

Spring at Wayside

SPRING FORWARD

Spring brings promise, revitalization, new ideas and inspiration.

Wayside House is fully open! The flowers are blooming and birds are singing. We are ready to receive guests from all across Canada and the USA, who wish to be cared for physically or be supported metaphysically in their spiritual journey. We are pleased to report that vaccinations and testing are no longer required for guests or visitors. So please come to see us soon, in the beautiful city of Victoria. We won't disappoint!



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"Whose Truth the walls enfold. Christ rules the heart in service , in quiet God's Words retold. There is beauty, peace and meekness, In the lives of His servants there;"

TESTIMONY OF GRATITUDE

We were blessed beyond measure when our mother Isabel, age 94, needed more round-the-clock support and moved to Wayside House last September. Our mother's journey and recent passing couldn't have been more peaceful, for which we will always be grateful! The staff at Wayside House cared for her as if she were their mother. They were personal and professional, so very respectful, responsive to her needs, and attentive to detail. For instance, when they noticed how much our mother loved hummingbirds, they fastened a hummingbird feeder to her window so that daily she could witness the coming and goings of these delightful visitors. Meals were home cooked and delicious, tailored to her needs, and beautifully presented. The doors were always open to us, her daughters, to visit daily, even with our dogs. We would like others to know what a jewel Wayside House is and what a tremendous gift the entire staff has given us in their dedicated care and understanding of our mother: they saw her beauty, grace, her wholeness, and held her in love.

*With gratitude,
Franka & Isabel Cordua-von Specht*

*"There is comfort and
sweet assurance;
For each turns to God
for his share.
Oh! Let us rejoice that
goodness,
Will turn us to God
from self."*

FROM THE NURSING FLOOR

We are always so fortunate to have such an active, healing practice at Wayside House.

In April, our nursing staff has been hard at work participating in two in-service workshops with Christian Science Practitioner, Kate Gibson-Oswald, CS, and Patty Neurnberg, Le Verger trainer. This supplemental training has been essential for our team as we strive to continuously learn best practices and care for the variety of needs a Christian Science Nurse must meet.

Our gratitude overflows for the support staff who help us maintain a peaceful, healing atmosphere here at Wayside House. We have witnessed many healings this season, including aggressive physical and mental suggestions. We daily see evidence of God's continuous care for our staff, who have been protected and kept afloat during tight scheduling and a busy spiritual renewal wing!

RESIDENT ACTIVITIES

A recently established highlight for those staying at Wayside is our Book Group. We have been reading "We Knew Mary Baker Eddy Volume II". This activity has been an absolute blessing for all who participate. Staff members, care patients, and spiritual renewal guests alike, come together to read section by section, followed by a brief discussion. It has been the perfect spark of inspiration for our weekday afternoons.

STAFF UPDATES

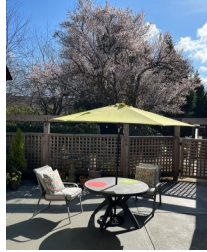


A big bouquet of thanks, goes to our friends Linda Wilfur and Margit Waterman. Both of these generous ladies came out of retirement to help us through some staffing challenges during the past year. Thank you! We wish you both well as you return to your retirement.

It is our pleasure to introduce to you our newest member of staff, Daniela Palma. She will be serving as a General Facility Aide. Daniela comes to us from Mexico with her lovely daughter Camila. Both are living at Wayside House. WELCOME!



SUMMER PLANS AT WAYSIDE



New this summer, Tea-time at Wayside

This summer Wayside House we will be offering a series of afternoon tea parties! Our staff has been having a great time brainstorming and finding the perfect pairings of April's yummy nibbles and pastries to enjoy on our patio (with it's lovely view of the garden).

Dates will be announced soon, so make sure to follow us on Facebook to see updates on times and dates as they approach.

We would love to have you join us!

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

With Victoria's sunny climate and proximity to so many amenities, Wayside House makes the perfect stop over, on your summer vacation. We have four lovely rooms ready to welcome you for a day, a weekend, or a week. Take time for yourself, enjoy delicious meals and be embraced in our healing atmosphere. Members receive 15% off their second night.

We are perfectly located in the historic Fairfield neighborhood, close to downtown and minutes to the ocean, by car, bus or on foot. Favorite attractions include Craigdarroch Castle, (5 min. drive), Butchart Gardens (30 min. drive), Abkhazi Gardens (2 min. walk) , the Royal BC Museum (10 min. drive).

*"Lives that are sordid
and weary,
Will find peace outside
the flesh.
Lives that are tired
and hopeless,
Or caught in error's
thick mesh."*

IN MEMORIAM

On April 21st, Wayside House held a commemoration of remembrance for our dear friend and office administrator Cecil Cranston. Cecil passed away suddenly last month after years of thoughtful, efficient service and loyal friendship to Wayside.

We are so grateful to our community, who have been prayerful, supportive, and patient with us during this time.



WHAT CAN WAYSIDE DO FOR YOU?

We warmly welcome those who are relying on prayer and working with a Christian Science Practitioner to come and let our Christian Science Nurses look after you while you are experiencing healing. We offer light to full Christian Science Nursing care.

Wayside House also provides Supported Care for those looking for a homey, healing atmosphere with light nursing care, for a longer term. If you want to come for a visit, to see how we might meet your long-term needs, we would be most happy to work with you. Contact Chris Weiland at: 250-598-4521, extension 4. We would love to hear from you.

Did you know we have a new Board Room that is available to rent? This lovely new room with a private exterior entrance can accommodate 8 people. It is equipped with a private washroom, dishes, and wifi. For rental rates, please inquire to:

250 598-4521 ext 4.



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HOW CAN YOU HELP US?

It's time for some spring cleaning! We are planning to participate in the Fairfield Gonzales Community Wide Garage Sale on May 13. If you have a few spare hours, come join the fun, we could really use some volunteer help from 8 am-2 pm, please contact Chris, at: 250-598-4521 ext. 4. Can't volunteer, just come out and see what treasures we have!

Membership

If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2023, please consider joining again. You can do this online, or by calling our office, 250-598-4521 ext 4.

Our Spring Wishlist

If you are able to help us purchase one of the following items, we would be most grateful. We accept cheques, credit cards, and PayPal, call Chris at the above number or go to: www.waysidehousevictoria.org and click on donations. Tax receipts provided.

- * New dishwasher—\$18,000 CAD
- * Updating irrigation system —\$6,400 CAD
- * Ceiling fan for the lounge—\$1,000 CAD
- * Paint parking lot lines—\$560 CAD

Our sincere gratitude goes out to the generous donors who helped us renovate much needed staff accommodation last year, and a huge thank you to all of our donors, **we can not do it with out you, thank you!**

*"Can find in this
Heaven-sent refuge,
A haven from ceaseless
strife;
Can find with their God
communing,
The faith for a
Christ-like life."*



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