



## COMOX VALLEY HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION

### Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation E-newsletter - September 2021

The population here in the Comox Valley is growing. Young families are moving in. Schools and workplaces are rejuvenating. Retirees - many young, vibrant, engaged - are choosing to live here. Like never before, our community is teeming with life.

Never before has it been so important to affect our healthcare system - our lives - through charitable giving.

We want to thank you for your steadfast commitment to healthcare, here in the Comox Valley. We are grateful for our incredible community that continues to show support for each other and healthcare, each and every day.

I hope you enjoy reading the stories we have to share. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any comments or suggestions. I can be reached at 250-331-5957 or email at [Jessica.alred@viha.ca](mailto:Jessica.alred@viha.ca).

With gratitude,

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Jessica Aldred  
Executive Director

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### Bert H. Badey Cancer Services Fund



Local resident Bert Badey was a wilderness guide in northern BC for over 30 years. His years in the outdoors at his family lodge, and hosting guests from around the world, has given root to his profound connection with nature: how to protect it and enjoy it. As well as a deep awareness of the world around him as he learnt to quietly enjoy the breeze while watching for the rise of a trout. His keen observation skills and appreciation of the world around him, led to his passion of photographic art and his active involvement in the Comox Valley Arts Council.

When Bert was receiving treatment in the Comox Valley Hospital's Cancer Care Services Department, he noticed the interconnected departments ensuring he received the best possible care. From Lab Services

analyzing his bloodwork to inform treatment, Pharmacy carefully preparing his chemotherapy medication, to the team within the Wellness Centre administering his care so professionally and with genuine warmth.

Bert's appreciation of the care he received from all of these hospital departments led to his decision to establish **The Bert H. Badey Cancer Care Services Fund**. With his generous donation, Bert's fund has helped purchase items such as a second centrifuge for Laboratory Services to enable twice as much testing in the same amount of time resulting in quicker turn around times and improved patient care, for everyone. He has also funded the purchase of an electric stretcher for The Wellness Centre that will be used by patients receiving treatment for bladder cancers and biopsies. His fund has also supported online education for pharmacy staff and hot/cold gel packs to warm a person's arm before IV chemotherapy to make the treatment more comfortable.

"It is because of donations like Bert's that CVH can remain a top hospital treating our community. Medicine is undoubtedly an evolving and growing field that requires continuous learning, and this investment in education is rewarding for both staff and patients. " Shelley Waldstein, Registered Pharmacist

Bert's fund will continue to support the purchase of equipment or training in alignment with the intentions he set out with the Foundation. To find out more about establishing a fund in your name to support healthcare, or to contribute to Bert's Cancer Care Services Fund, please contact Jessica in the Foundation office at 250-331-5957.

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### **Dr. Andrew Remillard, ENT Specialist is Coming to the Valley!**



We are excited to introduce you to Dr. Andrew Remillard, BMLSC, MD, FRCSC and new Comox Valley ENT (Ear Nose and Throat) Specialist.

Dr. Remillard will be the ENT Specialist for the Comox Valley, starting this fall. He is excited about "the new hospital. It is really impressive. I'm looking forward to working in such a modern, state of the art hospital."

Last fall we asked our community for support to purchase an ENT Surgical Navigation System to encourage the recruitment of a top-notch ENT to our community. With heartfelt gratitude for the donations we received from businesses and members of our community, this equipment will be purchased for the Comox Valley Hospital. The ENT Surgical Navigation System is essential in providing care, and having access to this equipment was key for Andrew when making his decision to move to the Comox Valley as it allows him to offer the full extent of his knowledge in providing care. In a typical year, it is expected that Andrew will perform over 200 surgical procedures, while also providing care to over 4,000 patients. Having an ENT Specialist here in the Comox Valley will also reduce travel time for many local patients, as currently, they are having to leave our community for ENT-related appointments.

Dr. Remillard graduated from the University of British Columbia before working in both the interior, and lower mainland. Dr. Remillard brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Comox Valley. "We are excited to welcome Dr. Remillard to the Comox Valley Hospital this coming fall. Re-establishment of a locally-based ENT service is vitally important to both the community and the hospital. We are looking forward to working with Dr. Remillard as his knowledge and expertise are put to use developing and expanding surgical care in the Comox Valley." – Dr. Nicholas Kimberley, Comox Valley Hospital.

"I am beyond grateful that community members are willing to donate and support the expansion of care in the Comox Valley. It is encouraging knowing that people recognize the value in having modern equipment, alongside an ENT physician in their community." – Dr. Andrew Remillard.

When Dr. Remillard is not at work, you will find him camping with his wife and infant son, enjoying the local slopes in the winter, rock climbing in the summer, and truly embracing the outdoors. Andrew and his family are keen to explore their new community while taking in the natural beauty of the island. Welcome to the Comox Valley, Dr. Remillard!

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## Celebrating the Lives of Philanthropists Angela and John Patrick



The John and Angela Patrick and Nellie Kushner legacy is one that will live on in the Comox Valley.

Predeceased by her husband John in 2014, Angela peacefully passed away on July 5, 2021. Gardening, petit point, cross stitch, reading and carpet bowling were just a few of the activities Angela Patrick enjoyed. John and Angela married in 1972 and always had a heart for giving and helping out where needed. Angela looked after the books for the Lion's Club Seaview Village in Union Bay for several years. John was a Board member for The Foundation and volunteered for The Views at St. Joseph's for over 20 years. John was also very active in the Lions Club of Baynes Sound, Fanny Bay Volunteer Fire Department and served as President of the Fanny Bay Seniors (OAP #127).

After many years actively involved in the community of Fanny Bay, John and Angela built their dream home in Comox. "When John and Angela moved to their home in Comox, it was an incredible loss for Fanny Bay, but was a wonderful benefit to their new community," shared their good friend, Joan Johnsen.

Together, John and Angela supported many areas of healthcare, including staff education, creating a sunroom at The Views, equipment for acute care, as well as palliative care. The Patricks cared deeply about ensuring seniors would have access to the best possible care, close to home.

In April 2018, Angela established The John and Angela Patrick and Nellie Kushner Fund. This incredible gift will stay intact and the income it earns each year, directed to healthcare projects that support seniors in the Comox Valley. Their permanent fund ensures Angela and John's generosity, passion and care will continue to help others, always.

"It is an honour to steward the legacy created by Angela and John. They were incredibly generous during their lifetimes and visionary in seeing the ongoing impact their giving could have on generations of seniors in our community." Stated Bill Anglin, President Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation.

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### The Benefits of Gifting Securities



Increasingly, our donors are choosing to give securities (stocks, bonds or mutual funds) instead of cash. When you gift securities directly to the Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation, they are not subject to capital gains, and you receive a charitable tax receipt for the full amount of the donation.

*"The planning strategy of donating appreciated securities has allowed Victoria and I the ability to achieve our annual philanthropic goals. The strategy enables us to give a little bit more in a tax efficient manner, a true win win. I highly recommend you discuss your charitable giving plans with your advisor." - Robert Mulrooney, Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation Board Member.*

The chart below is for illustration purposes. We recommend you work with your professional advisor to ensure any gift of securities fits your individual financial planning needs. We would be pleased to share with you, and your advisor, our form for facilitating gifts of securities.

Here is how a direct donation of securities works:

- You can transfer securities directly to Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation.
- We then promptly sell the securities after the transfer.
- You do not incur the capital gains tax, and healthcare benefits from your donation.
- You will receive a tax receipt for the full market value of the shares on the day the securities are transferred to Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation.

#### Calculating the Advantage of Direct Giving Securities:

	Sell Securities and Donate them to Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation After-Tax	Donate Securities to Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation
Original Cost of Securities	\$1,000	\$1000
Current Market Value	\$5,000	\$5,000
Capital Gain	\$4,000	\$4,000
Tax on Capital Gain	\$920	\$0
Donation Amount After- Tax	\$4,080	\$5,000
Your Charitable Tax Credit	\$1,877	\$2,300

No capital gains tax

Foundation receives larger gift

You receive more

When you choose to make a gift of securities to the Comox Valley Healthcare Foundation, you can feel confident knowing that you are supporting healthcare, close to home, and optimizing the tax benefits of giving.

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*Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.*

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