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Greetings from your MLAs



As MLA for Veron-Monashee. I am please to be a part of this invaluable *Community Guide to Better Living* that offers a very easy to read resource guide and important senior and health related topics.

Although our region offers unmatched quality of living and is one of the most beautiful cities in the world to visit, right now I encourage all citizens to stay safe and practice all social distancing protocols that are in place right

now due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

If my staff or I can be of service to you in regards to the pandemic or for any provincial matters. please do not hesitate to contact my constituency office and my staff will be happy to assist in any way they can.

Please stay safe and all the best!



Eric Foster
MLA Vernon Monashee





The Shuswap is a great place to live, work, and play, but as you already may have discovered, it's a great place to retire as well!

We are surrounded by beautiful scenery, we have world-class healthcare facilities, and plenty of recreation centers and outdoor amenities to stay active and healthy.

The last few months have been filled with uncertainty and new challenges, and I am

so proud of our region and the work we have all done to pull together during a difficult time. Let's make sure that we are keeping up that great work over the next few months — social distancing, choosing outdoor activities, and supporting our local small businesses.

I am pleased to again be supporting this great 'Community Guide to Better Living' and I am sure that it will be a helpful resource to find services or contacts in communities throughout the Shuswap North Okanagan.

As your MLA, it is an honour to continue to serve you in the Legislature. Our office is always available to help with any issues, questions, or concerns that you may have on provincial matters.

Until further notice, you can best connect with us by phone and email.

We are always happy to help.



Greg Kyllo MLA Shuswap



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Shuswap Hospice and Palliative Care Resource Centre

A compassionate community approach to care

Researchers from the University of British Columbia and the University of Alberta have developed an evidence-based intervention designed to improve the quality of life of older adults living at home with serious illness. The program, called Nav-CARE, uses trained peer navigators to help adults with complex illnesses maintain their independence and stay connected to their community. As their health declines, individuals experience significant challenges meeting their needs related to nutrition, transportation, activities of daily living, accessing information, making good decisions. and social support. Those who fail to receive adequate assistance meeting these needs are at high risk for social isolation, disengagement from community, and poor quality of life.

Nav-CARE takes experienced volunteers and provides them with additional training to help older adults living with complex illness make connections with supportive networks and services in their community. These peer volunteers visit client's homes and work one on one over an extended period of time using a "neighbours helping neighbours" approach. Together, volunteers and clients identify and solve a variety of practical problems that supports the client to live well even as their health declines. Volunteers receive ongoing

education, support and mentorship as part of their engagement in the Nav-CARE research project.

Nav-CARE is an evidence-based program currently being scaled out for further evaluation. Competencies for the peer volunteers were constructed by an international group of experts in seniors' care. The concept was tested in a one-year pilot, has been implemented and evaluated in 10 communities across Canada, and is now being scaled out to 14 additional sites across 7 provinces. Evaluation of the intervention indicates that Nav-CARE has a positive impact on volunteers, clients, and their families. Clients cite the benefits of having a consistent source of social support who knows how to help them overcome the challenges they face. They also report feeling more engaged with life and their communities, more confident of the decisions they make, and more aware of the resources available to help them. In the words of one client, having a peer navigator simply "made life more livable."

If you feel you would benefit from this program contact the Salmon Arm Nav-CARE coordinator at 250-832-7099, admin@shuswaphospice.ca or website www.shuswaphospice.ca.





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Proper Footcare and Diabetes

Canadian Certified Pedorthists – C. Ped (C) urge Canadians living with diabetes to make footcare a daily priority. An estimated 2.3 million Canadians

currently live with diabetes and 14 – 24 per cent of those are at risk of developing a foot ulcer that will result in the amputation of a foot or leg.

The majority of foot problems di-

agnosed in people with diabetes could have been avoided through daily footcare and proper shoe selection. Many people with diabetes have reduced circulation or sensation in their feet (called neuropathy), and are not able to feel if something in their shoe or the shoe itself is irritating their foot. To avoid the development of wounds or ulcers, it is vital people living with diabetes visually examine their feet daily and have footwear professionally reviewed or fit.

Diabetes Canada recommends that all people with diabetes should be instructed on proper footcare and have a foot examination at least once a year to avoid the risk of amputation. Foot examinations should include an assessment of any structural abnormalities such as feet that lean excessively to one side, causing friction between the foot and the shoe, signs of neuropathy and vascular disease, and evidence of any ulcerations and/or infections. Along with regular foot examinations, a daily footcare routine and proper shoe selection are equally vital to help maintain the health of the feet.

Footcare: Pedorthic Pointers for Patients

 Inspect your feet daily. Be alert for redness, swelling, broken skin, sores or bleeding. See your Physician immediately if any of these problems arise.

 Protect your feet from injury, wear your shoes indoors and outdoors.

 Wash your feet with soap and warm water every day, but do not soak them.

- Avoid heat pads or hot water bottles. With a lack of sensation, it is easy to burn your feet.
- · Avoid socks with heavy seams as they can

irritate the skin leading to breakdown or ulceration.

 Avoid tight constrictive socks and clothing that can limit blood flow.

Shoe Selection: Pedorthic Pointers for Patients

- Have your shoes professionally fit or reviewed by a trained specialist such as Canadian Certified Pedorthist C. Ped (C)
- Select footwear with: soft uppers with minimal seams; deep, wide toe boxes; firm but cushioned soles; removable insoles; strong heel counters; and rockered soles
- Lace up shoes offer a versatile fit and are recommended. However, if tying laces is difficult select footwear with Velcro closures vs a slip-on shoe.
- When purchasing shoes, remove the insole and stand on it. If your foot overlaps any area, the shoe is too narrow or too short.
- Make sure there is a full finger width between the end of your longest toe and the end of your shoe.
- Avoid seams over the toe area as they resist stretching and can rub against your skin causing it to break down or ulcerate.
- If you have a problem with lower limb swelling, ask your Physician about graduated compression stockings to help control swelling and improve your shoe fit.

If you are experiencing foot pain, or to have a diabetes related foot as-

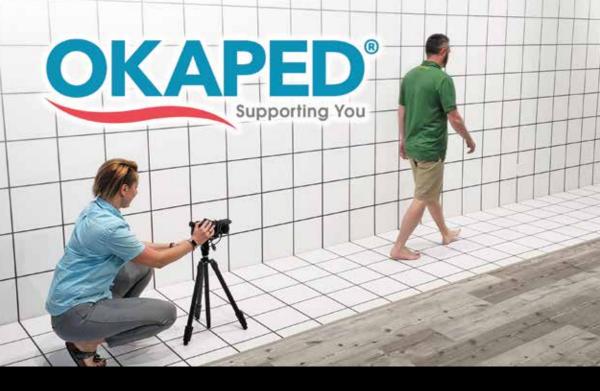
sessment talk to your Physician or book an appointment with a Canadian Certified Pedorthist.

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******* Habitat for Humanity*** Okanagan

Kitchen removal is easy, and you will receive a tax receipt!

So you are putting a new kitchen into your home. congratulations! Now is the time to think about what you are going to do with your old kitchen. Consider donating it to Habitat for Humanity Vernon ReStore and in return you will receive a taxable receipt for our resale value plus you are keeping good usable items out of our local landfill. Monies raised through the ReStore support Habitat for Humanity Okanagan homebuilding initiatives locally.

What do you have to do?

Easy. Contact us BEFORE to taking out your existing kitchen to allow us to evaluate it. We will schedule a date and carefully remove your old kitchen cabinets and take them away. It really is that easy! Call 778-755-4346 extension 213.

Habitat for Humanity ReStores



Habitat for Humanity Okanagan operates four decor and building supply ReStores with locations in Vernon, Kelowna, West Kelowna, and Penticton. The stores sell new and gently used items for your home and garden. From lighting to flooring, furniture to major appliances,

one of a kinds and antiques. If you need it, or want it, you can likely find it at a ReStore at a great price.

Restores help keep material out of the landfill and the proceeds from the sales help support Habitat for Humanity Okanagan's building program here in the Okanagan.

Our inventory is 100% donated by local and corporate business and by individuals like you. Donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

If you are interested in volunteering contact stephen.somerville@hfhokanagan.ca

The Vernon ReStore has both a build centre and furniture and home décor store located at 2707C and 2709C 43rd Avenue, Vernon

Questions? Email Lesley Phoenix, ReStore manager at lesley.phoenix@restoreokanagan.ca

Habitat for Humanity Okanagan announces future build project in Lumby

Affordable home ownership in the region gets closer as Habitat for Humanity Okanagan agrees to build six homes on Shields Avenue in Lumby. The lot for the project will be donated by the Village of Lumby in exchange for civil upgrades to be completed by Habitat for Humanity.

Initial plans are to build three homes with completion of the project further out. Timelines for the start of the first phase will be dependent upon community engagement, local fundraising, project financing and the process of family qualifications.



For more information contact Neil Smith, COO at 778-755-4346 Extension 203 or neil.smith@hfhokanagan.ca



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War Amps Key Tags Protect Your Keys and Help Child Amputees

Deji Disu, 5, was born a left arm amputee and, as a member of The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program, is eligible for financial assistance for the cost of artificial limbs and adaptive devices, regional seminars and peer support.

Deji was recently fitted with a myoelectric arm which can sense muscle impulses, allowing him to open and close the hand by simply flexing his muscles. "This artificial arm allows Deii to be independent and do whatever he sets his mind to," says mom. Sara.

The War Amps Key Tag Service was launched after the Second World War so that returning

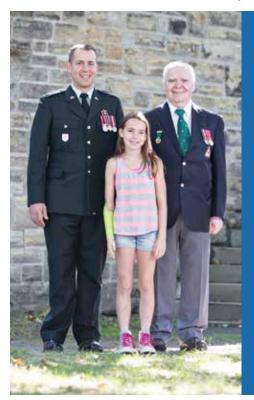


war amputee veterans could not only work for competitive wages, but also provide a service to Canadians.

Each key tag has a confidentially coded number. If you lose your keys, the finder can call the toll-free number on the back of the tag or place them in any mailbox, and The War Amps will return them to you by courier, free of charge.

The War Amps many programs for Canadian amputees, including CHAMP, are funded by donations to its Key Tag and Address Label Service.

The Association does not receive government grants. For more information, or to order key tags or address labels, call 1 800 250-3030 or visit waramps.ca.





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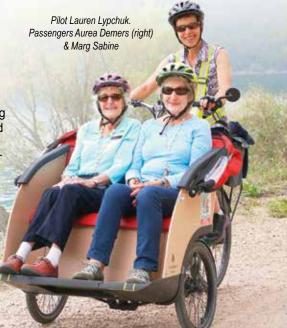
CYCLING WITHOUT

Cycling Without Age (CWA) is a non-profit organization established in Copenhagen Denmark in 2012. It is a volunteer program that takes the elderly and less able citizens out for free bike rides in specialized bicycles called trishaws. CWA has grown rapidly worldwide expanding to 55 countries with more than 2,200 chapter locations globally. There are more than 3.000 trishaws in use around the world with thousands of volunteers involved – and the numbers are still growing. The original dream of founder, Ole Kassow, was "... creating a world together, in which the access to active citizenship creates happiness among our fellow elderly citizens by providing them with an opportunity to remain an active part of society and the local community. We do that by giving them the right to wind in their hair, the right to experience the city and nature close up from the bicycle and by giving them the opportunity to tell their story in the environment where they have lived their lives."

Dr. Lauren Lypchuk (MD), the driving force behind the Vernon & Coldstream CWA program, was prompted to bring this program here by her lifelong work with the elderly and less able. She found this population group tends to be marginalized and isolated in society and knew this program would provide a welcome opportunity for those participating to experience life in a very positive and joyful way regardless of age or ability. Spearheading the program with assistance from her husband Dr. Ward Strong (PhD) and with support from Schubert Centre, it started June 3, 2019. Over the next 4 months, our volunteer pilots took over 500 passengers for rides on the Trishaw covering more than 4200km! Our 2nd Trishaw bike arrived in Februa 2020. Both Trishaw bikes were funded by grants (Community Foundation of Our 2nd Trishaw bike arrived in February North Okanagan) and through private donations.

CWA is based on generosity and kindness that starts with a volunteer 'Pilot' taking one or two passengers out for leisurely rides on the Trishaw through designated routes within Vernon and Coldstream. The double seat offers wonderful opportunities for social interaction between passengers as well as with the Pilot. Equipped with a removable hood and clip-on blanket, passengers can remain comfortable in changing weather conditions. Many passengers have enjoyed riding bikes in their younger years so this is a wonderful opportunity to get back out in the fresh air. The experience of cycling is about freedom, joy, adventure and purpose. Passengers feel valued. As several passengers have stated: "It's the best thing since sliced bread!" "It's been the highlight of the past several years!" "I feel like the Queen!"

We were very excited and looking forward to starting our second year in May, 2020 with 2 Trishaw bikes and with over 60 volunteer Pilots however we have been unable to run our program this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are planning to resume our CWA program when it is safe to do so... hopefully in 2021. In the mean time for more information about the program, in regard to volunteering or donating please email: cyclingwithoutage.vernon.bc@gmail.com





The Schubert Centre since 1983 has been recognized as the 'hot spot' for those 50+ in and around Vernon. The Schubert Centre mission is to help adults maintain a variety of social and recreational programs and services which are based on the abilities and interests of the membership.



The Schubert Centre offers daily. weekly and monthly activities. We have five rooms to rent for weddings, memorials, meetings, conventions, community fairs, banquets, birthdays, fundraisers and dances. We can accommodate and provide catering to groups of 10 to 300 on or off-site.



Meals on Wheels are also available through the Schubert Centre for people of all ages who are infirm or convalescing. Building a better community by supporting independence and quality of life through the promotion of health and well being.



The Schubert Members and visitors are welcomed to enjoy

dancing, tai chi, crafting, cards including canasta, bridge and table games, scrabble, floor curling, singing and tours. Bingo is Wednesdays and Sundays.



The Schubert Centre Coffee Shop is open 8 am to 4 pm from

Monday to Friday. Hot lunches are served and 'Happy Hour' is every Friday.



The Schubert Centre features a Thrift Store with men's and ladies

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leave the driving to us. Trips include theatre events, hot springs, historical villages, ranches and wineries. We even go to the Hills Garlic Festival in New Denver. Casino and Mall shopping trips to Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Kamloops and Penticton.

Halina Activity Centre







Halina Activity Centre is a charitable, non-profit organization. We are collecting funds to make improvements to our centre. All monetary and useful items donations are appreciated

Halina Activity Centre has been active for 47 years.

The Halina Activity Centre is in the Vernon Recreation Complex and is operated separately as a charitable non-profit organization, formally known as the "Vernon Senior Citizens Recreational Society".

From the entrance, you'll see the large floor of the "Halina Room" that for years has enticed dancers for our weekly live band dances. The "Halina Pattern Dancers", the Star Country Squares & Rhythm Rounds, willingly travel from as far as Kelowna and Salmon Arm, because they like our floor and the comradeship.

Parallel is our "Halina Room" stage, (from where countless musicians entertain and our Tuesday afternoon Bingo is called) are the markings for Floor curlers so they can socialize, and hone their skills on Monday mornings. Most months this room is filled to capacity on the 4th Saturday for our all you can eat "Pancake Breakfasts".

We have many affiliated renters, including, "Got 2 B Clogging", "Star Country Squares", "Sons of Scotland", "Fish and Game Club" and of course the over 300 members of the "North Okanagan Duplicate Bridge Club". This is BCs' largest Bridge club.

The Halina Canasta players meet at least twice weekly in our "Club Room" and are always ready to welcome new members. The "Club Room" is also where our "Halina Crafters", "Round Tu-Its", Quilters, "Time Out Stitchers", Dart players, Table Tennis players and many other groups meet.

More activities are being added monthly. Be sure to check our Activity Calendar online or in the Centre. There are so many affordable social, recreational and educational choices at the Halina Activity Centre. Come, find what you can enjoy. Bring a friend, make friends, join our Bus Trips, the Ukuleles or Accordion players. Visit our craft store, try our home cooking in our Centre Cafe, check out our "Billiard Room". Or, if you want to consider joining our club and becoming a volunteer, our volunteers will gladly show you the ropes and explain what the centre means to them.

There is ample parking by our easily accessible centre. We have Wi-Fi and our

Halina Room has a hearing loop, donated by Rockwell Audiology. This helps clarify selected sounds for those with hearing aids.

Having recently undergone renovations, the Halina Activity Centre is proud of it's updated look and is moving towards offering more activities for the residents of the Okanagan who have reached the 50+ plateau.

The Centre is open to all persons 50 years of age and over and guests. For more information, please call 250-542-2877, log onto our Facebook page or check out our website www.halinacentre.com

The **Halina Activity Centre** is Vernon's First Seniors Centre. It has been active for more than 47 years.

Formally known as the "Vernon Senior Citizens Recreational Society".

It is a charitable non-profit society in the Vernon Recreation Centre.

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We offer:

- Rental spaces for meetings, activity groups, and family special events etc.
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- Hearing Loop Technology to clarify speech for those with hearing aids
- A large sprung dance and exercise floor
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Regular Activities:

Bingo, Bridge, Billiards, Bus Tours, Canasta, Crafts, Carpet Bowling, Dancing to live music, Darts, Floor Curling, and so much more.

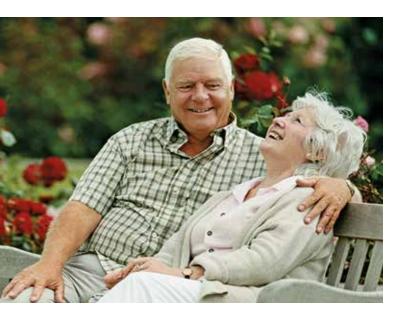


- Dinner Dances check calendar for dates
- · Pancake Breakfast on the 4th Saturday of the month
- · Christmas Party early December
- New Years Eve Dinner Dance
- Winter Carnival in February
- Spring Breakout in March
- and much more





Volunteers Help to Provide Great Services for Vernon 60+



As a community with the percentage of seniors higher than the national average, Vernon is very fortunate to have so many services available for our aging population. One community organization making a big difference in the lives of North Okanagan seniors is NexusBC Community Resource Centre, thanks in a large part to the help of many local volunteers.

NexusBC is a non-profit organization serving the North Okanagan. They assist seniors age 60+, their families, caregivers and the community to access services which empower seniors to maintain their independence and improve their quality of life. The range of services includes information on housing, transportation, home support and more. As well, NexusBC's large resource databank can direct seniors to community organizations for help with legal, tenancy and elder abuse issues. Volunteers and coordinators are available to help with filling out applications for Shelter Aid For Elderly Renters (SAFER), Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security, the Guaranteed

Income Supplement and more. During tax season, volunteers provide free basic tax returns for low-income seniors thereby preserving their benefits and financial entitlements for yet another year.

For seniors living in their own home and needing some assistance, the North Okanagan Better At Home Program is a highly valued resource. Services through this program include transportation, grocery shopping, minor home repair, yard work, light housekeeping and

friendly visits or outings. With funding from the Provincial Government, service fees are assessed on a sliding scale in order to help seniors afford the services.

In order to offer these services, NexusBC relies on the support of more than 40 volunteers. And more volunteers are always needed. If you enjoy the company of seniors and care about their well-being, there are a variety of ways you can help. Volunteers are needed to drive seniors to appointments and for grocery shopping; to help with light yard work and minor maintenance such as changing a light bulb or fixing a broken step. Friendly visitors are needed to spend time with a senior doing activities you both enjoy and those that love paper pushing are needed at tax time. A free criminal record check is conducted on all volunteers. For more information, please visit www.nexusbc.ca or phone NexusBC at 250.545.0585





Helping seniors 60+
maintain their
independence and
improve their
quality of life.



NexusBC Seniors Services and the Better At Home Program are happy to help seniors with the following:

- ▶ Assistance with CPP, OAS and GIS pension applications
- ▶ Assistance with Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters (SAFER) applications
- ▶ Information on seniors housing
- ▶ Directory of affordable services for seniors including home support and out-of-town rides to medical appointments
- ▶ Free income tax returns during tax season for low income seniors
- Transportation to appointments and for grocery shopping
- ▶ Light housekeeping
- ▶ Minor home repair and light yard work
- ▶ Friendly visits by volunteers

Located at:

102 - 3201 30th Street, Vernon BC

Phone: **250.545.0585**

Visit us online at

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United Way helping seniors remain independent.

Better at Home is funded by the Government of BC and managed by the United Way.

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Not able to volunteer? Donations are gratefully accepted. We are a registered charity.

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The Shuswap's most popular heritage attraction opens for the 2021 season!

Real History - Good Food - Hands-On Activities

R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum. located at 751-Highway 97B, opens for the 2021 season on May 11. The Heritage Village offers a unique and authentic experience for visitors who can explore first

hand the rich history of Salmon Arm and the Shuswap. Set on 40 acres of the prettiest farmland in the Shuswap, the Heritage Village features 24 relocated and replicated buildings. with over 30 exhibits to discover, including the original 1910 Haney House.

The Village & Museum are open Wednesday to Sunday from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm and during July and August are open seven days a week. Your admission to the Village includes all of the handson activities, a guided tour of the Haney House and access to the Village, Museum and trails.

If you are looking for a quaint and unique lunch experience, drop by the Village's Sprig of Heather restaurant. It is located in the heart of the Heritage Village, offering indoor or outdoor seating for up to 150 guests with sweeping views of the Salmon Valley Homestead and Laitinen

House. The Sprig of Heather serves up a delicious daily lunch special, regular menu items and homebaked goodies. Visitors who would like to go for lunch but are not staying to look at the Village & Museum can ask for a free visitors pass at the gate.

A must-see is the very popular Villains and Vittles Dinner Theatre Production, Ticket

holders enjoy a home-cooked meal and live theatre with shows every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday evening in July and August. Reservations are a must, and seating is limited, so call early. You don't want to miss this highlight of Salmon Arm's summer entertainment!

Throughout the season, visitors also experience the many special events, including High Tea, Father's Day, Pioneer Day, the Classic Antique Car Show, Harvest Celebration, and more, For information on what's happening at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum, including admission cost, hours of operation, daily activities and volunteering opportunities, call 250-832-5243 or visit their website www.salmonarmmuseum.org. A visit to the Village from May – September is well worth the trip!



Real History - Hands-on-Activities - Good Food A visit to the Village from May - September is well worth the trip! Join us for Dinner Theatre in July & August every Wednesday, Friday & Sunday. Reservations are a must!

> 751 Highway 97B NE Salmon Arm BC 250-832-5243 For hours and rates visit www.salmonarmmuseum.org

Cheddar Squeakerz

"Cheddar Squeakerz", also known as cheddar cheese curds; is what cheddar cheese tastes and looks like on the very day it is made, before the curds have been put into a cheese mould and the remaining whey has been removed.

What distinguishes cheddar cheese and cheese curds is age and the whey. Where cheese is all about aging and maturation time, cheese curds are meant to be enjoyed as fresh as possible, because over time the curds' texture will become denser and more like cheddar cheese. We call it Cheddar Squeakerz because when the curds are fresh they squeak.

Curds are made the exact same way as our high quality cheddar, but without the aging and the compression (meaning the whey is not pressed out of the curd). When our cheese maker adds salt to the curds, it makes them turn into all sorts of different shapes. The salt also works as a preservative; this enables us to sell fresh Cheddar Squeakerz at room temperature for the first 24 hours after it is made. This is when it is best, but even after being refrigerated; it is still great at room temperature, slightly warm or even melted. The only way to have the squeaky noise back after it's been refrigerated is to warm it up. Make sure you do not warm it for too long or you are going to get a puddle of squeak, which is by the way, still very tasty.





We make the fresh curds on Monday and Wednesdays each week! Curds are ready after 3pm, come down and try them out!

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What is a Power of Attorney and Why Do I Need One?

Smart planning goes a long way and it can protect your wishes, your assets and the people you care for. Elise Allan, a Partner & Solicitor at Nixon Wenger LLP, answers some of the most common questions asked about a Power of Attorney (POA).

What Incapacity and Estate Planning **Documents Do I Need?**

We recommend you have a Power of Attorney, Representation Agreement, and Will.

What Is a Power of Attorney and Why Do I Need One?

A Power of Attorney is a legal document that you can use to appoint a trusted person(s) to make financial and legal decisions for you, in the event you are incapable of doing these things yourself while you are alive. The person you appoint is called your "attorney". You can give your attorney broad powers to step into your shoes as needed to deal with your finances and your real estate or your business and legal matters, OR you can place limits on the power that you give them. A Power of Attorney is a valuable part of your estate and incapacity planning.

Who Should I Choose as my Attorney?

You should appoint someone you trust because a Power of Attorney is a powerful document. Many people choose their spouse, a close family member or friend. A person does not have to agree to act as your attorney, so you should talk to them ahead of time and make sure they are up for taking on the job.

You can appoint more than one attorney, with different or the same authority. If you appoint more than one, they must act unanimously unless you state otherwise.

What Are the Duties of My Attorney?

The Power of Attorney Act of B.C. confirms that an attorney must act honestly and in good faith, must exercise the care and skill of a reasonably prudent person, keep proper records for inspection, keep your assets separate from your attorney's assets, and always act in your best interests.

Does a Power of Attorney Allow my Attorney to Make Health Decisions For Me?

No. If you want to appoint a legal representative to make personal and health care decisions for you if you cannot make these decisions on your own, you will need to make a Representation Agreement.

Can I Cancel my Power of Attorney if I Change My Mind?

Yes. As long as you are mentally capable, you can revoke/cancel a Power of Attorney.

We at Nixon Wenger LLP specialize in estate and incapacity planning. Please contact us and we would be happy to help you prepare a Power of Attorney as part of your complete estate and incapacity plan.

Elise Allan is a Partner at Nixon Wenger LLP who works extensively with individuals, assisting them in such matters as the purchasing and selling of real estate. preparing Wills, Powers of Attorney and Representation Agreements as well as obtaining Grants of Probate.

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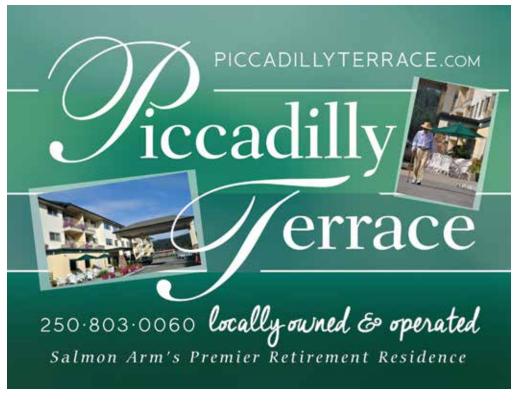
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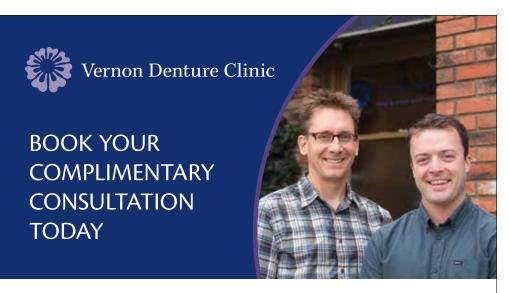
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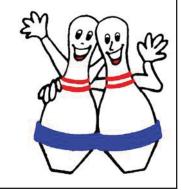
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Search online for "speech to text" apps. While a masked person is speaking, the app can print the person's words onto your screen so you can read what is being said. Example: Google Live Transcribe https:// youtu.be/jLCwjlaPXwA



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masked person wear the remote microphone which will send their voice directly into your hearing aids from up to 25 feet away!

Hearing aid "mask mode": If you wear hearing aids, ask your hearing care professional about setting up a "mask mode" program. Researchers have identified specific speech sounds that are reduced in volume when a mask is worn. Adjustments can be made to hearing aids to boost these sounds and help hear masked voices easier.

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Contact your hearing care professional to learn more tips!

Tosha R. Hodgson, BA, MCISc, Aud(C), RAUD, RHIP Reg. Audiologist & Hearing Instrument Practitioner, Rockwell Audiology



Evolution of Hearing Aids



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Tips to Avoid Falls

When you say "YES" to these questions, falls become less likely.

Do I exercise regularly?	D
☐ Yes ☐ No	
Regular, moderate physical activity increases your muscle strength and balance. Your provider can provide an exercise program that's right for you.	S N P
Do I follow a sensible, balanced diet?	r
☐ Yes ☐ No	В
Good nutrition results in higher energy. And for stronger bones, remember to include calcium and vitamin D if approved by	y a p a
your doctor.	Н
Have I done a home safety inspection?	n
☐ Yes ☐ No	T
Eliminate obvious hazards (such as poor lighting, throw rugs and clutter). Add safety modi cations (such as grab bars, nonslip mats and night lights).	ri d ir p th
Do I take extra care?	h g
☐ Yes ☐ No	
Take your time and think ahead, especially in new or unfamiliar places. When you rise from your chair stand for a few seconds.	S

Do I wear the right shoes?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Select sturdy, low-heeled shoes with rubber soles for traction.

Make sure they are fitted properly

Has my healthcare provider reviewed my medications?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Be sure to report all medications you are taking, both prescription and over-the-counter, so that your provider can assess the benefits and risks of each drug.

Have I discussed my fears with my healthcare provider?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Tell your doctor if you've experienced a fall or if you're having dizziness, balance problems or impaired vision. Balance classes, physical therapy or occupational therapy may be recommended to help you walk more safely and to get up correctly if you do fall.

Do I have a medical alert service?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Knowing that prompt help is available can give you the confidence to be as active as possible.

Common conditions in older adults increase the risk of falls

Heart disease, stroke, Parkinson's and low blood pressure can cause dizziness, balance problems and fatigue.

Diabetes can cause a loss of sensation in the feet, leading to a reduced "sense of place."

Arthritis results in loss of flexibility and increased difficulty maintaining balance.

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and heart failure result in breathing difficulties, weakness and fatigue, even with only slight exertion.

Vision problems,

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We imagine a community where everyone is empowered to make good health decisions for themselves and their families. Our mission is to improve the health and well-being of the community by addressing health literacy needs. We accomplish our goal by operating a health resource centre that is free and easily accessible to everyone.

The John Rudy Health Resource Centre Association is a non-profit

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contact health services and supports on your behalf, assist you to complete forms and make phone calls, and so much more.

We are located in Vernon, but people from anywhere can access us by calling or sending an email. If you live in the North Okanagan or Shuswap please feel free to contact us and we will do our absolute best to help you find and connect with health services or supports, read or understand health information and know which health or disability resources you may be eligible.

Our drop-in office hours have been temporarily cancelled during the COVID-19 pandemic, but we are available by phone, email and Facebook messenger. We will resume drop-in office hours once the authorities declare it is safe for clients and staff.

Once a community member has information and resources explained to them, they can then ask health professionals questions and make good choices. Our services help people move from feeling stressed, overwhelmed, and a casualty of the health care system, to feeling empowered, strong, and confident. Then and only then can the person deal and cope with the health issue affecting them.

If you would like to learn more, or would like to donate, please contact the founder and Executive Director, Chantelle Fairbrother at 250-938-8092 or email her at info@johnrudyhealth.ca. You can also find us on the web at www.johnrudyhealth.ca/.

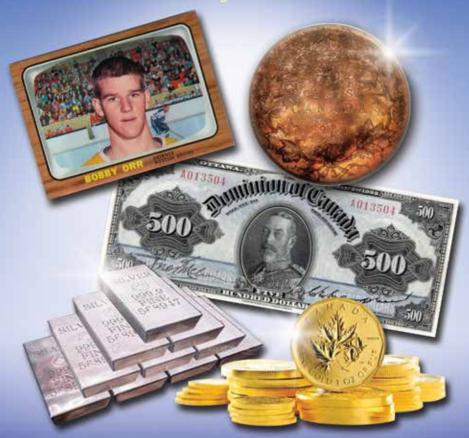
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Fridays - 10am-1pm, until end of October Splatsin Community Centre parking lot **5767 Old Vernon Road** www.Facebook.com/EnderbyFarmersMarket **250.306.6582** Gabriele

DeMille's Farm Market

Fresh fruit & produce from the Okanagan & Shuswap. Fresh baked bread & home baked goods. Open all year, 7 days/ week, 8 am to sunset. Farm animals. www.demillesfarmmarket.com
3710 TC Highway SW, Salmon Arm
250.832.7550

Lake Country Farmers' Market

See our ad on page 65

Friday 3-7pm Swalwell Park June-Sept Fresh local produce & foods, handcrafts www.lakecountryfarmersmarket.webs.com 250.826.7100 Shayne

Lumby Public Market - Every Sat May to Oct 10. 9am-1pm, Oval Park, Glencaird www.LumbyMarket.com
250.549.0744 Elsie

Salmon Arm Community Market Fresh produce, local crafts. Mothers

Day to Thanksgiving, Fridays 8 am-1pm 4940 Canoe Beach Drive, Canoe Facebook:salmonarmcommunitymarket/www.samarketwithheart.ca 250.803.1735 Susan

Salmon Arm Downtown Farmers' Market

Local food, artisans, entertainment Saturdays 9am-1:30pm, May 16-Oct 10 Ross Street Plaza.

250.253.4385 Shuswap Food Action

Scotch Creek Farm & Craft Market

Sundays, Victoria Day to Labour Day 9:30am-1:30pm. Local produce/crafts. The Hub parking lot.4120 Squilax-Anglemont Rd 250.679.2166 Connie

Sorrento Village Farmers' Market

Mothers Day to Thanksgiving weekend Sat. 8am-noon. Sorrento Shoppers Plaza www.sorrentofarmersmarket.ca 250.515.1265 Tanesa or Quinne

Vernon Farmers' Market

April thru October, Mon & Thur 8am-1pm Kal Tire Place parking lot 3445 43 Avenue *Vernon Indoor Farmers' Market* - late Nov to March, 11am-3pm, Kal Tire Place *www.vernonfarmersmarket.ca* 250.351.5188 Ingrid

Kal Tire Place, Kal Tire Place North

Check web site for Walking schedule (4 laps = 1 km). Also Events & Drop In Skating & Shinny Hockey schedules. 25% public skating discount for those 65+ www.kaltireplace.ca

3445 43 Avenue, Vernon 250.550.3257

Kingfisher Interpretive Centre

Volunteer driven community based salmon hatchery & environmental education centre www.kingfishercentre.com

2550 Mabel Lake Road, Enderby 250.838.0004

North Okanagan Shuswap Barn Quilt Trail

Explore BC's first! Painted quilt block squares on local businesses, homes Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce www.aschamber.com 250.546.8155

See our article on page 69

Okanagan Science Centre

We want to make science fun for everyone 55+ discount. Mon-Fri 10-5, Sat 11-5 www.okscience.ca

2704 Highway 6, Vernon 250.545.3644

Old Time Dance Club

First Fri. of month Oct to May-except Jan. Fun & great physical & mental exercise. All ages. Enderby Drill Hall. Admission \$5 no charge children, includes light lunch 250.546.6186 Estelle 250.515.1176 Jim

Explore British Columbia's first barn quilt trail!

The North Okanagan Shuswap Barn Quilt Trail features beautiful. painted guilt block squares on local barns, businesses, and residential homes in or around our community. These quilt blocks bring together and highlight the traditions of quilting and farming; two traditions that are very much alive in our community today!

Armstrong Spallumcheen

Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Centre, in partnership with Quilting For You, Shepherds Home Hardware & Outdoor Living Centre, and volunteers, is thrilled to host the North Okanagan Shuswap Barn Quilt Trail.

"Barn quilts are a form of rural graffiti that honour guilters and the textile arts as well as drawing attention to Armstrong Spallumcheen's important agricultural heritage," says Sean Newton, President with the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce.

"It gets people off of the track and onto roads less travelled," added Susan Wilson, owner of Quilting For You.

Since its launch in 2016, the North Okanagan Shuswap Barn Quilt Trail has grown from six quilts to over forty quilts, with each showcasing a beautiful and unique pattern. The barn quilts



are centrally located in and around Armstrong. The most southern quilt is located at Davison Orchards in Vernon and the most northern quilt is located at Blue Hills Lavender Farm in Salmon Arm.

Wilson and her team of volunteers research quilt patterns, collaborate with the property owners, and paint the barn quilts. Participants of the

barn guilt trail may choose to paint their own barn guilt, with the conditions of using a non-copywrite pattern and installing the guilt where it is visible from public property. With the help of Nor Val Rentals, a dedicated team of volunteers install the barn quilts.

The barn quilt trail is a self-guided tour, and participants can pick up a map at the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Centre, located at 3550 Bridge Street, or on their website. http://www.aschamber.com.

For more information, or if you are interested in joining the North Okanagan Shuswap Barn Quilt Trail, please contact the Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Centre by phone, 250-546-8155, or email, manager@aschamber.com.



Planet Bee

Honey Farm & Meadery, Tours 'n Tasting www.planetbee.com 5011 Bella Vista Road, Vernon 250.542.8088

RV Owners Lifestyle Seminar

An annual event at Okanagan College Kelowna Campus, **1000 KLO Road** Opportunity for new, or seasoned or wannabe RV owners to gain valuable knowledge on RV operations, maintenance and safety. Also travel tips, health on the road, destinations, full-time RV living, more. 2021 seminar dates TBA. www.rvda.bc.ca/rv-owners-lifestyle-seminars **778.490.0013** Joan - RVDA

SASCU Recreation Centre

Aquatic centre, fitness room, badminton, gym/auditorium, meeting rooms, Squash, Pickleball, racquetball courts, table tennis. See web for seasonal Fun Guide www.salmonarmrecreation.ca

- Active Salmon Arm provides maps of a variety of healthy walks throughout the Shuswap; Virtual walk of Shuswap Trail 2550 10 Avenue NE, Salmon Arm 250.832.4044
- Shaw Centre

Public skating/adult shinny/learn to skate. Arena walking loop. Check website for programs, details, adult skating, etc.

2600 10 Avenue NE 250.832.4044

Salmon Arm Curling Centre

Curling supplies, lounge, leagues Adult Learn to Curl program www.salmonarmcurlingclub.com 691 28 Street NE

591 28 Street NE 250.832.8700

Salmon Arm Silverbacks

Junior 'A' Hockey, senior pricing www.sasilverbacks.com Shaw Centre (south entrance) 2600 10 Avenue NE 250.832.3856

Shuswap Storytellers

Gathers at Askew's Uptown Community Room, 7 pm, 1st Tue of the month October to June. Everyone welcome whether you like to tell stories or just listen. Call for info 250.546.6186 Estelle

Silver Star Mountain Resort

Skiing, world class bike park, hiking trails www.skisilverstar.com 1.800.663.4431

Sovereign Lake Nordic Centre

World class cross-country skiing www.sovereignlake.com 250.558.3036 1.877.768.5253 250.260.5335 Snow Phone

Spiritleaf

Cannabis & Accessories Available www.spiritleaf.ca
102-2500 53 Avenue, Vernon
236.426.2230
See our ad on page 67

Star Country Square Dance Club

Hot new trend - best for exercise, using mind & body with dollops of laughter. For singles, couples, youth. Note: Weekly dance will resume when COVID-19 protocols are met Halina Centre, Vernon 778.930.0655 call Darlene for info

Vernon Curling Club

Pro Shop, Lounge, Senior Leagues https://vernoncurling.ca 3400 39 Avenue 250.542.6713

Vernon Lawn Bowling Club

Summer and winter activities

www.vernonlawnbowlingclub.com

Polson Park, Vernon 250.549.4100

Vernon Outdoors Club

Enjoying outdoor activities in the North Okanagan. Hiking, paddling or Mountain Bike excursions, snowshoeing, trail clearing by volunteers www.vernonoutdoorsclub.org

Vernon Vipers

Junior 'A' Hockey Club www.vipers.bc.ca 3445 43 Avenue Kal Tire Place 250.542.6022

Travel

BC Ferries

BC seniors 65+ travel free on most BC Ferries routes Mon-Thur except holidays. Passenger fares only www.bcferries.com 1.888.223.3779 Reservations

Friendship Force International

Provides opportunities to explore new countries and cultures through home hospitality, local hosts www.thefriendshipforce.org

Kelowna International Airport (YLW)

Contact airlines directly for flight reservations and questions.

Airport services information is available at vlw.kelowna.ca

250.807.4300 Airport Administration 250.765.5612 Airport Parking Courtesv Shuttle Services

778.753.3735 Valet Parking

National Geographic Expeditions

World wide travel - with boundless chances to be surrounded by natural wonders and exotic wildlife www.nationalgeographic.com/expeditions 1.888.966.8687

Road Scholar

Not-for-profit world leader in lifelong learning since 1975. Educational adventures created by Elderhostel www.roadscholar.org

1.800.454.5768 Mon-Thur 6am-3:30pm PT

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About BC, places to go, things to do, trip ideas, accommodation, transportation. maps, travel deals www.hellobc.com



Traveller Information System

Road and weather conditions, webcams, plan your route, mobile traveller info www.drivebc.ca

1.800.550.4997

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Activity Centres

Note: Activity Centres closed during COVID-19 restrictions. Not all information will be up-to-date.

Armstrong Seniors Activity Centre

Activities for 50+ include dance, carpet bowling, snooker/pool, cribbage, stick curling. Income Tax & Volunteer Driver programs. Potluck suppers www.armstrongseniors.ca 2520 Patterson Street 250.546.1118

Canoe Senior Citizens Association

9 am coffee Mon & Fri, Mon bingo 12:30 Tue & Fri night crib, Crib Tournament every 3rd Sunday. Yoga. Pancake breakfast 3rd Saturday, Potluck dinner 2nd Wednesday 5 pm

7330 49 Street NE, Canoe 250.832.8215

Chase Creekside Seniors

Canasta, Bingo, Carpet Bowling, Guys & Gals Exercise, Crib, Snooker, Wood Carving, Bells & Bows, WiFi Chase Seniors Centre 542 Shuswap Avenue 250.679.8522

Enderby & District Senior Citizens

Bingo, crib, Tai Chi, Fun 'n Fitness, pool, bridge, quilting, foot clinic by appointment. Seniors Luncheon Buffet Wed noon - Sept to June (delivery during pandemic) 1101 George Street, Enderby 250.838.7541 Seniors Centre 250.838.6755 Sue

Falkland Seniors Branch 95

Activities include billiards, darts, card games. Potluck lunch last Mon. Annual garage sale. Hall rental with kitchen \$30 5706 Highway 97, Falkland 250.540.7656 Angus, President

Fifth Avenue Seniors Activity Centre

Cards, billiards, keep-fit, chess, table tennis, darts, music, line dancing, sing-along. Hot lunch specials wkdays, pancake breakfasts, Birthday Lunches Sept-June Scheduled to reopen January 2021 www.5thaveseniors.org

170 5 Avenue SE, Salmon Arm 250.832.1065 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm Summer hours Mon-Fri 8am-4pm

Halina Activity Centre

An evolving 50+ activity centre, offering an ever-growing list of activities - Bingo, Bridge, Billiards, Bus Tours, Canasta, Crafts, Carpet Bowling, Dancing to live music, Dinner & Pattern Dancing, Darts, Floor Curling, Lunch & Learn, Square Dancing, Cafeteria meals, Catering, Hall Rentals

www.halinacentre.com www.facebook.com/HalinaSeniorsCentre 3310 37 Avenue, Vernon 250.542.2877 See our ad & article on pages 18, 19

Lake Country Seniors' Activity Centre

Wood shop, cribbage, sewing, Tai Chi, Power Yoga, Songster & Artists groups, Drop-in games, bridge, guilting. Prime Time Entertainment - 1st & 3rd Mon, Tue Seniors Lunch \$7, Frozen meals avail \$5 9832 Bottom Wood Lake Road 250.766.4220 or 250.766.5437 Anne

Lakeview Community Centre Society

Welcoming place for the North Shuswap community to relax, meet others, learn new skills and participate in recreational activities. See website for scheduled

activities. Emergency Preparation Centre www.lakeviewcommunitycentresociety.com 7703 Squilax-Anglemont Road Anglemont 250.682.6235 Jim

Revelstoke Senior Citizens' Association

Billiards, bingo, bridge, carpet bowling, cribbage, darts, Ballroom Dance Drop-in, Exercise program, Quilting Club, Whist, Genealogy Workship, Thur Morning Coffee Drop-In, Computer room

603 Connaught Avenue Revelstoke 250.837.9456

Schubert Centre

Vernon's Hot Spot Community Centre Scrabble, whist, crib, bridge, canasta, 500, floor curling, dancing, crafts, Tai Chi. Hall rental, Bus Tours, Catering, Coffee Shop, Bargain Basement. Meals on Wheels

www.schubertcentre.com 3505-30 Avenue, Vernon 250.549.4201 See our article on page 17

Shuswap Lake Senior Citizens Society aka Seniors Drop In Centre

Sat. evening bingo, pool & cards, Move to Music, beginners to experienced painters clubs, computer lab, wood carving. Spiritual Church Tue & Sun. Find us on FB https://drop31.wixsite.com/seniorsdropincentre

31 Hudson Ave. NE. Salmon Arm 250.832.3015 250.803.9688 Olena

Sicamous & District Seniors Centre Society

Early morning coffee drop-in Tue, Wed, Thur, Sat (\$1), Drop-in chair Aerobics Mon & Thur (\$2), Monday soup and a bun - by donation. Wed lunch \$7, Fri lunch including Wii, bowling or golf \$5, Cards pool, darts, table tennis available. Hall rental and catering available www.sicamousseniorscentre.ca FB: Sicamous-District-Seniors-Centre-Society 1091 Shuswap Avenue, Sicamous 250.836.2446

Sorrento Drop-In Society

Goal is to support friendship and well being through activity and information. A place to socialize and become part of the community. See website for Upcoming Events & Events Calendar. Sunday Church www.sdis.ca

1148 Passchendaele Road 250.675.5358

Whitevalley Community Resource Centre

Seniors Drop-In Centre (Lumby) Dogwood Lounge, Saddle Mountain Place Mon-Wed-Fri 9am-1:30pm. Knitting, agility exercise group, bingo, crib, crafts, live music, intergenerational visits, wellness presentations, seasonal classes and more. Nutritious, three course noon meal \$6 www.whitevalley.ca/seniors/

1751 Glencaird, Lumby 250.547.8866, 250.547.8821





Charities, Foundations

Before You Give...

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) web site has a useful resource called 'Giving to Charity: Information for Donors'. Facts about tax savings, donation receipts, charities regulations, and how to be an informed donor www.cra-arc.gc.ca/donors 1.800.267.2384 M-F 9am-5pm local time 1.800.665.0354 TTY

BC Cancer Foundation

Make a gift in memory to honour the life of a loved one, friend, family member www.bccancerfoundation.com

399 Royal Avenue, Kelowna V1Y 5L3 250.712.3921 1.866.230.9988

BC SPCA

Non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and enhancing the quality of life for domestic, farm & wild animals www.spca.bc.ca

- 1.855.622.7722 Animal Cruelty Hotline
- Vernon & District Branch
 4800 Haney Road, Vernon V1H 1P6
 250.549.7297 Tue-Sat Noon-4pm
- Shuswap Branch
 5850 Auto Road SE, Sal. Arm V1E 2X2
 250.832.7376 Tue-Sun Noon-4pm

Canadian Cancer Society

Make a One-time Gift, Monthly Gift, Honour Gift, Memorial Gift www.cancer.ca

330 Strathcona Avenue Kelowna V1Y 5K7 1.800.403.8222

Canadian Red Cross

Donate online, by mail, by phone, monthly giving, gifts of stock, planned giving - legacy, RRSPs www.redcross.ca

124 Adams Road, Kelowna V1X 7R2 250.491.8443 1.800.418.1111

Chase & District Health Services Foundation

Further the improvement of patient services in the Chase catchment area Facebook: Chase-and-District-Health-Services-Foundation

PO Box 1099, Chase, BC V0E 1M0

Community Foundation of the North Okanagan

Dedicated to improving quality of life in the region by distributing earnings www.cfno.org

304-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon V1T 1S1 250.542.8655

See our ad and article on page 12

Heart & Stroke Foundation

In Memoriam,In Honour,general donations www.heartandstroke.ca
4-1551 Sutherland Avenue
Kelowna V1Y 9M9
778.313.8090
1.866.432.7833

North Okanagan Hospice Society

Respect, comfort and compassion in life's final journey www.nohs.ca 3506 27 Avenue, Vernon V1T 1S4 250.503.1800

Shuswap Community Foundation

Connecting people who care with causes that matter

http://shuswapfoundation.ca

102-160 Harbourfront Dr. NE V1E 4N7 **250.832.5428** Salmon Arm

Shuswap Hospice Society

Palliative/end-of-life care for patients quality of life, also their family and friends www.shuswaphospice.ca

Suite 4-781 Marine Park Drive Salmon Arm V1E 2W7

250.832.7099 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm See our ad and article on page 8

Shuswap Hospital Foundation

Accept, manage, disburse funds for the benefit of Shuswap Health Services www.shuswaphospitalfoundation.org Main Hospital Entrance

PO Box 265, Salmon Arm V1E 4N3 250.803.4546

Terry Fox Foundation, The

Working together to outrun cancer www.terrvfox.ora

2669 Shaughnessy Street Port Coquitlam V3C 3G7 1.888.836.9786

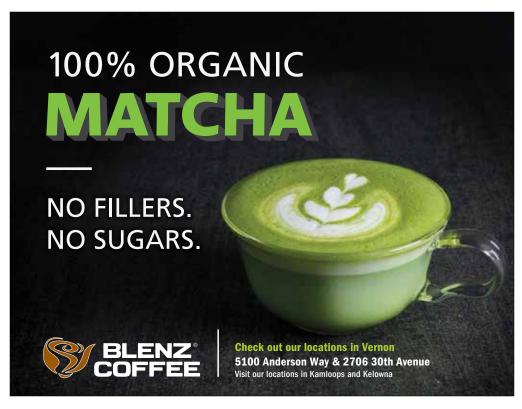
Sunshine Foundation of Canada

Dreams for Kids Since 1987 www.sunshine.ca 100-300 Wellington Street London, ON N6B 2L5 1.800.461.7935

United Way Southern Interior BC

Local giving. Local results. Serving the Okanagan, Columbia, Shuswap and Similkameen

www.unitedwaysibc.com Interior Savings & Credit Union building 200-4301 32 Street, Vernon V1T 9G8 **250.549.1346** Mon-Fri 9:30am-4:30 pm 1.866.448.3489



Variety-the Children's Charity

Enriching the lives of BC children with special needs and their familes www.variety.bc.ca

4300 Still Creek Drive, Burnaby V5C 6C6

Toll Free: 310.KIDS (5437)

Vernon Jubilee Hospital Foundation

Support North Okanagan health care needs with your tax deductible donation www.vjhfoundation.org

2101 32 Street, Vernon V1T 5L2 250.558.1362

See our ad and article on page 26

The War Amps

Committed to Improving the Quality of Life for Canadian Amputees, including children via the Child Amputee (CHAMP) program www.waramps.ca

2827 Riverside Drive
Ottawa, ON K1V 0C4 1.800.250.3030
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Education

CAA Road Safety Program

Seniors Driving: How aging can affect driving, assess & maintain your driving skills, adjusting driving habits, renewing your driver's license, good vision, driving at night, medications and driving, fitness & driving, signs that driving habits should change - declining skills, alternatives to driving, online videos, tools, and more https://www.caa.ca/seniors-2

Justice Institute of BC (JIBC)

Educating and training those who make communities safer, Canada's leader in justice and public safety education www.jibc.ca

825 Walrod Street, Kelowna 250.469.6020 1.888.865.7764

Kelowna & District Safety Council

Foremost nonprofit safety training facility in the Okanagan. We offer children's safety programs - baby sitter & basic first aid training, home alone safety skills,

beginner bicycle lessons, more. Driver training - beginning and seniors refreshers - and motorcycle rider instruction. Call for details or visit... www.kdsc.bc.ca

395 Hartman Road, Kelowna

250.765.3163 Register, class info

Literacy Alliance of the Shuswap SocietyFocus on literacy awareness, education
www.shuswapliteracv.ca

358 Alexander Street NE, Salmon Arm 250,463,4555

Literacy Society of the North Okanagan

Helps people with their literacy needs. Volunteers always welcome for the Reading Together program. Read with children to help build their confidence. Find out more on our website, or call. www.literacysociety.ca

303-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon 250.275.3117 See our ad on page 22

Simon Fraser University

Liberal Arts and 55+ Program
Opportunity to learn for the joy of learning, enhance your creativity, sharpen your critical thinking skills. See web site for programs and details www.sfu.ca/liberal-arts

1.844.782.8877

St. John Ambulance

First aid training, volunteer community services. Course descriptions on web site https://bc.sjatraining.ca

- Vernon/North Okanagan Shuswap branch
 1905 47 Avenue, Vernon
 250.545.4200
- 627 Victoria Street, Kamloops 250.372.3853

Thompson Rivers University

Open Learning offers distance learning for everyone. You can complete online & distance courses and programs anytime, anywhere to accommodate your active lifestyle and diverse interest https://www.tru.ca/distance

1.800.663.9711

Vernon & District Immigrant and **Community Services Society**

Services: Settlement, English Classes, Employment, Community Connections, Temporary Foreign Workers, Childminding www.facebook.com/vernoniss

100-3003 30 Street

250.542.4177

Library Services

Okanagan Regional Library

Books, music, movies & more www.orl.bc.ca/hours-locations 250.860.4033 Admin. Office Kelowna

Thompson-Nicola Regional District **Library System**

See also the Thompson Nicola edition of Experience 50+ Living

www.tnrl.ca

614 Shuswap Avenue, Chase 250.679.3331 Chase Branch

Meal & Food Programs

Community Garden Network

Greater Vernon model is a partnership between Regional District, Food Action Society, volunteer garden committees http://foodaction.ca/community-gardens Community Gardens (Central Okanagan) Gardens Grow Healthy Communities www.centralokanagancommunitygardens.com

 Winfield Community Garden 11187 Bottom Wood Lake Road

Community Kitchens Vernon

Learn how to cook healthy, affordable meals. Groups in various locations in NOS. See website for details. http://communitykitchens.webs.com 250.275.8814

Enderby & District Seniors Lunch Buffet

Wed noon, Sept to June, full course meal at Senior Citizens Hall, \$10. Note: Pending COVID-19 restriction removal.

1101 George Street, Enderby 250.838.6755 Sue

FED-Feed Enderby & District-Food Bank

Distribution 2nd & 3rd Tues of the month. Call for appointment www.enderbyfoodbank.ca 102-907 Belvedere Street, Enderby

250.938.3114 Mon-Fri 10am-2pm

Food Action Society of North Okanagan

Non-profiit charitable organization, mission to improve food security by cultivating a healthy, sustainable, regional food system through education and community action www.foodaction.ca

Good Food Box North Okanagan

Monthly box of quality fresh fruits and veggies. See web site for details www.goodfoodbox.net 250.306.7800 Diane

Good Food Box Shuswap

Food buying cooperative for those finding it difficult to stretch their food dollars

The Shuswap Family Centre

See web site for details www.familyresource.bc.ca/services/goodfood-box/

681 Marine Drive NE, Salmon Arm **250.832.2170** Mon-Thur 9am-5pm

 Seniors' Resource Centre www.seniorsresourcecentre.org 320A 2nd Avenue NE, Salmon Arm **250.832.7000** Mon-Fri 9am-3pm

Lake Country Food Bank

Food assistance to low income families. Tue-Wed 9am-noon; 1pm-2:30pm -Hampers only. Thur 9am-11:30am- new intakes only - call for appointment www.Facebook.com/lakecountryfoodbank/ 9830C Bottom Wood Lake Road **Lake Country** 250.766.0125

Lake Country Seniors Buffet

Every Tues. noon, hot meal for seniors at the Seniors Activity Centre, Bottom Wood Lake Road, \$7. Freezer meals available 250.766.5437 Anne

Meals on Wheels

• Vernon: Pleasing variety of safe, flavourful, nutritious meals by Schubert Centre. Available to anyone who has difficulty purchasing and/or preparing meals. Delivery in Vernon area at noon Mon., Wed., Fri. DVA meals available To subscribe or volunteer, call 250.549.4201 Schubert Centre See our article on page 17

Salvation Army Food Bank

Mon & Fri 9-12, Tue & Thur 9am-2pm, Wed 9-11. Food Hampers - call for appt. Hot lunches at Church Wed 11:45am-1pm Lunches cancelled during COVID-19 1-441 3 Street SW, Salmon Arm 250.832.9194

Salvation Army Food Bank

Only authorized Food Bank in Vernon https://vernonhouseofhope.com 3303 32 Avenue, Vernon 250.549.4111 call for appointment

Shuswap Second Harvest (Food Bank)
Wed 4:30 - 6 pm, Friday 1:30 to 3pm
Volunteer information - see web site
www.shuswapsecondharvest.ca
430 Alexander Street NE (rear)
Salmon Arm
250.833.4011

Send donations to:

Box 1062, Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P2

Sorrento Food Bank

Open Wednesdays 9am-3pm www.sorrentofoodbank.ca 2804 Arnheim Road 250.253.3663

Wheels to Meals

Note: Programs suspended during the Corona Virus pandemic. Call ahead.

- Armstrong: Wednesday noon full course meal at the Legion, \$9, pre-registration 250.546.8455 Legion
- Sicamous: Tues. and Thur. noon, full course meal at Eagle Valley Haven, \$7 250.836.2437 Delivery available \$8

 Sorrento: 2nd & 4th Tuesday, late Sept to mid-June. Sorrento Drop-In Centre. Home cooked noon meal
 250.675.5358 by reservation

Programs & Groups

Better At Home

United Way managed program helping seniors remain independent in their homes, connected to their communities www.betterathome.ca

- Lake Country Health Planning Society www.LCHPS.com
 10080 Main Street, Lake Country 778.215.5247
- Shuswap Better at Home
 Serving the Shuswap, Enderby, Chase
 www.shuswapbetterathome.ca
 250.253.2749 Central Intake
 See our ad on page 79
- NexusBC Community Resource Centre Vernon, Armstrong, Lumby, Cherryville www.nexusbc.ca
 102-3201 30 Street, Vernon
 250.545.0585
 See our ad and article on pages 20, 21

Churches Thrift Shop

Monday 11am-5pm, Tuesday to Friday 10am-5pm, Saturdays 10am-4:30pm https://churchesthriftshop.org 461 Beatty Avenue NW, Salmon Arm 250.832.8234

Crisis Intervention & Suicide Prevention Centre of BC

Help is available. We are here to listen, here to help 24/7. Call number below or your local crisis centre.

www.crisiscentre.bc.ca

1.800.SUICIDE (1.800.784.2433)

Day Break Adult Day Program, Vernon Socializing and Care-Giver respite. Community Care nurse referral needed Gateby Care Centre, 3000 Gateby Place 250.545.4456 ext. 35259

Elderly Assessment & Short Term Treatment (EAST) Program, Vernon

Fall prevention education, exercise, by referral from a Health Care professional Gateby Care Centre, 3000 Gateby Place 250.545.4456 ext. 35262

Emergency Management BC

Advisories of active emergencies, disaster readiness and recovery, fire safety and death investigation

www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/ emergency-preparedness-responserecoverv

1.800.663.3456 report disaster/emergency

Harmony Haven Adult Day Program Community Care Health Services 2-2770 10 Avenue NE. Salmon Arm 250.803.4525

H.O.P.E. Outreach

Night time Outreach for Women in Vernon & Kelowna by trained & caring volunteers

www.hopeokanagan.com Facebook.com/hopeoutreachokanagan 250.864.0399

Men's Shed Vernon

We build meaning and well-being into Men's lives. Meets Tue, Wed, Thur, Sat. 9am-1pm, Elephant Storage 6136 Okanagan Avenue, Vernon www.mensshedvernon.ca

Neighbourlink Shuswap

Together Creating Practical Ways of Serving anyone with hardship. Services include Re-Purpose Furniture program, networking community resources, emotional support. Free legal referral, Second Harvest Food program. Mon-Wed-Fri noon to 3:30 pm. See our FB page 250.832.3272 Salmon Arm

North Okanagan Friendship Centre Society We provide culturally appropriate health & social programs & services for all people



www.vernonfirstnationsfriendshipcentre.com 2904 29 Avenue, Vernon 250.542.1247

North Okanagan Shuswap Brain Injury

Comprehensive range of programs and services tailored to the needs of survivors of acquired brain injury and their families www.nosbis.ca

360 Ross Street NE, Salmon Arm 250.833.1140

Probus Clubs

Purpose of a Probus (Professional Business) is to bring together retired, semi-retired persons who have backgrounds of responsibility and to foster fellowship. See web for info Copper Island, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Shuswap and Vernon clubs www.probus.org

United Empire Loyalists

Organization promoting Canadian history. Everyone welcome https://uelac-thompsonokanagan.com 250.469.8348 call for info - Marie 250.838.9652 President Sandra Farynuk

VictimLink BC

Confidential multilingual 24/7 telephone help line for victims of family and sexual violence, all other crimes. See web site for details of services offered www.victimlinkbc.ca

1.800.563.0808 24/7 **604.660.2421** Text

Resource Centres

Copper Island Seniors Resource Centre

Providing info, coordination of services for seniors of South Shuswap. Better at Home, Computer Training, Foot Care, Seniors Lunch, Seniors Driving Seniors, Income tax preparation. Support Groups.

http://sshss.ca

10-2417 Golf Course Drive, Blind Bay 250.675.3661 Tues and Thurs 8-2

Eagle Valley Community Support

Society (Sicamous & Malakwa) Large variety of support services information, resources, referrals, literacy & computer support services, Photocopying, faxing, use of phone, computers.

evcrc@telus.net

1214 Shuswap Avenue, Sicamous 250.836.3440

See our ad on this page

Enderby and District Community Resource Centre

Working for a Healthier Community www.edcrc.ca

1110 Belvedere Street 250.838.9446 Mon-Thur 10am-4pm

Family Resource Centre Society for the North Okanagan

Senior Support Volunteer Program - trained volunteers provide support for senior clients experiencing various age-related issues



- social isolation, depression, dementia. Clients must be referred through IHA Seniors Mental Health team - call 250.549.5737. New volunteers welcomed. www.vernonfrc.ca

201-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon 250.545.3390 Mon-Thur 9am-4:30pm closed noon hour

John Rudy Health Resource Centre Dealing with a health issue can be stressful, navigating the health care field can be confusing. We can help! Free, no referral needed. Resource library, oneto-one support. Assistance with health related forms. Free workshops & seminars on various topics listed on website and Facebook. See website for hours www.johnrudyhealth.ca www.facebook.com/johnrudyhealth.ca 250.938.8092 Call for more information

See our article on page 56

Lake Country Health Planning Society

Provides resources, advocacy and referral support regarding health & social services. Better at Home, Blue Bottle, Active Agers (weekly exercise), Volunteer Driving & Visiting programs. Caregiver Support. www.lchps.com 778.215.5247 Office 778.215.2105 LCHPS Outreach

NexusBC Community Resource Centre

Providing a one-stop-shop to connect people to local resources - serving all populations

 Seniors Services: Assistance with government applications, Better at Home program - see listing on page 87. Community Services Directory, referrals to agencies for senior abuse and/or legal issues, Income tax program www.nexusbc.ca

102-3201 30 Street, Vernon Mon-Thur 9am-4pm 250.545.0585 See our article on pg. 20, ad on pg. 21



Seniors' Resource Centre

Meal services: Better Meals, grocery shopping. Programs: Caregiver Support Group, Day Away, Foot Care, Income Tax, Friendly Check-In, Senior Advisor, Lunch with Friends, Good Food Box www.seniorsresourcecentre.org
320A 2 Avenue NE, Salmon Arm
250.832.7000

See our ad on page 81

The Shuswap Family Centre

Lending Library, Good Food Box, Sustainable Food programs, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Community Kitchens, Support Counselling. See web site for info on all Programs/Services www.familyresource.bc.ca

681 Marine Drive NE, Salmon Arm 250.832.2170

Shuswap Hospice Society

Hospice & Palliative Care Resource Centre. Community Caring for Community www.shuswaphospice.ca Suite 4-781 Marine Park Drive Salmon Arm V1E 2W7

250.832.7099 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm See our ad and article on page 8

Whitevalley Community Resource Centre

Seniors services, Counselling & Support in Lumby & Cherryville. Family Support program, Mental Health Support program, Addictions Counselling, Information & Prevention, Volunteer opportunities www.whitevalley.ca http://whitevalley.ca/counselling 2114 Shuswap Avenue, Lumby 250.547.8866

Service Organizations

Archway Society for Domestic Peace

(formerly Vernon Women's Transition Society) We are leaders in empowering women, children and families to live with dignity and respect, free from domestic and sexual violence https://archwaysociety.ca continued...

2400 46 Avenue, Vernon

250.558.3850 Administration Office **250.542.1122** Transition House. Help is available 24/7 including holidays See our ad and article on page 63

Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans

Non-members welcome! http://anafvetsunit5.ca/

2500 46 Avenue, Vernon 250.542.3277

BC OAPO

Old Age Pensioners Organization
We support Seniors interests and work
towards improving their every day lives
socially as well as in matters pertaining to
their welfare. www.bcoapo.org

Facebook.com/vernonseniorsbranch6/

- Lake Country 55+, Winfield
 250.766.5437 Anne Robinson
- Monashee 50+ Club, Lumby OAPO 117
- Vernon Seniors OAPO #6
 Meets 3rd Tuesday (except July and August) at Schubert Centre 1:30 pm

 250.545.0384 Margaret Coglin

Vernon Seniors Br. 6 Orange Bottle Program
Personal & Medical information made
easily accessible to Paramedics
attending your residence. Call for info.
250.545.0384 Margaret Coglin

BC Partners for Mental Health and Addictions Information

Mental health and substance use information you can trust www.heretohelp.bc.ca
310.6789 BC Mental Health Support Line Free & available 24/7. Call for information or if you just need someone to talk to
1.800.784.2433 Call 24/7 if you are in distress or worried about someone else www.heretohelp.bc.ca/connect/community-resources
1.800.661.2121 - order publications

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Okanagan

Mission to support & enhance the wellbeing of young people through positive mentoring relationships. See web site for what and how to donate www.bigs.bc.ca
1.800.404.4483 Kamloops/Kelowna

CARP

A New Vision of Aging for Canada www.carp.ca

1.888.363.2279

Canadian Blood Services

Recruits blood donors, organizes and operates blood donor clinics to provide blood for hospitals in Canada. Use 'Find Clinics' locator on web site www.blood.ca

1.888.236.6283

Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC (COSCO)

Purpose is to advance the social and physical welfare of all BC elder citizens www.coscobc.org

604.684.9720 Sheila Pither, President

 COSCO Health & Wellness Institute Seniors Helping Seniors. Provides free workshops to seniors groups throughout BC. See website for list of workshops www.coscobc.org/index.php/cosco-workshops

Independent Living Vernon

Works for societal change, remove barriers so that people with disabilities have the opportunity to realize their full potential; Parking Placards program entitling people with mobility disabilities to utilize accessible parking spaces

www.ilvernon.ca

107-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon 250.545.9292 250.542.2193 TTY 1.877.288.1088

Kindale Developmental Association

Non-profit society providing wide range of services to people with diverse abilities in the North Okanagan Shuswap www.kindale.net

2725A Patterson Avenue, Armstrong 250.546.3005

Mothers Against Drunk Driving

No alcohol. No drugs. No victims. www.madd.ca

1.800.665.6233 Call for support



Right now, five million Canadians are living with diabetes and six million more are at risk of developing it soon.

Diabetes is an epidemic.

We need a cure.

Donate now: diabetes.ca

- Western Region Chapter Services Manager
 1.877.676.6233 Tracy Crawford
- MADD Central Okanagan Chapter www.maddchapters.ca/centralokanagan www.facebook.com/maddokanagan 250.317.9877 Jenn
- MADD Kamloops Community Leader https://maddchapters.ca/kamloops
 250.819.7812 Roxanne

Royal Canadian Legion

The Legion's 145 branches in BC/Yukon Command provides various support services to veterans
To find a NOS branch, go to...

www.legionbcyukon.ca/branch-locator
1.888.261.2211 BC/Yukon Command

Salvation Army House of Hope

Worship services Sundays 10:30 am www.vernonhouseofhope.com 3303 32 Avenue, Vernon 250.549.4111

• Thrift Store 5400 24 Street

250.549.4454

Support Groups / Self Help

Al-Anon Family Groups

been affected by someone else's drinking. See web site for meeting information www.bcyukon-al-anon.org 604.688.1716 Mon-Fri 10am-3:30pm To Find an Al-Anon meeting near you visit https://afghelp.org/find-a-meeting or call...1.888.425.2666

A fellowship for people whose lives have

Alcoholics Anonymous

Assistance, information and fellowship for those with alcohol related problems. Check web site for local meeting info www.bcyukonaa.org

- **250.545.4933** Armstrong, Cherryville, Falkland, Lumby, Vernon
- 1.855.339.9631 Blind Bay, Enderby, Revelstoke, Salmon Arm, Sicamous, Sorrento, Skwlax
- 250.374.2456 Chase

BC Responsible & Problem Gambling

When gambling isn't fun anymore, help is available all day, every day. Call the 24 hour Helpline **1.888.795.6111** See web site for free, confidential, individual, and/or group counselling for problem gamblers, their families.

www.bcresponsiblegambling.ca

BrainTrust Canada

Direct services for persons with acquired brain injury, as well as a strong focus on education, support and prevention www.braintrustcanada.com
250.762.3233 Kelowna

Compassionate Friends of Canada

Support group for families who have experienced the death of a child, any age, any cause. For meeting info call 250.374.6030 Kamloops 250.907.2487 Kelowna 250.675.3793 Salmon Arm 250.558.5026 Vernon www.tcfcanada.net

Crohn's & Colitis Canada

Check website for events in Kamloops, Kelowna, Vernon www.crohnsandcolitis.ca 1.800.513.8202 BC Office

FASD Okanagan Valley Assessment and Support Society

FASD Assessment and Diagnosis for ages 15-19, and adults. Support groups, resources, education and training across the interior of BC www.fasdokanagan.ca

104-3402 27 Ave., Vernon (People Place) **250.938.5022**

Gamblers Anonymous

www.gabc.ca

1.855.222.5542 24/7 Hotline

- Kelowna open meetings every Thurs
 7-8 pm, Kalano Club, 2108 Vasile Road
- Kamloops, Thur. 7-8pm, Desert Gardens 554 Seymour Street

LCHPS Family & Friends Caregiver Support Group

Support for caregivers who's loved ones

experience mental health challenges, brain injury, Alzheimer's or dementia. Meets every 2nd and 4th Wed at District of Lake Country Municipal Hall www.lchps.com caregiver@lchps.com 250.999.9374

Learning Disability Association of BC

Here to advance education, social development, employment, legal rights, general well-being of people with learning disabilities. Vernon chapter. Office hours Tuesdays Noon to 2pm at People Place www.ldabc.ca

102-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon 250.542.5033 Nadiene

Mental Illness Family Support Centre

Support, education, advocacy to families with mental illness and/or addiction or substance misuse issues. www.mifsc.ca

300-3402 27 Avenue, Vernon 250.260.3233 Walk-In Mon, Tue, Thur 8:30am-2:30pm. Friday by appointment

Mood Disorders Association of BC

Treatment, support, education, and hope of recovery for people living with a mood disorder. Peer Support Groups www.mdabc.net 250.832.3733 Salmon Arm

250.558.6900 Vernon

Narcotics Anonymous

Vision that very addict has the chance to experience our message in his/her own language & culture, find the opportunity for a new way of life. See web site for Thompson Okanagan meeting information www.bcrna.ca

1.866.778.4772 North Okanagan area **1.855.349.2722** Kamloops area 1.877.604.7613 Central Okanagan

Parkinson Society British Columbia

See web site for support group information in the Thompson Okanagan www.parkinson.bc.ca/resources-services/ support-aroups/

1.800.668.3330 Provincial Office

Prostate Cancer Foundation BC

https://prostatecancerbcsupportgroups.ca

- Kamloops Support Group 250.376.4011 Larry Reynolds
- Kelowna Support Group 250.762.0607 Bren Witt www.kelownaprostate.com
- Vernon Support Group 778.212.2045 Kal Newell

Quit Now

Free, quit smoking program delivered by the BC Lung Association to help you to guit smoking or reduce tobacco & e-cigarette use. QuitNow has all the support services you need - from online community to one-on-one counselling www.quitnow.ca

1.877.455.2233 Get Help Now

Self-Management BC

Programs give people the knowledge, skills, confidence needed to successfully manage chronic health conditions. Check website for a program near you. www.selfmanagementbc.ca 1.866.902.3767 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

Stroke Recovery Association of BC

Information and programs for stroke survivors. During the COVID-19 pandemic, meetings being held virtually http://strokerecoverybc.ca

- Vernon branch was meeting at the Eagles Hall, 5101 25 Avenue, Vernon 1.888.313.3377
- Salmon Arm branch was meeting at St. Joseph's Church, Fri 10:30am1:30 pm 90-1st Street SE. Salmon Arm 250.515.3338 Fawn

Transportation

BC Bus Pass Program

Affordable transportation on all BC transit systems (except HandyDART) for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities. See web site for eligibility. cost, and contact options continued... www2.gov.bc.ca Search: Bus Pass Program 1.866.866.0800 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm

Disability Parking Permits SPARC BC Parking permits for those with disabilities Apply/renew online www.sparc.bc.ca

1.888.718.7794 Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm

Ebus

Daily passenger service between Kamloops, Kelowna, Vancouver, Vernon, Salmon Arm. Seat belts, Free WiFi, Wheel chair accessible. Priority seating for seniors and disabled persons. Book online or call www.myebus.ca 1.877.769.3287

North Okanagan & Vernon Regional Transit Systems

Visit website for schedules, maps, fares www.bctransit.com/vernon/home

250.545.7221

HandyDART
 Service hours M-F 8-4:30, Sat 10-5
 Office hours M-F 8:30am-4:30pm
 250.549.1366

Revelstoke Transit System

Visit website for schedules, maps, fares www.bctransit.com/revelstoke/home 250.837.3888

 HandyDART Call to travel on Mon, Thurs, Friday 8:30-11:30am, 1:30-4:30pm

Shuswap Regional Transit System

Visit website for schedules, maps, fares www.bctransit.com/shuswap/home

250.832.0191

 HandyDART Service hours Mon-Fri 8am-4pm Office hours M-F 8:30-3:30, Closed 12-1 250.832.0191

Travel Assistance Program

Assists with travel costs when medical care is not available locally. TAP forms are only available from your family physician at the time the referral is made. See web site for eligibility

www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/ accessing-health-care/tap-bc 1.800.661.2668 Automated service

VIA Rail

Special 60+ rates,10% with your CAA card www.viarail.ca

1.888.842.7245 1.800.268.9503 TTY

Volunteer Drivers

• Armstrong Volunteer Driver Program
Serving citizens of Armstrong &
Spallumcheen only. Transportation
for medical & dental appointments
in Armstrong, Enderby, Kamloops,
Kelowna, Salmon Arm, Vernon.
Sponsored by the Armstrong Seniors
Activity Centre. Leave message: voice
mail will be checked

250.546.0999 10am-Noon Mon-Friday

2020-21

OLD AGE SECURITY & CANADA PENSION CHEQUE DATES

- Sep. 28, 2020
- Dec. 22, 2020
- Mar 29, 2021
- Jun 28, 2021
- Oct. 28, 2020
- Jan. 27, 2021
- Apr 28, 2021
- Jul 28, 2021
- Nov. 26, 2020
- Feb. 24, 2021
- May 27, 2021
- Aug 27, 2021

INFORMATION ON PAYMENTS

Old Age Security & Canada Pension Plan payments are automatically deposited in Canada on the above dates.

If you have not requested payment by automatic deposit, your payment will arrive at your home address by mail during the last three business days of each month.

Kelowna Cancer Clinic-Freemasons

Transportation from Kelowna airport, pick ups in Enderby, Vernon, Armstrong, Lake Country. Monday to Friday 24 hour notice required https://freemasonrv.bcv.ca/textfiles/ history.html

1.800.299.0188 Freemasons

 LCHPS Volunteer Driving & Visiting Lake Country Health Planning Society Drive clients to medical appts. & shopping in Lake Country, Kelowna, Vernon. Ride vouchers available for purchase. Call for intake www.lchps.com

778.215.5247

Shriners Care For Kids

Gizeh Shriners of BC/Yukon For BC children requiring specialized procedures, accommodation, transportation, associated medical treatment. See web site for details www.bcshriners.com

1.800.661.KIDS Mon-Fri 9:30am-2pm

Web Resources

BC Transplant

We will save lives and offer hope through organ transplant and research donation. Online registration. Kidney & Liver programs. Register your decision - one organ donor can save up to eight lives www.transplant.bc.ca

1.800.663.6189 for more information

bc211

Specializes in providing information and referral regarding community, gov't. & social services in BC. Online chat -8am-11pm. Mon-Sun. Info on addiction services, problem gambling, VictimLink BC, Emergency & Crisis, Counselling, Health Care. Mental Health. more... www.bc211.ca **604.875.0885** TTY

Canadian Institute of Stress

Science of Stress, Change and Productive Wellbeing.

http://stresscanada.org

Graceful Aging

Leading video network for boomers and older adults. Discover great ways to a vibrant senior life and gain important caregiver advice on elder care. Stay informed on assisted living. Videos on Caregiving, Driving & Personal Safety, more www.gracefulaging.com

Older Driver Safety

Safe driving strategies, community mobility and more to enhance the capacity of older adults to maintain their fitness to drive, and ability to drive safely for as long as possible. Warning signs of unsafe driving; transition of an older driver to driving retirement www.olderdriversafety.ca

Seniors BC

A web site for all older adults in the province to find resources for planning and living a healthy and active life as they age. Senior's families and caregivers will find great information here also. www.seniorsbc.ca

Seniors Canada

Stay Active, Engaged, Informed. Find info for seniors, their families, their caregivers & supporting service organizations on federal. provincial, and some municipal government benefits and services.

www.seniors.gc.ca







Municipal, Regional

Armstrong, City of

www.cityofarmstrong.bc.ca

- City Hall, 3570 Bridge Street
 250.546.3023 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
- Armstrong Spallumcheen Museum & Art Gallery http://ArmstrongSpallMuseumArt.com 3415 Pleasant Valley Road 250.546.8318
- Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce www.aschamber.com
 3550 Bridge Street 250.546.8155
 See our Barn Quilt Trail article on pg. 69
- Armstrong-Spallumcheen Parks & Rec. www.icesports.com/armstrong/

3351 Park Drive

250.546.9456

 Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Dept. www.asfd.ca
 250.546.6708 Non-emergency

Chase, Village of

A Shuswap Experience http://chasebc.ca

- Village Office, 826 Okanagan Avenue 250.679.3238 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm
- Chase & District Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Information Centre https://chasechamber.com

400 Shuswap Avenue

250.679.8432

Cherryville (unincorporated)

In the foothills of the Monashee Mountains For attractions, community services, business directory, events & more, go to... www.cherryville.net

Enderby, City of

Where the Shuswap meets the Okanagan www.cityofenderby.com

- City Hall, 619 Cliff Avenue
 250.838.7230 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
- Enderby & District Chamber of Commerce

https://www.enderbychamber.com

700 Railway Street

250.838.6727

1.877.213.6509

- Enderby & District Volunteer Fire Dept 1500 Evergreen Street
- Enderby & District Museum & Archives www.enderbymuseum.ca
 901 George Street (City Hall complex)
 250.838.7170

Falkland, Town of

Home to one of Canada's largest flags (Gyp Mountain) and one of the oldest rodeos in Canada

http://hp.bccna.bc.ca/Community/Falkland/

Falkland Museum & Heritage Park
 Open daily mid-June to mid-September
 https://falklandmuseum.webs.com
 5657 Highway 97
 250.379.2535

Lumby, Village of

www.lumby.ca

1775 Glencaird Street 250.547.2171 Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm

• Lumby & District Chamber of Commerce www.monasheetourism.com

1882 Vernon Street

250.547.2300

• Lumby & District Volunteer Fire Dept. www.lumbyfire.ca

1769 Shuswap Avenue 250.547.9516 Non-emergency

- White Valley Parks, Recreation, Culture Pat Duke Arena, Lumby Curling Club Oval Park, Royals Park
- White Valley Community Centre 2250 Shields Avenue, Lumby 250.547.6404

Revelstoke, City of

www.revelstoke.ca

- City Hall, 216 Mackenzie Avenue **250.837.2161** Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
- Revelstoke Business & Visitor Info Centre 301 Victoria Road N. 1.800.487.1493

Salmon Arm, City of

www.salmonarm.ca

- City Hall, 500 2nd Avenue NE **250.803.4000** Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm
- Fire Department Administration 141 Ross Street NE 250.803.4060
- SASCU Recreation Centre www.salmonarmrecreation.ca

2550 10 Avenue NE

250.832.4044

Shaw Centre

2 NHL ice surfaces, elevated walkway, meeting rooms, restaurant, exhibition space 2600 10 Avenue NE 250.832.4044

 Salmon Arm Chamber of Commerce www.sachamber.bc.ca

101-20 Hudson Avenue NE 250.832.6247

Sorrento (unincorporated)

The Heart of the Shuswap. See web site for attractions, tours, events, activities www.sorrento-shuswap.ca

Vernon, City of

www.vernon.ca

- · City Hall, 3400 30 Street 250.545.1361 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
- Tourism Vernon www.tourismvernon.com

250.542.1415

1.800.665.0795

- Downtown Vernon Association www.downtownvernon.com **101-3334 30 Avenue** (Sun Valley Mall) 250.542.5851
- Vernon Fire Rescue Services 3401 30 Street

250.542.5361 Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

- Greater Vernon Chamber of Commerce www.vernonchamber.ca 204-3002 32 Avenue 250.545.0771
- Greater Vernon Recreation Services www.vernon.ca/parks-recreation
- Recreation Centre 3310 37 Avenue, Vernon 250.545.6035
- Kal Tire Place 3445 43 Avenue

250.550.3257

Coldstream, District of

www.coldstream.ca

 Municipal Hall 9901 Kalamalka Road, Coldstream **250.545.5304** Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm

Columbia Shuswap Regional District

Building inspection, Agricultural Land Reserve, Zoning & Land Use Bylaws, Environmental Services, Solid Waste & Recycling, Parks & Recreation, Emergency Management, Utilities - see web site for all services and details www.csrd.bc.ca

555 Harbourfront Dr. NE, Salmon Arm 250.832.8194 Mon-Fri 9am-4pm 1.888.248.2773

Lake Country, District of

Oyama, Winfield, Carr's Landing, Okanagan Centre www.lakecountry.bc.ca

10150 Bottom Wood Lake Road **250.766.5650** Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm

- Sports & Recreation **250.766.5650** Activity Guide
- Winfield Memorial Hall www.winfieldmemorialhall.com 10130 Bottom Wood Lake Road 250.766.4131
- Winfield Arena/Recreation Centre 9830 Bottom Wood Lake Road 250.766.3030
- Creekside Theatre www.creeksidetheatre.com 10241 Bottom Wood Lake Road 250.766.5669 250.766.9309 Box Office www.kelownatickets.com/creekside

North Okanagan, Regional District of

Building, fire inspection services, regional parks, ambulance service-jaws of life, animal control, transit services, fire protection, invasive plants/pest control, solid waste disposal/recycling, water supply, land use planning - visit web site for all programs/services and details www.rdno.ca

9848 Aberdeen Road, Coldstream 250.550.3700 Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm

Sicamous, District of

Houseboat Capital of Canada www.sicamous.ca www.sicamous.ca/live-here/recreation/parks

446 Main Street, Sicamous 250.836.2477 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm

- Sicamous Chamber of Commerce www.sicamouschamber.bc.ca
- 446 Main Street 250.836.0002
- Sicamous Visitors Centre www.visitsicamous.ca
 446 Main Street
 250.836.3313

Spallumcheen, Township of

Recreation, Recycling & Garbage Collection, Building Inspection, Animal Control - see web for all services, details www.spallumcheentwp.bc.ca

4144 Spallumcheen Way 250.546.3013 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm

1.866.546.3013

First Nations

Adams Lake Indian Band
www.adamslakeband.org
6453 Hillcrest Road, Chase
250.679.8841 M-F 8am-noon, 1-4:30pm
1.877.679.8841

Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band

Known as Skwlax to the Little Shuswap www.lslib.com
http://quaaoutlodge.com
1886 Little Shuswap Lake Road
Chase, BC 250.679.3203

Neskonlith Indian Band

Member of the Secwepemc Nation www.Facebook.com/NeskonlithIndianBand 743 Chief Neskonlith Drive, Chase, BC 250.679.3295

Okanagan Indian Band

Ensuring the future through cultural, social and economic development www.okib.ca

12420 Westside Road, Vernon 250.542.4328 1.866.542.4328

Splatsin Indian Band

Respect your elders because one day you will be one www.splatsin.ca 5775 Old Vernon Road, Enderby 250.838.6496

Okanagan Nation Alliance

Alliance of eight Okanagan bands Grand Chief Stewart Phillip www.syilx.org

101-3535 Old Okan. Hwy., Westbank 250.707.0095 1.866.662.9609

Provincial

Address Change

If you are moving within BC, you can use this electronic service to update your personal and/or business records with provincial & local gov't. organizations https://www.addresschange.gov.bc.ca
1.800.663.7867 Service BC

BC Air Quality

Air quality advisories & current data, Air Quality Health & Ventilation Indexes, more www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/air

1.887.952.7277 RAPP 24/7 Hotline - report polluters, poachers

Forest Fire Reporting

Nearly one-third of all BC wildfires are reported by the public resulting in immeasurable savings: property, forests www.facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo
1.800.663.5555 Report a wildfire
*5555 toll free on most cell networks

Climate Change

Climate change is being felt across BC. Timely action is critical to protect our communities, health and the environment. Learn how CleanBC puts BC on a path to a cleaner, better future https://www2.gov.bc.ca/ Search for Climate Change 1.800.663.7867 Service BC

MSP Premium Elimination

MSP premiums were eliminated Jan. 2020 MSP has been replaced by a new 1.95% Employer Health Tax 1.800.663.7100

Members of Legislative Assembly

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- Eric Foster **MLA Vernon-Monashee** eric.foster.mla@leg.bc.ca www.ericfostermla.bc.ca 3209 31 Avenue, Vernon V1T 2H2 250.503.3600
- Doug Clovechok MLA Columbia River-Revelstoke doug.clovechok.mla@leg.bc.ca www.dougclovechokmla.ca 107 First Street East Revelstoke V0E 2S0 250.805.0323 1.844.432.2300

Ombudsperson, The Office of the

BC's Independent Voice of Fairness Receives enquiries & complaints about the practices & services of public agencies within its jurisdiction www.bcombudsperson.ca **1.800.567.3247** Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm

Service BC

Your source for frontline government services and information. Check web for available services at each location www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca

- **1.800.663.7867** Mon-Fri 7:30am-5pm 1.800.661.8773 TTY
- 850A 16 Street NE, Salmon Arm **250.832.1611** Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm
- 3201 30 Street, Vernon **250.549.5511** Mon-Fri 9am-430pm
- Vital Statistics Agency

Birth Registration/Certificate, Adoption, Death, Marriage license, Legal changes of Name, wills, registry information. Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events 305-478 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna 250.861.7500 Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm 1.888.876.1633

Federal

BC Climate Action Tax Credit

Tax-free quarterly payment that helps low income individuals and families with the carbon taxes they pay www.cra-arc.gc.ca/bnfts/rltd prgrms/bc-eng.html



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Canada Border Services Agency

General border services information; for in-depth information, speak to an officer 8 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday www.cbsa.gc.ca check current wait times

1.800.461.9999

1.866.335.3237 TTY

Canadian Heritage

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1.866.225.0709

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1.866.787.6221 TTY

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