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THE SCOOPS

We've had a **FANTASTIC** Summer and we're so proud of our staff for always coming up with creative and fun activities. Keep reading, so we can fill you in on all the SCOOPS from Access Resources

WELCOMES:

Please join us in welcoming **Faith Collins** in Community Support and **JayR Shepel** in Home Share.

REMINDERS:

- The weather is beginning to change, so just a reminder to please dress accordingly. Remember that the mornings may be cooler but the afternoons will warm up so dress in layers when you can.
- **Feeling Under the Weather?** We all know what happens when school starts back.....the dreaded cold and flu bug starts making its rounds. We ask all service recipients to please stay home when they are sick to reduce the spread of illness. If you are showing signs and

symptoms such as: fever, cough, runny nose, vomiting, upset stomach or diarrhea etc. please stay home. If you arrive to supports or programs displaying these symptoms, we will contact your family or Home Share Provider to come pick you up. We want everyone to be healthy and safe.

- **Lost & Found!** We're starting to see a few extra, unlabeled water bottles, hats, and lunch kits floating around the office. If you're missing something, please ask your direct support worker to take a look around for it with you. We want to reunite these items with their rightful owners.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

"I'm so glad I live
in a world where
there are
Octobers."

L.M.
Montgomery,
*Anne of Green
Gables*

Here are some important
upcoming dates:

- **Monday October 2nd** - Access is closed in lieu of the Day of Truth and Reconciliation (Sept. 30th)
- **Monday October 9th** - Thanksgiving - Access is closed
- **Tuesday October 31st** - Halloween
- **Sunday November 5th** - Daylight Savings Ends (clocks go back 1 hour)
- **Monday November 13th** - Access is closed in lieu of Remembrance Day (Nov. 11th)
- **Tuesday November 28th** - PRC Winter 2024 Guide available online
- **Friday December 8th** - PRC Winter 2024 Registration @ 10:00 a.m.
- **Thursday December 14th** - Annual Holiday Open House from 11:30-2:00 p.m.
- **Friday December 22nd** - Access is closed @ 1:00 pm. for Christmas closure



ANNUAL FEEDBACK SURVEY

It's that time of year again and we're preparing to send out our **Annual Feedback Survey's**. These Survey's are for the following Programs: **Community Support, TSN, Ladies Day, Men's Group** and **MAC Program**. The Survey dates will run between **October 2nd - 31st**. with the **PRIZE** Draw on **Friday November 10th**. (There will be 4 Gift Cards)

The Survey's will be offered electronically (sent via email) or in hard copy format. If you would prefer a hard copy, please let your direct support worker know or call the office and speak to Brianna.

We value your input and feedback and it's a great opportunity for us to see where we are excelling and where we can improve. We look forward to hearing from you!

DISNEYLAND UPDATE

We've had a great response to our Disneyland Trip. So far we have 10 confirmed travelers. We are tentatively planning for October 2024 but exact dates will be determined once final numbers have been counted.

For those of you who missed our last newsletter, here are the deets on this fantastic opportunity:

Cost: \$4,000.00-\$4,500.00 / person (to be determined once final numbers are counted)

What's Included:

- ⇒ A jam packed 5 nights and 6 days of FUN!
- ⇒ Airfare
- ⇒ Hotel Accommodations for 5 nights
- ⇒ Ground Transportation to and from the Hotel
- ⇒ Admission x 3 days at Disneyland
- ⇒ Admission x 1 day at Universal
- ⇒ 3 Meals/Day
- ⇒ Travel Insurance
- ⇒ Staff Support

A **\$500.00 Deposit** is required to hold your spot by **September 15th**. Please contact Sonja or Jordan for more information.

Be sure to check your **Passport** to ensure it's valid and will remain so until January 2025. If not, start the renewal process as soon as you can.



THIS & THAT

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Access Resources annual **Holiday closure** will be from **Monday December 25th , 2023 - Monday January 1st, 2024**, inclusive. Supports and Services will resume on **Tuesday January 2, 2024**.

PRC WINTER 2024 PROGRAM REGISTRATION

We know how popular the PRC Adaptive Programs are. Just a reminder that the Winter 2024 Guide will be available online by **Tuesday November 28th** and the online registration will be on **Friday December 8th @ 10:00 a.m.**

HOMESHARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION BBQ

The first annual Home Share Provider BBQ was a huge success and everyone had a fantastic time. Thank you to the entire Home Share Team; **Jordan, Mike, Tricia, Jeremy** and **Sara** for all your efforts. The food was all home-made and amazing and the entertainment was just as great! The Home Share Team looks forward to hosting this every year moving forward. A big **THANK YOU** to all of our dedicated **Home Share Providers**. We couldn't do what we do without you all!



ADVENTURES AT BIG WHITE



END OF SUMMER BBQ @ ACCESS



Home Share Provider BBQ

