



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 09, 2019 – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

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The Annual General Meeting of the Century House Association was called to order at 10:05 am  
Present at the meeting were 4 Executive, 5 Staff, 55 members.

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting have been posted on the bulletin board for all to read and will stand approved as posted and will be filed. A motion to accept was made by Claudette Campbell and seconded by Jeannie Hyndman

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**Carole Wylie - Welcome Everyone**

It is both a privilege and a pleasure to share with you this 60th Annual General Meeting of the Century House Association. We have had a wonderful year celebrating the unique partnership between the City of New Westminster and its' citizenry who are 50 years or more years of age.

The Century House Association model remains unique, with the Century House building and staff fully supported by the City of New Westminster, while the Association membership organizes and manages numerous Activity Groups. Please join me in showing our appreciation for the ongoing support we enjoy from the City of New Westminster.

The Century House Association would not exist without the many volunteers who organize activities, services and events on behalf of the membership. We will hear reports from them in this meeting, but I would like to take this opportunity to ask everyone here today who volunteers in some way here at Century House to stand and be acknowledged. You ARE the Century House Association.

**In Memoriam:**

Patricia Smith read the list of Century House Members who passed away in 2018.

**Year End Financial Report: Betty Young Treasurer.** Carole presented the financial report. The Executive has reviewed and accepted the Treasurers unaudited draft report and it will be filed as read.

**YEAR END ACTIVITY REPORTS:**

**BIRTHDAY CONVENERS – Frances Blake / Executive Liaison – Betty Young**

- Met **12** times in **2018**; Total Attendance – around 4,700
- We have fun. There are 9 CH members and 6-8 students who assist in serving and clean up. After years of service, Hedy Day has retired from our group and Nancy Fahim has stepped in. Thank you Hedy and welcome Nancy.

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- Our birthday parties are popular with approximately 100 attendees each month since August. Kevin sets up a u-shaped table that works very well. Large groups can make a reservation. We are delighted to have Keona as our dishwasher. This is her last year at NWSS.

#### **BOOK CLUB – Cecile Wood / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- Met **12** times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **Unknown**
- Some books were great; some were not.

#### **BRIDGE SOCIAL: Monday Night - Peter Brittain / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- Met **50** times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **723**
- We had an enjoyable Christmas party with members bringing more food than we were able to eat.
- Highlights of the year are always the way members greet and meet.
- An example of a story worth telling is how Lorraine or Reg assist a member with their bidding or play. This reminds us that we are all here to play the game, as well as to have fun.

#### **DARTS: - Mike Wilson / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- Our group has been transitioning for the past couple of years. Some senior players have left our group because they no longer have the energy to actively participate. Current we are providing an annual donation from our annual member dues. We still are trying to increase our membership.

#### **BURSARY COMMITTEE – Wenke Hogg / Executive Liaison – Betty Young**

- 2018 was the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our committee of 8 members. We offered 4 bursaries of \$650 each and 1 at \$750. Our special \$750 bursary in honour of CH's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was only available to students who volunteered at Century House.
- To celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup>, we also had a second pancake breakfast that acted as a reunion. Kevin contacted and invited former recipients of our bursaries. It was a heartwarming event enjoyed by the 20 students and Century House members who attended. The students shared their stories and what they have been doing since graduating from NWSS.
- In 20 years, our committee has given out 65 bursaries for a total of \$36,950, all raised from our fundraisers and donations to the committee from CH members.
- I would like to thank our executive liaison, Betty Young and Kevin MacKay for being the driving force behind our committee.

#### **CARPET BOWLING – Jeannine Hyndman / Executive Liaison – Carol Wylie**

- 2018 has been a great year for new players. We kept two carpets full for the majority of the time.
- We had some bad luck when two members got hurt (one has returned and is doing great) and one member became a widow. We are looking forward to a great 2019.
- We had a Christmas lunch at the Waffle House that was enjoyed by all members.
- We help to support seniors by donating to Century House 1/3 of money we collect, and more if we can. Many thanks to the Executive Committee for work well done.

#### **CENTURY HOUSE ARTISTS – Susan Tamkin / Executive Liaison – Audrey Soroka**

- Met **52** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **724**
- We had an extended art show at the New Westminster Library – December-March.
- Yay! We have our own display racks which were used at the Craft Fair and the December Art Show.
- The attendance at the drop-in was average.

Now a personal story shared by Barbara Hilstead, with a Big Thank You to Century House:

- Taking a painting class at Century House changed my life! I was so shocked when I began producing acceptable work as I had never painted before. I had done artsy stuff and crafts, but no painting. It was delightful to find a new talent at age 69. Pretty soon I was self-learning and taking

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classes, as well as displaying my work on the Century House display wall. I then participated in many other local art shows, led some workshops and even sold my work. During this time, I made many friends, enjoyed painting with them and looked forward to their feedback. Being a co-chair was great fun. It involved sharing our art group's activities and learning so much about how Century House functions.

- The art programs really have had a positive effect on my life. I've made many friends, enjoyed other activities with them and was always welcomed at the Connect Café for lunch before painting class.
- One of the things that has really affected me has been the realization of how much the staff, executive and volunteers give of themselves to everyone here. I've realized that those who chose to work with seniors have not chosen an easy path. Aging is not always an easy time of life and it can be a rather short period. Century House is a great place. I've done a lot of very interesting things in my life, and finding this neighbourhood place, so full of creativity, sports, learning, sharing and a variety of people, has greatly added to the eight years I have been part of it.

#### **CENTURY HOUSE SINGERS – Shirley Bakker / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- We acquired a new director, bring some interesting challenges, e.g., getting the songbooks in order. We are also working towards getting some performances organized, but our director feels he needs more time with the group in order to perform.
- We have not specific story to share, but as a fairly large group, our members are getting to know each other and give support to one another. Some become good friends and support each other. As seniors, some live long and need that support.

#### **CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH, Beginners – Peter Vranjkovic / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **48** times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **248**
- We continue our practice of having free-of-charge Spanish classes, with the help of a computer, our skilled facilitator, Michael Anthony, and Century House. Some students who started as beginners are now also attending advanced classes.
- Members to attend the beginner classes are often new to Century House. Our members have made new friends at Century House and have learned about programs and services to help them age gracefully.

#### **CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH, Advanced – Peter Vranjkovic / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **48** times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **288**
- We had a strong group in 2018 that met regularly. Each person paid \$2.00 per week, some of which was used to buy an additional computer program and for a small donation to Century House.
- We also had several people attend to improve their Spanish in advance of their trips to Spanish-speaking countries around the world.
- All group members are committed to learning more Spanish. A big motivating factor is the desire to offset Alzheimer's by learning another language. Some members cannot be physically active; therefore, language learning is very important to them. Our facilitator, Michael Anthony, helps them to achieve their goals.

#### **COURT WHIST – David Cordery / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- Met 30 times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **414**
- We have enjoyed the social aspect that comes with cards.

**CRIBBAGE – Lorrie Quick & Muriel Johannes / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- We have had some new people join our group. We all get along well and enjoy each other's company. It gets people out socializing and keeps their minds active.

**DIY French – Janene White / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- Met 50 times in **2018**; Total Attendance – **48**
- Each week we meet there are highlights. There is no week where we are not challenged and delighted by Madame Jacqueline's direction, knowledge and humour. We learn from each other and grow as individuals and as a group. We are adding to our vocabulary, grammar and knowledge of the French culture and customs.
- There are many stories to relate, but one in particular stands out. A woman in our group related a story about donkeys. When she was an infant in Italy during World War II, there was no milk available, so milk from a donkey was used as an alternate to feed her.
- We sing Christmas carols, national songs, happy birthday and popular French songs like La Vie en Roses, Chevaliers de la Table, etc.
- We watch French movies with and without English subtitles, tell personal stories, and bring photos of our lives and families. We laugh, discuss and sometimes argue, just like a family. We discuss traditions and holidays. We share a lunch twice a year at a designated restaurant. We are a strong, all-inclusive and cohesive group.

**DRAGON BOAT - Mariette Leppert & Terry Rammell / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- The Dragons Boat activity group is moving into its 4<sup>th</sup> exciting season with coach Judi Clark and has proven to be a huge success. This year, the team has approved a motion to continue on as an all-women's team, with a possibility of having 2 teams to paddle with the same coach. A recreational team would practice once a week at False Creek from 11:30 am -12:30 pm, if enough members can be recruited to fill a second boat.
- The competitive team practices twice week at Dragon Zone, False Creek at 1:30 - 3:00 pm.
- Indoor training has begun for the competition team at the Richmond Oval, where half the team works a fitness circuit, while the other half are 'in the boat', switching half way through the session.
- A coaching session will be available in March with Coach Kahmani of Right-Angle Performance. This is at a member's own cost.
- Three regattas are planned in 2019: Inlet Regatta at Rocky Point, Port Moody – April 27; Harrison Regatta, Saturday – July 27; Steveston Regatta, Saturday – August 24.
- The team does a number of fundraising activities to pay for racing fees at these regattas, including a recycling program, bake sale, pub fundraisers, and a fall activity that is in the works.
- Team members have found the fitness level required for paddling has generated an interest in participating during the week in cross training activities such as weight training/fitness circuit, aqua fit and swimming, and additional fitness classes at Century House. Paddles Up!

**DRAMA GROUP – Claudette Campbell / Executive Liaison – Audrey Soroka**

- We had a busy year, beginning with the presentation of *Those Were the Days* in a special Diamond Anniversary presentation. It was a special look at the highlights in news, politics, music and fashion over 60 years, from 1958 to 2018.

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- In November, we presented a whimsical look at aging through the eyes of several spunky, bright seniors. This was followed by a show called ***Does Mrs. Claus Have Menopause?***
- We look forward with great anticipation to our next performance in April or May, 2019.

#### **ENGLISH CONVERSATION PROGRAM – Anne Ladouceur / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- We now have 14 volunteers and have grown our program to 6 days a week. New members who still work or study and now participate with our Sunday group. A volunteer facilitator gives 1 ½ hours a week, working with up to 70 participants.
- The group is more of a service than an activity and, as such, we have begun calculating volunteer hours and the number of participants. We provide CH members with an opportunity to share their skills, experience and knowledge with new arrivals. They feel they have something to give and that they are still useful and needed.

#### **FITNESS & FUN – Barbara Merrett / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- This year, the Fitness & Fun Committee saw increased interest and support from across all of the drop-in classes. It's hoped that this will ensure a more stable succession plan for our events and the committee in the future. We're also working more closely with our instructors to help them and us, by collaborating to develop instructional handouts to increase the safety and effectiveness of classes.
- Getting older is not a surprise, but how we age can be. Your expectations may not match your current abilities and it can be discouraging. You're tempted to give up. However, there are several different levels of fitness classes at Century House with supportive, caring teachers and friends. It's there, if you allow yourself to change, many of us have made that change. And, it can be fun!

#### **HAPPY HOUR – Wenke Hogg / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- The Happy Hour Committee has 7 members and we serve for an hour before at all dinners/special events at Century House. In 2018, we had 17 events, which made it one of the busiest years we've had, even though the price of drinks went up a little. We are continuing to service, providing reasonably priced beverages for your enjoyment.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH – Annette Oakes & Mary Hernandez / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- As we in the Keep in Touch Committee reach out to our members and their families in times of illness, loneliness or death, we are reminded of the importance of caring, kindness and support to those in need of comfort. Hopefully, as we touch their lives, we can make a difference and let them know that they are not alone.

#### **LEARNING GARDEN – Shirley Model / Executive Liaison – Audrey Soroka**

- 2018 began with our grow boxes being raised. We previously had sown most of the beds to fall rye as a winter cover crop and green fertilizer. We were unsuccessful at turning this over to curb its growth, so we covered everything with a thick layer of newspaper to kill it off; new soil was added on top. The money for the boxes and soil came from our 2017 budget. We expected the newspaper to rot before we planted our crops. However, this was not entirely the case, as our first crop of carrots ended up as bent-elbow carrots because they hit the newsprint, but they sold well with that name! Our garlic also suffered and we basically had a crop failure because the water did not drain through the newsprint and rotted many of the bulbs. In future, we will watch that we do not over-water the garlic in the summer months.
- In spite of having a very wet and cold Spring, along with too much nitrogen in the soil, we had a successful year and were able to control our bad slug problem with crushed eggshells instead of drowning them in beer; a much cheaper remedy.

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- Our best sellers remain our mixed greens, chard and kale, as well as pole beans and tomatoes. The Rocket snapdragons in front of the windows were a real showpiece and the sweet peas were also fragrant and successful sellers. Joan's wonderful work at making a diamond out of succulents to celebrate the Century House Diamond Anniversary was a tribute to her skills.
- Our espaliered apple tree produced quite a few apples on each branch, but we only tried a few small ones, as the others 'walked'. I wish there was something we could do to protect them from two-legged bandits.
- This year we made succulent gardens for sale at the Craft Sale and made \$509.00.
- It was a happy gardening season that ended with making Christmas decorations for the dining area.
- We will hold our first meeting on January 17, 2019 to plan our year ahead. We have not yet detailed our budget.

#### **LOW VISION – Barb Gordon / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **10** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **117**; plus 9 Caregivers, 12 Spouses, 1 Daughter
- This year a number of new members joined and a few stepped away. Since we are a peer support group, new members get valuable information from long-term members and these same new members are able to update older members on new things that are available.
- We had Henry Vis, an ambassador from CNIB and Shawn Marsolais of Blind Beginnings come to speak and take questions. Also, a representative from Canadian Assistive Technology showed us some of the newest aids. We learned of an ongoing technology group for the blind in New Westminster, which one of our members attended.
- Shirley Model visited several times to read sections of a book, ***Valley of Tears and Laughter***. These readings were enjoyed very much.
- A caregiver for one of our members told us about her agency, which provides support services for seniors in the community.
- Shirley Miller and CHUMS entertained us and got us singing, both at Christmas time and at our summer break.
- This is the only group geared to people with little or no vision. They get a lot of support from each other. They also feel reassured that they are not alone in their struggles. One member described being embarrassed and uncomfortable when someone comes up to her and starts talking. She, at times, doesn't know who they are because she can't see them. One of our most experienced members suggested that she just ask who is speaking and that the speaker usually responds without questions.

#### **MAHJONG – Luna Acedillo / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- The group had a fantastic year. Each player continues to enjoy the game and, as always, the time goes by quickly for all.
- Our Thursday morning Mahjong group is very social. We arrive early and make all participants feel welcome as part of the group.
- Following are some participant responses to the Mahjong group:
  - I have made some lovely new friends, and this has led me to get involved in other Century House activities.

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- Mahjong Group is very positive and very fun. A great comfortable place to take part in many events and activities.
- I really enjoy this activity. Luna and her other helpers (Lynn and Chris) run things efficiently and with great fairness and inclusion. It is a supportive environment, nurtured by all members. Thank you.
- Have made lots of new friends. I would come every day if I could.
- I have lots of fun and meet wonderful friends here. Thank you everyone in Mahjong. Lots of fun and great company.
- It keeps the brain active. The social interaction is very good for seniors. It's a fun game.

#### **MEMORY CORNER – Bev Martin / Executive Liaison – Betty Young**

- We feel we had another successful year. Some displays had better results than others. The best ones were *Anything Old* and *International Items*. Also, the Diamond Anniversary display was a big success. The partnership of CH members is still not as good as in previous years. Bring forward your ideas! We met 10 times in 2018.

#### **PICKLEBALL – Patti Jackson / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- We have 35 paid members and are continuing to attract new Century House members to the game. Given that there is only one court, we continue to be a very social group. In agreement by all, when there are 8 or more players on the sideline, we shorten the game from 11 (win by 2) to 9 (win by 1). We also continue to use the system of Gold/Silver to mix all players. This was started at CH and is used across New Westminster. Unless they began in another district, CH is the home of pickleball in New West.
- We welcome beginners, offer informal instruction and provide a welcoming and safe opportunity to learn the game and to play it. Century House, for many, is a 'jumping ground' to pursue the game in larger facilities. Most of our membership fees are given back to Century House.
- This past year, a member passed away fairly suddenly. He died without family and his affairs fell to a Public Trustee. We followed up and a group of 20 of us attended his internment to swap stories and honour him.

#### **QUILTING – Christine Stachura / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- We grew to capacity this year, with 10 quilters producing our best year yet. We were able to contribute \$500.00 to the Century House Association and bought 2 new sewing machines. Hopefully they will allow us to make lots of quilts in the years to come.
- In addition to the contributions we were able to make, we support seniors by offering quality goods at excellent prices. We do all this while enjoying friendship and creative opportunities.
- We worked with the Diamond Anniversary Committee and donated a diamond quilt for raffle at a Century House event.

#### **SCRABBLE – Betty Despres / Executive Liaison – Sandra Keayes**

- Met **52** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **339**
- An example of the utility of this activity group is that a woman suffering from dementia comes to play. She is good with words and nice to talk to.

#### **SENIOR PEER COUNSELLING – Christine Mottershead / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **41** times in 2018 – 996 hours; Total Attendance – **2,041.5** / Notable 90's – 65; Tinnitus – 125
- **Highlights of 2018:** In November and December we were busy organizing a new training program for SPC to start on January 17, 2019. This will give us a new group of 12 to help by

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September 2019. We also received a grant from the City of New Westminster to start a 'Pilot Outreach' program.

- We not only give support to seniors at Century House, but work with seniors within the city who may be having problems adjusting.
- At the end of March we will be offering 'friendly visitors' to isolated seniors, whether at home, in care or just needing companionship.

#### **SNOOKER – Richard Manchu / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- We have had a particularly good year, both with membership and in upgrading our equipment. Our snooker team belongs to the Lower Mainland Seniors Association and, so far, we have been in first place amongst 9 members in our annual tournament. Our team members are great ambassadors for Century House.
- We provide a supporting group of members, many of whom have health and other issues related to aging. We are open to new membership and can provide instruction. Snooker playing provides and promotes both physical and mental health. We meet 7 days per week.

#### **SQUARE DANCE – Diane Lewis & Jim Brown / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- Met **28** times in 2018
- Our Christmas Dance had 30 for dinner, but only 3 squares for dancing. The Century House kitchen provided a delicious chicken lunch and as our numbers kept changing, they somehow pulled through.
- This group is important for seniors who like to keep active in dance and fellowship, but are unable to drive in the dark.
- We take beginners every Monday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm.

#### **SUNDAY DANCE – Joan Tabin / Executive Liaison – Audrey Soroka**

- Met **41** times in 2018
- Our Christmas Dinner Dance had an excellent meal, great servers and many prizes.
- We also had special theme dances, e.g., Thanksgiving, Halloween, Remembrance Day, Robbie Burns, Chinese New Year, Valentines Day, Western, St. Patrick's Day – all special. In June we had a Hawaiian theme, with 90+ guests.
- We enjoy a friendly, caring group with most dancers attending regularly every Sunday, with an average attendance of 60-65 dancers. We welcome new members.

#### **TUESDAY CRAFTS – Dianne Clarke / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **48** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **630; 22 Members**
- Our year began with a successful election of a new Co-chair, Lynn Fedorink; Janice Griffiths returning as Treasurer; and me returning as Co-chair.
- Financially, this was a good year. We are all volunteers and 100% of the proceeds from our endeavours go directly to support Century House.
- This year we participated in the **Trinket Market** at the annual Senior Festival and brought in \$115.00. Sales from our items in the Display Cabinet at CH came to \$830.50. We brought in \$874.25 from the November Craft Fair and CH. We are very pleased to give Century House a total of **\$1,819.75** in 2018.



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- A highlight of our year was our participation in **The Poppy Project** when Reena Drees, who helped spearhead this initiative, contacted our group and asked if we would be interested in learning how to felt some poppies which would become part of a poppy blanket. We enthusiastically said yes and spent a wonderful afternoon learning to make felt poppies, which were added to the blanket. The blanket was displayed at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day, November 11, 2018
- We mostly use donations from the community to make our items, although sometimes we do use yarn and materials from our own stash. Because of these generous donations, we have been able to donate items to a couple of organizations in New West. We have been able to use some of the smaller balls of yarn to make twiddlemuffs and to donate these to Queen's Park Care Centre and The George Derby Centre. Both of these organizations have been very happy to receive these and feedback from both have been very positive.
- After the CH Craft Sale, we go through our bins and find that we still have items in them. Because we all love to make things, we need to make room for new projects, so from these bins we donate extra hats, scarfs, kitchen items and other handmade items to the Senior Services Society to include in their Christmas Baskets, which are then given to their clients. Now we can make more things and fill up our bins again and be ready for another great year.
- This year we had a request from our very own theatre group to make leg warmers for their Christmas production. Two of us were able to make up 4 pairs of leg warmers which were worn by the elves in this production.
- In closing, I would like to thank all the staff and office volunteers who are so supportive of our group; from setting up our room every Tuesday to fielding phone calls about donations and other requests. We really couldn't do what we do without this support. I would also like to thank all the volunteers in Tuesday Crafts for all their hard work and the energy they provide to make this such a successful group.

#### **UKULELE THURSDAYS – Betty Varto / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- Met **51** times 2018; Total Attendance – **Avg 20-25/session**
- This year we experimented with different formats and start times. We voted on some ideas. During the circle session, people choose from 700 songs, plus a few others. We want to learn in-depth.
- This group supports the CHUMS offshoot performance group. Following are highlights of the CHUMS offshoot:
  - An attempt was made to make this a separate activity group and it failed for several reasons.
  - CHUMS player Betty Depres wrote lyrics for a Diamond Jubilee song which was performed at several occasions.
  - CHUMS supported the Diamond Jubilee Play on June 1 & 2, playing and singing songs assigned by the Director.
  - CHUMS entertained at the Diamond Jubilee Tea.
  - CHUMS participated in several places this year, including: Queen's Park Care Centre, Queensborough Rec Centre, Support for a Hawaiian Dance Troupe, Shadbolt Christmas Craft Fair, Irving House Christmas Open House
  - At Century House, CHUMS participated in the talent show and entertained both the Low Vision and Parkinson's support groups.

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- CHUMS struggle to find enough practice time: Sunday took up family time; Thursday circle has added time to practice some pieces, but many members of the big group don't want to perform.
- We practice offsite which is not ideal, as many playouts bring in money for Century House. Offsite practice was also needed to prepare to the Diamond Jubilee events.
- Music lightens one's heart and helps keep the brain pathways active, not to mention playing the ukulele keeps aging fingers nimble. Each player is valued, whether a beginner or a long-time player. We are all friends from different walks of life, but with so much to share in friendship and camaraderie. Just watch us at break time in the dining area!

#### **WALKING CLUB – Ann MacInnes / Executive Liaison – Carole Wylie**

- Met **48** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **754**
- Friday walks 2018: 273,787 steps / 254 kms. **Highlights:**
  - Watching an otter lying on rocks eating fish with its 'hands' at the West Van Seawall.
  - Finding new walks or reversing direction on 'old' walks: Spirit Trail/Poco Train
  - Bonus walks on Tuesdays: Bowen Island and Crescent Beach
- We enjoy sharing information regarding other programs at Century House and in the community.

#### **WEDNESDAY CRAFTS – Gwen Dumfries / Executive Liaison – Elizabeth Philip**

- We have donated many hats and scarves to group in New Westminster over the year. In September we donated purple baby hats to the Shaken Baby Awareness Program. Baby Hats were donated to the RCH maternity ward.
- Our group is a very social and talkative number of women. We share patterns, as well as knitting and crocheting tips with lots of laughter.

#### **WHIST (Thursday) – David Cordery / Executive Liaison – Frances Blake**

- Met **52** times in 2018; Total Attendance – **545**
- In September our group ran a very successful tournament involving several other senior centres.

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**15-minute BREAK for time to socialize and enjoy the beverages, cookies and fruit**

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#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**President: Carole Wylie** – First of all, I would like to recognize the wonderful Staff at Century House. Please join me in showing our appreciation for everything they do on behalf of members of the Century House Association.

Last but certainly not least I have a huge thank you to the members of the Century House Executive this past year:

- Past President, Elizabeth Phillip
- First Vice President, Frances Blake
- Second Vice President, Rita Solkin
- Third Vice President, Sandra Keyes
- Secretary, Audrey Soroka
- Treasurer, Betty Young

You have been a terrific team and the Century House Association has benefited greatly by your efforts on behalf of the membership. Thank you.

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**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Frances Blake** - Thank you. I'm enjoying my position on the Executive Committee. It's been a roller coaster ride, but I am enjoying it. All the best to everyone for the New Year.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Rita Solkin** – Unable to attend.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: Sandra Keayes** - It has been a great pleasure to be volunteering here at Century House and to be part of the Executive Committee.

**Secretary: Audrey Soroka** - This position has given me a greater understanding of all the great things happening at Century House and in the community of New Westminster overall. I continuing to be a part of various activity groups, including yoga and art.

**Treasurer: Betty Young** – Unable to attend the AGM

**Robyn McGuinness – Manager, Century House Seniors & Youth Services**

**Election of 2019 Executive Officers - Steve Kellock, Senior Manager, Recreation Services & Facilities**

President	Carole Wylie
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Frances Blake
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Rita Solkin
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Sandra Keayes
Secretary	Audrey Soroka
Treasurer	Betty Young
Past President	Elizabeth Philip

**Carole Wylie – Adjournment**

**Door Prizes were made with Adjournment @ 11:55 pm**