

Varden Newsletter

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Editorial

Hello, I am writing this the rainy day before Halloween. There are many things to cover, some of them sad. I think by now most of you know that Alice Dewan passed away. I knew Alice quite well as we were on the same bowling team for many years. I remember Alice as being an excellent bowler who had a good sense of humour. One thing that troubled Alice was her knack of always hitting the head pin with her first try. The head pin, as its name suggests, is the pin at the front and middle of the bowling pins. If you knock it over first than you have two pins to far right and two pins on the far left to knock over to get your full fifteen points. Usually to get a strike, all the pins need to go down the first try, so you have to aim slightly to the side of the head pin so it falls down and knocks over the other pins. But Alice's aim was usually dead on the centre of the head pin so only it would go down. Alice's aim was so accurate that she was called the "Head Pin Queen." But she took it in stride. I remember Alice with fondness and send my condolences to her family.

Another item about bowling - our October social meeting was at Zone Bowling. Although the turn out was small, we had a blast! I have lost all my bowling skills but somehow managed to get one strike. What was nice is that we could include Helen Mosdell and Vivian Bates as bowlers too. If you look at your November copy of the Leiflette you will see a photo of Helen with her special bowling contraption that allowed her and Vivian to bowl. We had a fun time, plus the pizza was delicious. But, overall, you could tell none of us have bowled for quite a long time.

I also want to mention that the Social Committee is meeting next week to plan the Dec.10th Christmas party. We are finalizing our ideas for activities. Perhaps you have suggestions. I do know for certain that Santa will be there, and if you want him to give your child a gift, you should bring a small present. The party will be from 1:30pm to 4pm at Alan Emmott Hall in Burnaby. There will be more information in next month's newsletter.

Have any of you seen the short survey Susan Strang e-mailed to everyone? I have and I urge you to read it and answer it. I especially urge our younger members to fill it out. (That means everyone under forty, even members under thirteen.) We need members' input no matter what age, as the lodge is trying to plan fun events that everyone will enjoy. So again, please fill it out.

Lastly, I hope you had a fun Halloween, remembered our Veterans, and are looking forward to the Holiday Season.

October Meeting!

This meeting was a social meeting. We went bowling. Please see the Front for more info.

Education Grant

Varden offers an Educational Grant of \$700 for post-secondary studies to a child or grandchild of a lodge member. **The Deadline for this year is 04/30/2023.** Please send your application to Krista Solie at 604-540-2376.

November Birthdays

17th-Helen Mosdell
20th-Lucas Cooper

Calendar of Events.

1. Varden Lodge's November business meeting will be on the 8th at 7:30pm. This meeting will be on Zoom. Susan will send out an e-mail with all the details.
2. Sleipner Lodge will be having its AGM on November 19th at the Scandinavian Cultural Centre.
3. Viking Lodge will be having its meeting and a Potluck Luncheon on Nov.3rd at 12:30pm at Tynehead Hall in Surrey.

November Meeting!

There will be a business meeting on November 8th. Please see below for more info.

Sunshine Report

Sad news! Alice Dewan has passed away. For more info please see the front.

November Holidays

Remembrance Day is on the 11th.
Let's acknowledge the brave men and women who served our country.