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Dear Members;

Re: 13th Anniversary - Loss of Ivan Polivka and Jo-Ann Fuller

Today marks the thirteen (13) year anniversary of the tragic loss of Paramedic Ivan Polivka and Paramedic Unit Chief Jo-Ann Fuller. The crew was returning from the hospital in Port Alberni when their ambulance was involved in a single-vehicle accident. The unit plunged off a narrow road and into Kennedy Lake.

Please take a moment to remember Ivan, Jo-Ann and the eight other members who have made the ultimate sacrifice serving the citizens of British Columbia In the Line of Duty. We shall never forget them.

There is no time limit for grief, and although the intensity of emotions may lessen with time you may find the anniversary of a tragic event can evoke powerful memories and feelings. We would like to remind members that the Peer Critical Incident Stress Management Team is available 24/7 by pager at 1-855-969-4321.

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Sincerely,
The Provincial Executive Committee
Ambulance Paramedics of BC
CUPE Local 873

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