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THE SCOOPS

Summer is in full swing at Access Resources and we are delighted to fill our days with sunshine and fun. By far, Summer is the best season at Access Resources.

WELCOMES:

Please join us in welcoming Keaghan Forster, Kevin Barker and Charmaine Freeman in Community Support.

Welcome to new Home Share Providers: **Brianna Doylend** and **Faye Shaw**.

REMINDERS:

• Dress for the weather! With the hot weather upon us, be sure to have sunscreen and a hat for protection from the sun, extra sunscreen to re-apply, a labeled water bottle and comfy shoes as well. Don't forget your swim gear for the beach or pool days too. We have space to store extra clothes/supplies here at the office. Please ensure it's in a labelled container

or bag to ensure it doesn't get misplaced.

- Feeling III? Just a reminder that if you're showing any signs of illness (fever, cough, runny nose, vomiting, upset stomach, diarrhea etc.) to please stay home to get better and not spread germs. If you arrive ill or become ill during your supports and services, we will call your family or Home Share Provider to come pick you up so you can rest at home.
- Birthdays! We know how special and important Birthdays are at Access Resources. We celebrate all the Birthdays of individuals in each month with a cake from Costco. We enjoyed Cake and sang Happy Birthday on June 1st (for May) and again June 23rd (for June).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

"Summertime is the best of what might be"

-Charles BowdenHere are some important upcoming dates:

- Monday August 7th Civic Holiday - Access is closed
- Tuesday August 8th PRC Fall Program Guide available online
- Friday August 18th PRC Fall Program Registration @ 10:a.m.
- Thursday August 31st End of Summer BBQ @ Gyro - See page 4 for more details
- Monday September 4th -Labor Day - Access is closed

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- Monday October 2nd Access is closed in lieu of Ntnl' Day of Truth & Reconciliation (Sept. 30th)
- Monday October 9th -Thanksgiving -Access is closed
- Tuesday October 31st - Halloween
- Sunday November
 5th Daylight Savings Time ends,

clocks go back one (1) hour.

Monday November 13th - Access is closed in lieu of Remembrance Day (Nov. 11th)



HOME SHARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION BBQ

Access Resources is pleased to host our first annual Home Share Providers

<u>Appreciation BBQ.</u> This event is open to all Home Share Providers and the Individuals in their home. Come and enjoy a delicious dinner on us, accompanied by some fabulous live music, outdoor games and camaraderie. Let us treat you to a relaxing evening!

DATE: Friday August 11th, 2023

TIME: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: 981 Borden Ave

BRING: Yourself, Your Lawnchair and Your Smile:)

RSVP: To your Home Share Coordinator via phone or email by August 4th, 2023



SUMMER SO FAR.....

Access Resources has had an amazing start to the summer and we're so happy to offer a wide variety of exciting and fun activities and programs, just look at what we've done so far!

Horseback Riding at **Broken Rail Ranch** on **June 2nd** was a new activity for our Agency. The crew had opportunities to ride and interact with horses and other animals while touring the farm. Thank you to **Alia Nicholson** for facilitating this activity.

Our annual **Magic Show** with **Leif David** on **June 16th** was captivating and interactive. He never disappoints his audience members and we look forward to having him return again.

The **Kick off to Summer BBQ on June 23rd** @ Gyro Beach was a huge success. There were close to 60 people enjoying the Sunshine, Hot Dogs, Chips, Birthday Cake and Drinks. There was live music and singing, lawn games and beach activities. It was a great afternoon for everyone and a big Thank You to **Mike & Trish** in the **TSN Program** for organizing, facilitating and executing the afternoon.

The **Reptile Show on June 30th** was enjoyed by many. **The Little Reptile Queen** Emily was great at including all the guests and ensuring everyone had a chance to interact with the creatures. Thank you to **Sarah Stewart** for organizing and facilitating this activity.

The Annual Houseboat Cruise on July 14th was another huge success and we want to thank Mike @ Kelowna Cruises for their hospitality for another year. We had 82 guests on board and everyone had a blast with dancing and soaking up the sunshine. A big thank you to all of the staff who assisted with transportation, loading/unloading food & drinks, assisting guests on and off board and ensuring everyone had a great time. We're hoping to book again for next year, so stay tuned for updates and more information.

All of these great activities and programs would not be possible without the support and participation of our great staff. We're so proud of the **TEAM** at Access Resources.



END OF SUMMER BBQ @ GYRO

Because the **Kick off to Summer BBQ** was such a tremendous success and everyone raved about how much fun they had, **Mike and Tricia** will host an **End of Summer BBQ** to cap off the summer.

Date: Thursday August 31st. 2023

<u>Time:</u> 12:00- 4:00 p.m.. *Lunch will be served between 12:00-1:00 with music, lawn games and beach activities to follow for the remainder of the afternoon.*

Where: Gyro Beach

<u>Cost:</u> \$5.00/person (includes hot dog, drink and chips) **PLEASE PRE-REGISTER** to ensure enough supplies for everyone

Sign Up: With Mike or Tricia

Feel free to bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on at the beach



ACCESS ADVENTURERS - TRAVEL CLUB

"On The PLACES

You'll Go"

* Dr.

Seuss*

The **Access Adventurers** are starting to plan their next trip and they're in the very initial stages of doing so.

The general consensus states "**DISNEYLAND**" is where it's at, so Sonja and Jordan are starting to gather quotes and information on this trip.

We are tentatively booking for **September 2024** with a ballpark cost of **\$4000.00 per traveler**. This cost will include:

- ♦ Airfare
- ♦ Ground Transportation
- ♦ Accommodations
- ♦ Park Entrance Fees
- Meals
- ♦ Staff Support
- ♦ 5 full days of non-stop F*U*N!

If this interests you, we encourage you to start saving your money and let Sonja or Jordan know you'd like to come along.

A deposit of \$500.00 will be required by fall 2023 (date to be determined) with a payment schedule to follow. We know that not everyone has the cash on hand so we will divide the payments into increments to make it more feasible for all the travelers.



"SAY CHEESE!"



















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