



# VANCOUVER INTERLINE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### CHRISTMAS/ HOLIDAY BRUNCH GET TOGETHER & AGM

December 9, 2023  
11:30am - 2pm  
OCEAN PARK PIZZA & PUB  
12822 16 Avenue,  
Surrey BC

### ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD FOR ALL POSITIONS



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Vancouver Interline Club Members,

Did you know that VIC is the largest interline club in North America? At the recent WACA AGA in Jordan, we had 17 members attending the pre-tour in Egypt, 27 members for the AGA and 10 for the post-tours in Jordan.

During the AGA, Ann Senko was made a Member of Honour. Congratulations, Ann, well deserved for all your years of service to VIC and WACA.

Hope to see you all at our AGM and Brunch on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Where elections will take place for the 2024 Board of Directors. All positions are open. Please consider joining the executive.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Freddie Whiting, President



**Ann Senko**

**Our newest WACA Member of Honour**

# 2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

|                         |                                 |                                |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| PRESIDENT               | Freddie Whiting                 | 604-307-1909                   |
| VICE PRESIDENT          | Fred Buchi                      | 604-581-5508                   |
| TREASURER ASSISTANT     | Judith Guevara                  | 604-603-1702                   |
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| ENTERTAINMENT ASSISTANT | Pat Parsons<br>Sue Laufer       | 604-679-8025<br>778-872-0225   |
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## FROM THE EDITOR

.Please do send us your articles, jokes and interesting items that you would like to be included in the newsletter. If you send a travel article, please include pictures.

! Check out the new updated WACA website. [www.waca.org](http://www.waca.org)

Our new address is: Vancouver Interline Club,  
106-15153 98th Avenue  
Surrey, B. C. V3R 9M8

or use the e-mail on our new  
<http://www.vancouverinterlineclub.ca> Our new email

is: [vancouver\\_ic@yahoo.com](mailto:vancouver_ic@yahoo.com)

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## Fashion Show

VIC held a fashion show at McKee Seniors Centre in Ladner on Sept 15, 2023

They sold 96 tickets to the luncheon and after lunch our group put on the show which was happily received by all. I would like to thank the following people from our Club for offering to be models, Freddie Whiting, Rod McMillan, Nora Terry, Sandy Calvert, Mary Lou Rust, Angela Riley. Also, to our helpers Lisa Tate, Cheryl Silver, Pat Lindeman and Doreen Hazel. Our final sales for the afternoon were \$490.00 and we were going to split it between DYSL who supplied the clothes and our main charity Dreams Take Flight, but DYSL gave their half back to us to give to DTF.

One of the highlights of the show were at the end Nora Terry and Rod McMillan came out dressed as Barbie & Ken, as the show Barbie was playing at the local theatre, we thought it appropriate to include it in our show. The grand finale everyone came out dressed in ugly Christmas sweaters.

The models got a standing ovation and we have been asked to do it again next year but this will be up the Entertainment Committee.

Happily, submitted

Ann Senko/VIC



# Halloween Bowling Event

Our Halloween Bowling event on October 30 was fun for all that attended. We had 20 bowlers & few others that joined in by dressing up & cheering on the bowlers. We enjoyed Pizza & all you can drink pop. Our best costume prize went to Katrina as Mrs Doubtfire. Our 50/50 draw totalled \$180.00 with \$90 going to our lucky winner, Josie Guevera.



# SILENT AUCTION

On Sunday we had over 40 people come out to participate in our Fundraiser & Silent Auction at the Buck and Ear. A profit of close to \$1200 was made for our charities & the event was enjoyed by all that attended. The 50/50 collected \$280.00 with \$140.00 to our lucky winner, Jeff Laufer.



## Cairo and Nile cruise

For the pre tour to the AGA in Jordan we met in Cairo for a 5 day visit to Egypt.

Our welcome dinner was held at the pleasant outdoor setting of the Al Azhar Park with a lovely view over the city.

The 5 star Sofitel Cairo El Gezira was our home in Cairo, situated on the end of an island in the Nile. Our first day took us to the Pyramids of Giza, royal tombs built for the pharaohs. The largest and oldest, the Great Pyramid was built for Khufu (Cheops). Some of us explored the entrance of a smaller tomb, ducking low, down a sloping corridor ending in an empty unfinished underground chamber. Being a very hot day, 43 plus celsius, we didn't stay long in the near suffocating environment! Viewing the pyramids from the backs of camels was experienced by several who chose to engage in this ride of a lifetime.

A short bus ride away was the Great Sphinx of Giza, created perhaps for the Pharaoh Khafre. Among Egypt's most famous landmarks and the world's largest sculptures, one can only be awestruck by this limestone masterpiece, reclining now as it has for 4,500 years or more. Some say the face appears to represent the Pharaoh Khafre with the body of a lion. We had a delicious lunch at Nine Pyramids Lounge Restaurant with a beautiful view of the pyramids. In the afternoon we had a 1 1/2 hour flight to Luxor to board our Legacy Steinberger Nile Cruise ship. After dinner on board, an evening visit to the Luxor Temple near by was attended by some.

An early start to the day, a visit to Karnak Temple followed by a bus trip to The Valley of the Kings where we visited the tomb of Ramses the 3rd. Visiting an Alabaster factory was interesting watching and learning about the process and craftsmanship needed to produce beautiful translucent carvings of ornaments, vases, jars, figurines, etc. Our day ended with a drive to Queen Hatshepsut's 3-storey temple, the first temple to be constructed for a queen, a truly amazing monument. Our boat continued up river through the locks at Esna on the way to Edfu. Another early morning, going ashore to be met by the sights and sounds of many horse drawn carriages with drivers anxious to race us to the temple Horus, another spectacular site.

After lunch on board we cruised to Kom Ombo. Watching life along the Nile; the farms/farmers, kids/cows, goats, water buffalo, as well as banana, mango and palm trees growing was an enjoyable afternoon. Docking at Kom Ombo, temp. 35 degrees C., felt like 45 degrees! Our boat "Legacy" was rafted between one boat on our right and 3 boats on our

left. We walked through 3 boats to get to shore, a multitude of tourists disembarking from the ships. A hot afternoon visit to see the Crocodile Temple and Falcon Gods. The crocodile was revered by ancient Egyptians for its speed and strength and was feared as an enemy. Examples of crocodile raising from eggs to adults, supposedly eating 3 donkeys a day, to mummification of crocs was evident.

We awoke to rafting ships in Aswan. After breakfast we went by motor boat to explore a Nubian village where we had a lecture in the school house on the Nubian and Arabic alphabet. We enjoyed an afternoon ride on a felucca, relaxing as we sailed down the Nile, enjoying the sites of the passing landscape. A bus trip to the dam and Lake Nasser ended our journey on the Nile.

We flew back to Cairo in time for a visit to the National Museum with its exquisite King Tut display, a treasure to behold, followed by a Nile dinner cruise with Oriental Show complete with Belly Dancers. That ended our wonderful Egyptian experience made special with the welcoming hospitality, knowledge and friendship of Hamad and our excellent guide Sharif from United Tours Services and a great group of Interliners!

Fred & Loretta B



## ELECTIONS FOR VIC 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Vancouver Interline Club's Annual General Meeting will be held at Ocean Park Village Pub, 12822 - 16th Ave, Surrey, BC at 12:00 PM on December 9, 2023. All current members are urged to vote for the new executive.

Nominations for the new Executive must be sent in to the club VANCOUVER INTERLINE CLUB 106 - 15153 98th Ave, Surrey B.C. V3R9M8, or given to a current director by December 9 2023

The position of President is a 3 year term automatically filled by the Vice President.

The following positions are open for nominations. (assistants required also!)

**PRESIDENT:** The President will coordinate the general affairs of the club and acts as liaison between the executive and various appointed committees. This is a three year term position.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** The Vice President will assist the president in coordinating the general affairs of the club and acts as liaison between the executive and various appointed committees. The Vice President automatically takes over the position of President.

**SECRETARY:** The Secretary will take the Minutes at each executive meeting, will deal with all correspondence as needed. Must be able to work without direction, and be able to compose own letters and initiate follow-ups, etc. Also records names of prize winners at events.

**TREASURER:** The Treasurer is the Club's "banker" must be good at figures and budgets. The Treasurer will prepare a monthly statement of assets / liabilities.

**SOCIAL DIRECTOR:** The Social Director will set up and coordinate all the Club's monthly events.

**PUBLICATION:** The Publications Director will write and produce the newsletter, coordinate mailing of same, and produce any other publication required.

**MEMBERSHIP:** The Membership Director will keep the Club's membership and newsletter mailing list up to date, issue new membership cards and be available at interline functions to accept new memberships.

**TOURS & INFO:** The Tours and Information Director will advise the Publications Director of interline tours available to members, keep records of same and be responsible for answering queries

### NOMINATION FORM FOR 2024 EXECUTIVE

I hereby nominate: \_\_\_\_\_ for the position of:  
\_\_\_\_\_

for Vancouver Interline Club for the 2024 term of office, on this date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby accept the above nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**This event we will be expected to pay for our own meals with an 18% gratuity.**

Theme your dress as your favourite **Christmas/Holiday** character or **ornament**  
50/50 draw  
door prizes  
prizes for best dressed/costume

**PLEASE RSVP TO**  
[yvrsocial1@gmail.com](mailto:yvrsocial1@gmail.com)  
by  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023**

