

Variety Membership Newsletter

End of Summer Edition

To all of our members, we hope you are having a wonderful summer!
Here are a few updates specific to membership as we head towards the fall season:

Notice for Renewal – Variety Membership 2018

Please find included in this package your notice for renewal of your Variety membership for 2018.
And there are a few changes this year:

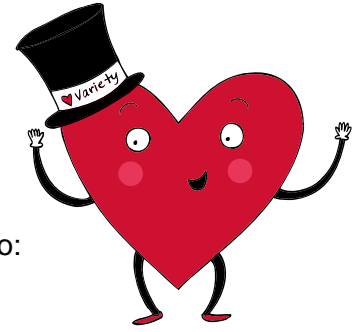
- **Membership fees are returning to the usual rates of \$75 for a single membership and \$120 for a family.** Last year the fees were slightly less, due to prorating them as we changed our year end. Now that we are on our new schedule, we are back to our normal rates.
- But there is excellent news! Variety will now be providing **tax receipts for your membership fees.** Plus **special discounts** will be provided for events like the Gold Heart Gala, Buy Low Market & Auction, Red Heart Awards, etc. This is something new so exact details will come out with each event. Now, not only is your membership helping kids...you are getting a series of little thank-yous throughout the year!
- As well, we are planning on creating a new **Membership Roster**, but before we can do that, privacy laws require that **members must opt in before we can publish their name, email and phone number** in a roster. Please read the box in the attached renewal forms for more information.

Please **renew your membership by September 15, 2017.** Those of you on **Automatic renewal, your credit card will be debited on October 1, 2017.**

Dates to Mark on your Calendar

We invite you to get involved with any or all of these signature events and remember to watch for special member discounts as more info becomes available. Your time, talent and treasure are appreciated by everyone at Variety and all the children we are able to help.

Gold Heart Award Gala – September 30
Variety Week on Global BC – October 30 – November 3
Buy-Low Market & Auction – November 19
Variety Christmas Parties – December 3
Annual General Meeting – December 5
Red Heart Award Celebrations – December 5
Show of Hearts Telethon – February 11, 2018



Member Updates

Over the past few months we have added some new members! Welcome to:

Clinton Dawson
Chelsea Knowles
David and Angela Stewart
Shafin Tejani
Nathasha Jategaonkar

Thank you so much for joining Variety and offering your time, talent and treasure!

Sadly, within the last few months, some members have passed away. We will miss them and their dedication to helping children in BC.

Grace McCarthy
Peter Joyce
Carole Fader
Dave Roels
Patricia Healy (Volunteer)
Margaret Kury

Looking Ahead

Watch your mailbox – virtual or otherwise – for the September issue of the *Heartbeat* newsletter, filled with more information and a wonderful story of a member meeting one of the families we have been able to help. The entire issue is filled with heartwarming reasons to be part of the Variety family.

Thank You!

Through the dog days of summer, Variety has been busy helping kids with special needs make happy memories with Variety at Work's Picnic in the Park and the Picnic on Grouse Mountain. Add to that the annual Boat for Hope events in Vancouver, Victoria and Kelowna and so many children and families have had reasons to smile. And all of these events have been made possible by your hard work and donations. Thank you!

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