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# Thank You

**Thank you to the following for their generous donation!**

***The Hadgraft family for making another significant donation to our society!***

**\$6,600.00**

♥ Randy Christian

**\$500.00**

♥ Knights of Columbus Father Delestre Council

**\$200.00**

♥ Okanagan Valley Association of the Deaf



**Kettle Valley Stone Company** for donating loads of rocks for our 123 Franklyn property to make it look beautiful!



Thank you to all those who attended the Home Share BBQ on June 10th. Great time and food was enjoyed by all. For those who missed it, we will see you next year!



Thank you to our **many volunteers** who contribute to Pathways and the individuals we serve!

We truly want to thank and acknowledge the many dedicated people who volunteer as a board member, activity group assistant, computer mentor, bike technician, community bridge builder and social recreation events assistant. During the past year, we have focused on teaming up many new volunteers with individuals who reside in supported housing accommodations. We recognized, during the past two years, that living with the world pandemic resulted in many people being excluded from community and were shut in, with very limited opportunity for social outlets. Thanks to volunteer commitments, we have now connected many individuals with opportunities to enjoy new friendships and explore community safely in one on one scheduled visits.

Pathways is always excited about introducing new volunteers to our many services areas. If you want to make a positive difference and are available to volunteer please email: [Bonnie\\_em@pathwayskelowna.ca](mailto:Bonnie_em@pathwayskelowna.ca)



# 2022 Closure Dates , Fuller Update

## PATHWAYS ABILITIES SOCIETY IS HIRING!



We are looking to fill a variety of positions from casual to

full-time. We offer great benefits for our permanent employees and a flexible schedule for our casual staff.

If you are interested in applying or have any questions, please e-mail [hr@pathwayskelowna.ca](mailto:hr@pathwayskelowna.ca).

## CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY!

Construction continues to be underway for our new affordable 68 unit apartment complex!

The rental building will provide homes for people with limited income and market rental units for families, singles, seniors and people living with diverse-abilities.

The six-storey wood frame building, in the heart of downtown, will feature above-ground parking and a mix of unit types from studios to two-bedrooms.

The building meets universal design standards. There will be eight units designated to those with diverse-abilities.

The building is called Hadgraft Wilson Place in recognition of two families who are advocates for those with diverse-abilities and who have provided considerable support to Pathways.



## 2022 Closure Dates

Monday, August 1, 2022  
BC Day

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**Monday, August 22, 2022**  
**to Friday, September 2, 2022**

**Summer Closure**  
**Re-opening Tuesday,**  
**September 6, 2022**  
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Monday, September 5, 2022  
Labour Day

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Friday, September 30, 2022  
National Day for Truth and  
Reconciliation

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Monday, October 10, 2022  
Thanksgiving Day

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Friday, November 11, 2022  
Remembrance Day

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Monday, December 26, 2022 to  
Friday, December 30, 2022  
Christmas Closure Re-opening  
Monday, January 2, 2023

**The 69th  
Pathways Abilities  
Society Annual  
General Meeting  
will be held  
September 12,  
2022 at 4:00 pm  
at 123 Franklyn  
Road. Please  
consider  
attending!**

## FRIENDLY REMINDER



Pathways will be closed  
**Monday, August 22, 2022**  
**to Friday, September 2, 2022**

**Re-opening Tuesday,**  
**September 6, 2022**  
Following Labour Day

# Self - Advocate Groups



## **OKANAGAN SELF-ADVOCATE GROUP**

**Adults (over age 19) with Autism (ASD)  
or Divers-abilities (Disabilities) in B.C. Invited**

**Free**

**ZOOM Programs in 2022  
All Programs on Saturdays from 1 PM – 2:30 PM.**

**June 25 - Job Employment Help**

Jacob May, Employer and Community Coordinator, Kelowna WorkBC Centre

**September 24—Raise Your Energy with Breath and Relaxation**

Danielle Dufour, Life Force Experiential Activities

**October 29—Anxiety: A Common Barrier to Social Inclusion**

Becky Molly, Clinical Director, Pacific Coast Community Resources Inc.

**November 26 - Clearing the Clutter**

Corey Anderson, Owner and Manager of Organize My Space Kelowna

**To Register for ZOOM Presentations Contact:**

Linda Youmans, Okanagan Self-Advocate Group Advisor

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## *Out and About...*

### **Activity Services Dock Fishing**



Rose and Brett enjoying a day of fishing.

### **Social Recreation night at the Cirque Du Soleil**



For more information on Social  
Recreation activities in the  
community, email Martin at  
[socialrec@pathwayskelowna.ca](mailto:socialrec@pathwayskelowna.ca)  
or call 250-763-4837 Ext. 226



# Around Pathways & Pandemic Updates

## Around Pathways...

... at the Pride Parade



Thank you Whitney for organizing.

... in person In-Service



Staff created spaghetti towers and learned some line dance moves.



## Pandemic Update

We hope you are continuing to stay healthy and safe! Pathways has replaced the COVID 19 in the Service Site policy and procedure with a [Pandemic Policy and Procedure](#).

Please go to our website and **ensure** you read and review our new policy and procedure. If you cannot access the internet, please contact a supervisor, and they will print and mail you a copy.

We continue to provide services while ensuring we are providing the safest service environment possible. **Pathways continues to adhere to all provincial and federal regulations AND recommendations.**

If you are sick and/or have the symptoms of a cold, flu, or a communicable disease, you are required to stay at home and keep a safe distance from others until those symptoms have completely disappeared. If you are medically fragile, have a compromised (bad) immune system or have respiratory disorders or problems with your lungs, please continue practising safety precautions.

\* Wearing a mask is optional. \* Social distancing is encouraged.

\*Contact sanitization is practiced.

**Arlene Bouchard December 19, 1939—October 22, 2021**

**Submitted by Candi Daw**

Arlene loved to come to Pathways. She enjoyed all the friendships she developed over the years. Arlene was the life of the party. Her favourite activities centred around socializing, dancing, and music. She was happiest when she was surrounded by people she could talk with.

The family was the centre of Arlene's life. She was very close to her family. She was always in touch with her family through phone calls, family gatherings, and lunches with her nephew Clay. Arlene was very proud of her nephew Troy who was an ambulance driver. She dressed as a driver every Halloween.

Arlene was very artistic; her specialty was drawing roses. They were so colorful and unique. Arlene loved to travel. Disneyland was her favourite vacation destination, and Mickey Mouse was her favourite character. She possessed a large collection of Mickey Mouse memorabilia.

Arlene was a huge Elvis fan. Her biggest highlight was meeting an Elvis impersonator. Arlene also had a large collection of Elvis memorabilia. She enjoyed watching movies with Elvis as the star.

Arlene had a great sense of humour, she loved April's fool's day, and playing jokes gave her great pleasure.

Arlene was never one to be still, always on the go. When she visited her mom at Rose Cottage, her mom was always chasing after her, as Arlene would be visiting the other residents. Everyone loved Arlene and was very sad when they could not see her anymore.

Arlene could play the piano. One of her favourite activities was playing Christmas Carols on the piano with her family singing along.



**Thelma Johnson April 13, 1968—January 28, 2022**

**Submitted by Glenda Mallach**



Thelma truly enjoyed life, being involved and had a smile that lit up a room and a smile for everyone she met; she loved meeting new people and trying new things. She had a great sense of humour and loved playing jokes on her friends.

Thelma had the greatest contagious giggle that made everyone else want to giggle along with her.

Thelma played the chimes with the busking group. They played at different community events and senior homes.

Thelma loved playing Yahtzee. She was known as the Yahtzee Queen when she played 7 Yahtzee games in a row.

Thelma liked all her activities at Pathways, especially her volunteer job at the Women's Haven, where she put together and packaged items to be sent to third-world countries. Another one of her favourite things was attending Camp Owaissi, where she could do everything she loved. She loved singing, music, dancing, campfires, and being with the people she loved.

Thelma never seemed to have a bad day, so happy to participate in her activities and share her joy with everyone around her. Thelma was everyone's friend and will be missed by everyone.

# Contact Information

## Phone Directory!



To reach any of our service areas, except the homes, call **250-763-4837**.  
The message tree will give you options of what area and who to speak to;  
however the extensions are listed below.



Pathways Service Area	Extension	Email
Activity Service	1	See Activity Supervisors
West Kelowna Activity Service	2	aswestkelowna@pathwayskelowna.ca
Bikeways	3	bikeways@pathwayskelowna.ca
Staff Directory	5	NA
<b>Staff Extensions</b>		
Activity Supervisor: Alaina	100	fs@pathwayskelowna.ca
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## Community Resources

### Camp Owaissi 2022

is August 29-Sept. 2nd

Cost will be

**approximately \$325.**

*For more information and  
to pre-register email  
[travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca](mailto:travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca)*



### GUIDE TO THE DTC & RDSP

For Newcomers With Disabilities

The Disability Tax Credit (DTC) &  
Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP)

<https://disabilityalliancebc.org/dtc-and-rdsp-guide-for-newcomers/>

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We will provide you with our electronic version.

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