



WELCOME BACK AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

January 2025

It's been a busy couple of weeks for everyone as we all get back in the groove but a few reminders and updates for everyone.

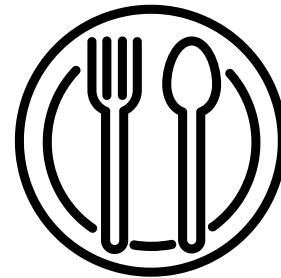
PROGRAM UPDATES:

Itineraries for activities in each room are being created and sent out close to the end of each month with an outline/overview of plans for the month. Please keep in mind that these are subject to change based on weather, vehicle availability and many other variables. If you did not receive one for this month please email reception@claytree.ca

Interest groups have started up again on Mondays and Wednesdays (January - April)

We spent time with each participant and went over their first, second and third choice for which group they would like to participate in. The groups are decided based on choice and interest (was there enough?). Here is the list of groups. Please check in with your participant about which groups they have chosen. Here is the list:

- Musical Theatre
- Health and Fitness
- Around the World Cuisine
- Crafting
- Sports Explorations
- Literacy
- Wrestling

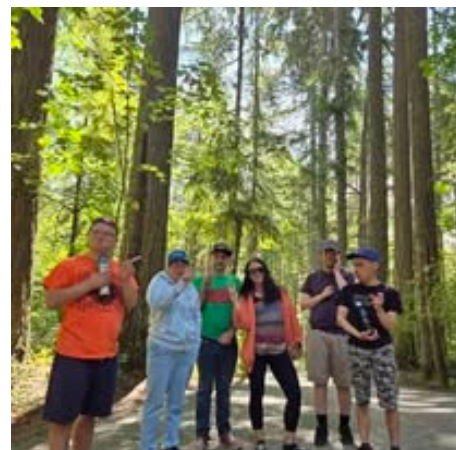


****HOT LUNCH has been moved to Thursdays**

Grab and go kits, need to be returned with the paperwork updated. It is important that we have the correct information (contact, emergency, etc). Once it is all updated we will create room-specific emails groups that support information getting to you more consistently (not lost in a backpack 😊). Don't worry, notices will still go home as well because the notices are also intended for participants to see.



Staff have moved around a bit. Before the break we sent notices home with introductions to the staff in some rooms. We will continue doing this with others highlighting/recognizing other staff throughout the year.



HOLD THE DATE



CLAY TREE SOCIETY
PRESENTS
Art from the Heart

Featuring the art work of Clay Tree Participants & Staff
JOIN US FOR A LIVE ART AUCTION FUNDRAISER
Friday, February 21, 2025
at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 256
1630 Wellington Road, Nanaimo
Doors open at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00, Auction at 6:30
Spaghetti Dinner (option of Meatballs,
Vegetarian or Gluten Free) Salad & Ice Cream Bar
Entry \$25.00 each person
Please call 250-753-5322 for reservations
& to receive payment instruction.
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ANNOUNCEMENT

And Finally...I would like to introduce you to the person who will be stepping in for Am in February when she takes her maternity leave. Many of you already know her, as she has spent the last 18 months covering for Kat, who was on a maternity leave (Welcome back Kat!!) and is now stepping into the program manager position.

Here is a bit about Jennifer Wilson:

Hi everyone! I am Jen Wilson and I love working at Clay Tree!

I started in 2021 as a CSW, and I just finished covering maternity leave for Kat, who is returning to her post as Quality Assurance and Training Manager. In the next few months I will transition to Interim Program Manager to cover for Am while she is away having a baby. My drive is all about the well-being and safety of the participants. It brings me joy to help them enrich their lives and I appreciate all that they teach me every day. I look forward to many more years here at Clay Tree.

