive at the Canadian Cancer Society's Lodges feeling worried about their future and nervous about their procedures – all at a time when they are separated from the ones they normally rely on for support in the most difficult of times. For more than 30 years, the Canadian Cancer Society has found that providing a welcoming, caring environment in our Lodges helps meet the physical and emotional needs of those fighting cancer when they can't stay home. Lodges take away all the unknown factors of being away from home and serve as places of refuge and comfort.

The first Canadian Cancer Society Lodge was opened in 1980, after current solutions of boarding rooms and hotels seemed unsatisfactory. The Society acted on its promise of support to those on a cancer journey and the Vancouver Lodge, their first of our Lodges, was born. In 1982, the Vancouver Island Lodge was opened, and in 1998, the Southern Interior Rotary Lodge followed suit, both timed to open at the same time as new cancer treatment centres. In 2010-11, 5792 persons were admitted to our three Lodges. And in July 2011, we broke ground for the construction of a new Lodge in Prince George, planned to open in December 2012, to better serve the needs of Northern BC residents.

The impact our Lodges have on our guests and their families is significant. Our Lodges give comfort in a time of great upheaval, uncertainty and discomfort. The many thank-you notes we receive from grateful guests and their families tell us that the quality accommodations and programs at the Lodge are meeting a very real need:

"The expertise, care and consideration from all the staff and volunteers of the Lodge throughout our stay has been of great benefit to us both! The medical treatment has been excellent and we are very thankful that the Lodge gave us such a warm and friendly environment."

– Sharon and Bob Benning