

# Connections

## News from the BC Association of Community Response Networks

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Edition - June 2009

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### CRNs Take Action

The fourth annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is Monday June 15, 2009.

We are proud to be acknowledging this important global day of awareness all over BC throughout the month of June. We invite you to check out local events that are upcoming and to help us "Stop Adult Abuse and Neglect – Together by supporting our Third Annual Province Wide Online Auction ending June 30<sup>th</sup>. [www.bccrns.ca](http://www.bccrns.ca) Items are being added daily (see over)

Thank you to local CRN volunteers and our Online Auction Donors for all your generosity of time and spirit to make

*My World...Your World...Our World –  
Free of Elder Abuse*

### Local CRN Initiatives

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

**Abbotsford:** Ag-Rec. Building; Abbotsford Diversity Health Fair; 9:00 am - 4: 30 pm. Over 40 exhibitor booths. Food, Entertainment (Bhangra, Pow-wow, Master Lee TaeKwonDo Demonstration, Children's events, and much more)

#### JUNE 8 – JUNE 22

**Kelowna:** Downtown World Elder Abuse Banner up for 2 weeks over one of Kelowna's main streets.

#### WEEK OF JUNE 7-13<sup>TH</sup>

**Castlegar:** WEAAD Info Distribution Media release, distribution of posters and bookmarks etc., to Pharmacies, Medical Clinics, hospital (lab, emergency, x-ray), Seniors Centre, and other public venues.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 13

**Powell River:** Purple Ribbon Campaign, annual BBQ at the senior citizens' Association. Community policing booth in mall.

#### WEEK OF JUNE 14-20

**Revelstoke:** Local TV station to show the main 'Oak Tree' video re elder abuse a number of times, along with a short PSA to alert people to these showings and provide contact info. A local person may submit his interview with two local centenarians, to the newspaper during WEAAD week. 'It is about their thoughts re: what they have observed, learned and may advise.'

**Vernon:** local seniors' bureau hosting fair during seniors week.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>

**Prince George:** Council of Seniors office, 1055 5th Ave; Open House, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

**Abbotsford:** Community Services Jasbir Saran Room; World Elder Abuse Awareness Day "Lunch with the Bunch; 10:00 am -1:00 pm; Play and discussions on elder abuse and neglect while enjoying "Lunch with the Bunch.

**Salmo:** Seniors Villa Lounge; WEAAD Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. and educational forum; a short presentation from the Victims Services Coordinator and a discussion on the topic "My World--Your World--Our World--Free of Elder Abuse".

**Revelstoke:** Moberly Solarium; Special Tea and Program for Seniors 'in care', in Adult Day Care (& their spouses or care-givers); seniors living in publicly-subsidized rental facilities, assisted living residents, executive of the local seniors



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association, representatives from each faith community and from the local Aboriginal Elder group.

**Kelowna:** Trinity Baptist Church, Springfield and Spall; Senior's Safety Fair; 9:00 am - 12 noon; Coffee, Feature Presentation – "You Can't Take It With You" by lawyer Jim Herperger. Displays by 30 organizations.

**Nelson:** Kootenay Lake District Hospital (Lobby); Information Table with qualified volunteers

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

**Victoria:** Hillside Seniors Health Centre, Yakimovich Wellness Centre, 1454 Hillside Avenue; Adult Abuse Awareness Forum; Community resources display; Presentations from Agencies; Networking with community agencies that provide services to vulnerable adults: Refreshments

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 20

**South Surrey:** SS Recreation Center; City of Surrey Seniors Education, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Educating through film "Finding a Future for Ellen"; speakers and community representative...the services and supports for seniors in the City of Surrey.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 23

**Duncan:** Providence Farm, Tzouhalem Road; 12:30 – 2:30 pm; Seniors Picnic Seniors Picnic to educate and inform about Senior Abuse and how to report and stop it.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 25

**Summerland:** Seniors Drop in Centre; 5:00 pm. Elder Abuse Awareness PowerPoint presentation outlining abuse, neglect and self-neglect...how to recognize abuse and how to get help.

Check it out for trips abroad, getaways around BC, outdoor activities/adventures, health and wellness experiences and diverse merchandise until June 30<sup>th</sup> at [www.bccrns.ca](http://www.bccrns.ca)

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