



Spring 2019



Pictured above is Angie Pizio gardening at Barlee community gardens.

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Reminder:

Pathways will be closed on
 Friday, April 19, 2019
 for Good Friday,
 Monday, April 22, 2019
 for Easter Monday and
 Monday, May 20, 2019
 for Victoria Day.

Pathways Community Link is written, compiled and edited by staff and people who receive services from Pathways. Please note that submissions appearing in this publication do not necessarily reflect the beliefs and values of Pathways as a whole. We would like to thank everyone for their input and contributions to this issue of the Community Link.

Thank You

Thank you to the following for their generous donations!

\$1,000+

- ♥ Jim Hadgraft
- ♥ Jean Hadgraft
- ♥ Richard and Terry Trager
- ♥ Leslie Munro
- ♥ Charisse Daley

\$1,000

- ♥ Chuck and Beryl Hopkins

\$500+

- ♥ Alida Penner via the "Alida Penner Charitable Giving Fund"

\$200+

- ♥ Rhonda Campbell
- ♥ Helen Polmear

\$200

- ♥ Wulf and Joan Gerhardt
- ♥ Sharon and Hannu Tukkimaki

\$100+

- ♥ Cyndy Omand
- ♥ Mark Wengrowich

Up to \$100

- ♥ Charisse Daley in memory of Laura Zaparinuk.
- ♥ Dianne Wirtz
- ♥ Kaeden Christian
- ♥ Janet Billon
- ♥ Gage Christian
- ♥ Charisse Daley in memory of Jeannie Wilson.

Touchstone Law Group LLP for donating gently used computer and boardroom chairs!

Thank you Glenda Mallach, JoAnn Hegland, Ruth Dodds, Cyndy Omand, Maureen Shepherd, Lloyd Horton and Alaina Reiswig for making a collective donation of \$110.00!

Thank you Hulda Haines for making individual \$50.00 donations in memory of Glenda Wielgosz and Bud Birch and an additional \$125.00!

Thank you David Knapp, Barb Knapp and Bettina Garry for continuing to volunteer in our community and participating in the TELUS Communications volunteer program. Because of their efforts, Pathways received a \$73.50 donation from David Knapp, \$129.50 from Barb Knapp and \$539.00 from Bettina Garry! Thank you TELUS for continuing with the awesome program!

Thank you Grant Cox and Fully Promoted for donating 15 customized Pathways Abilities Society t-shirts!



Thank you the staff of BDO for again for volunteering to serve at our annual Christmas Lunch!



Thank You

Thank you Pathways staff for service to the society!



THANK YOU



BC Golf Superintendents Association-Interior Chapter, Secretary Jeff Bennett and past President, Warren Blue present Pathways with a **\$1,500.00** donation. The proceeds were raised through their annual golf windup. Pathways was very fortunate to be their charity of choice this year.

Important Notice

**FRIENDLY REMINDER
ABOUT THE DATE
CHANGES for the
SUMMER CLOSURE 2019**

**Pathways will be closed from
Monday, August 19, 2019 to Friday
August 30, 2019 for the Summer
Closure. Re-opening Tuesday,
September 3, 2019.**



Please, consider donating to Pathways. Remember, that **any donation over \$20** is eligible to receive a tax receipt that can be claimed on your taxes.

**Be Great, PLEASE
DONATE!**

Mexico Trip

Mexico Trip March 08 - 15, 2019 Puerta Vallarta



Karen, Angie, Sandra, Bev, Jeff, Lorraine, Leigh, Scott, Brad, Dennis, Kelly, Mercia, Kat, Laura, Michelle, Brian and Manon enjoyed various different activities; walks on the beach, shopping and attending wonderful nightly entertainment put on by the staff at the resort.



Thank you Pathways staff members Glenda, Cyndy, Ruth and Candi for your amazing service to the individuals.

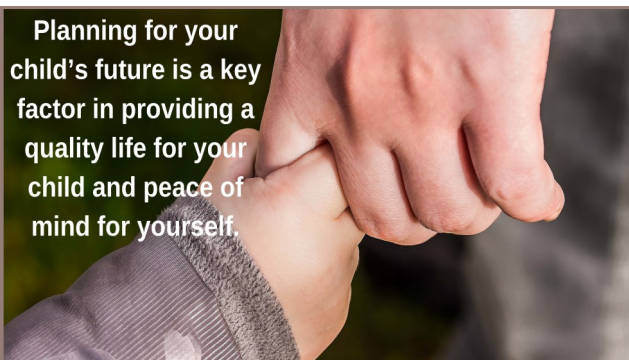


555 Fuller Avenue

Pathways is very excited and making progress towards a new affordable housing building at 555 Fuller Avenue. The society obtained a development permit and will be working towards submitting for a building permit in the months ahead. The planned 68-unit building will feature 9 studio units, 40 one bedroom units and 19 two bedroom units. For more information **please contact Charisse Daley at ed@pathwaykelowna.ca**.



Planning for your child's future is a key factor in providing a quality life for your child and peace of mind for yourself.



IS YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE, OR REGISTERED, FOR A REGISTERED DISABILITY SAVINGS PLAN?

Launch Community Development Foundation's 12-month Matched Savings Program provides free strength-based financial education and mentorship in a small group setting. We will match your savings 3:1 to put towards your child's Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP).

Date: January 2019 to January 2020

Location: Donated space by Starbright Children's Development Centre

Intake: November to January 15, 2019

Information request form: www.launchkelowna.ca/sign-up

Contact: Michelle info@launchkelowna.ca or 778-363-4959

Launch is partnering with PLAN Okanagan to help families navigate their way through the RDSP process and future planning during the year.



Launch Community Development Foundation
www.launchkelowna.ca



NEWS RELEASE- From the Office of the Premier John Horgan

On **March 31, 2018** Premier John Horgan announced that there will finally be justice for the former residents of Woodlands. Woodlands was an institution in New Westminster in operation from 1878 until 1996 which provided care for children and adults with developmental disabilities, along with mental illness.

In 2002, former provincial ombudsperson, Dulcie McCallum, determined that the residents suffered widespread abuse sexually, physically, and psychologically. Unfortunately, the Province sought out a ruling at the B.C. Court of Appeal to exclude residents who lived at Woodlands prior to August 1, 1974 from any settlement.

David Klein of Klein Lawyers, and Minister Adrian Dix began working on gaining justice for the excluded residents in 2006. Their work paid off and the B.C. Government announced on March 31, 2018 that the residents who were previously denied compensation will receive \$10,000.00 in an ex-gratia payment. It is expected that the settlements will be paid out by March 31, 2019.

Would you like to receive emails on information related to the "disability" movement, training opportunities or general information that may affect you or your family. If so please email **Charisse Daley at ed@pathwayskelowna.ca** and your email will be added to our distribution list.

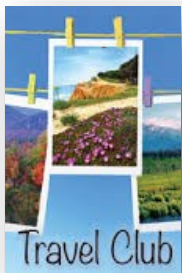
Customized Employment Spotlight

Charity Lebedoff – employed by QHR Technologies Inc.

Charity began her Discovery in early spring 2018. Charity moved from West Kelowna to Kelowna in April that year and began her customized employment at QHR Technologies Inc. in June 2018, working two shifts per week. Charity truly enjoys her job, which includes; stocking three staff kitchens and seeing that they are sparkling clean for employee use. She sets out several trays of fresh fruit and vegetables everyday for employee consumption, and ensures the photocopy stations are maintained with paper and other office supplies. In August 2018, QHR expanded and added a third floor, which resulted in another kitchen being added to Charity's task list. Some staffing changes occurred in October 2018, which prompted QHR to offer Charity an increase of two additional shifts per week. QHR's Lee-Ann Tiede stated, "Charity always has a smile on her face and seems very happy with the extra shifts. She is social with staff and greets everyone she sees." Charity is a dedicated and valued employee at QHR Technologies. Pathways is very proud of her accomplishments.



UP COMING SOON! 2019 Travel Clubs Trips



Trip Destination	Date	Cost
Vancouver Canadians Baseball *	July 2019—1 night	\$ 350.00
Abbotsford Air Show *	August 2019—2 nights	\$ 550.00
Camp Owaissi	August 2019—4 nights	\$240.00
West Edmonton Mall Bus Trip	October 2019—7 nights	\$ 1,600.00

If you are interested in any of the trips above please contact Glenda by email at travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca or Rhonda at fm@pathwayskelowna.ca or phone **250-763-4837** to reserve a spot. Please be advised all prices are **approximate** at this time. Cost and dates will be confirmed upon booking. Trips could be cancelled if there is not enough interest.

*For these destinations, please contact April, by phone at **250-681-3475**, or via email socialrec@pathwayskelowna.ca

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Westkey

Spring

Word Search

The Sunshine's Dream

By Krasimira Chakarova

The sun has gone.
Gorgeous it was.
From beam of sun,
Before the moon,
It has done
The graceful star
She kept the beam
And night came in.
Great she's been.
As a glowing beam
The sky became
A star's swing.
Had hug the wind
The sunshine's dream...

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Bike

Balloon

Flowers

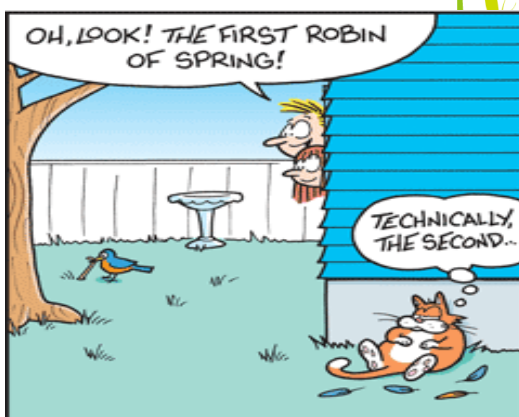
Picnic

Birds

Umbrella

Party

Cake



Pathways Abilities Society

Pathways Abilities Society is a not-for-profit organization, governed by a volunteer board of directors that provides services to people with diverse-abilities, their families and caregivers in Activity Services, Integrated Career Opportunities (ICO), Social Ventures, Residential Services, Individualized Funding and Home Sharing Services.

Pathways Abilities Society provides opportunities for over 220 people with diverse-abilities to achieve full citizenship by: assisting people to work, both in volunteer positions and paid employment; facilitating participation in community recreation and leisure activities; assisting people to live interdependently in their communities; teaching employment and life skills.

Mission Statement

To assist people with diverse-abilities to reach their individual goals and to participate and contribute as equal members of the community.

Mandate

To promote, organize and support the development and interests of all people with diverse-abilities in a manner consistent with the Mission Statement, bearing in mind always, the strengths of the individual.

Vision Statement

The vision of Pathways is of welcome...building communities that support and value the diverse-abilities of all people.

Pathways Contact Information

Activity Service

123 Franklyn Road 250-763-4484

Activity Service West Kelowna

2476 Main Street, 778-754-5677

Activity Service Seniors

778-478-0062

Activity Service Supervisors

Alaina: 778-484-4490, Maureen: 250-763-4484

Individuals not attending the Activity Service

call: 778-484-4490

Social Ventures and BikeWays

1216 St. Paul Street, 250-763-4839

Integrated Career Opportunities (ICO)

1216 St. Paul Street 250-763-4839

Social Recreation

April: 250-575-3912

Community Placement Developer

Lena: 250-763-4836

Finance Manager

Rhonda Campbell 250-763-4837

Executive Director

Charisse Daley 250-763-4837

Home Share Manager

Leslie Munro 250-863-2602

AQMA/LPN/Home Share Manager

Helen Phelen 250-317-2979

Employment Manager

Bonnie Fraser 250-763-4839

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