

The Pond

Spring 2022

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Family Get Togethers

In March, we had a unique Family Get Together. With our Dragonflies and Minnows program running during spring break, we decided to give families something to keep them busy for Spring. We created a Spring Bingo activity, where families were able to have some fun completing the bingo card full of activities, and enter to win a prize. On the bingo card were nine activity options, and each family was given a package with a bingo card, instructions, a flower pot craft, a treat with a coupon for ice cream, a rainbow craft, and some activity books. Families were able to do the activities when it worked for them, and enjoy their spring. The family that won the draw was the Clarke Family!

Congratulations, and enjoy your spring package with movie passes.





In April we had a Bellydancing session with Keisha of Boundless Bellydancing. It was a great chance for us to try out something new and have some fun on a Sunday morning. Everyone donned a jingle skirt and learned some simple bellydancing moves. Then they linked the moves together and did a routine! Lots of fun.





Dragonflies and Minnows Spring 2022

Our Spring Dragonflies and Minnows took place over the last week of March. Our activities took us to Busy Beans, Hoodoo Adventures Climbing Wall, the Community Centre gymnasium and swimming pool, and Roll N Stones Bowling!

We had lots of fun getting together again. On Monday, the younger children were able to gather and play at Busy Beans, enjoy some snacks together and the caregivers were able to meet and chat. Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday brought our visits to the Community Centre Gymnasium and pool. In the gym we had free time to play on the swing, climb, ride the bikes, free play, and do crafts! Families could then go to the swimming pool if they wanted. On Friday, we had our fun bowling party at Roll N Stones Fun Centre. Kids were able to bowl, enjoy some pizza/chips/pop, and have some fun. Parents were able to meet and networks with each other. So much fun was had by all!

Thanks for everyone who was able to come out to our Spring Program!







Dragonflies and Minnows Summer planning

We are in the midst of planning our Summer program for you! Lots of fun in the works including Paddleboarding, Horseback riding, Kayaking, Family Picnic, Community centre gym and swim, Art in the Park, Locolanding and MORE!!! A tentative schedule has been sent out, and there will be a firm schedule sent out later in May. Registration will open in June.



Donor Spotlight

The Ramada Penticton Hotel and Suites is a long standing supporter of Dragonfly Pond Family Society. They are one of the wonderful hotels that provides an overnight stay for our Respitality program. They accommodate up to 6 of our families per season, and create a restful atmosphere for our families to rejuvenate at.



Thank You to the Ramada Penticton for all your years of support of what we do!!

Volunteer Opportunities & Events

Our Board of Directors

If you or anyone you know of is interested in joining our Board, please contact Tricia at <u>dragonfly@vip.net</u> for more details or to sign up. We are looking for board members that might be interested in the governance of Dragonfly Pond Society, as well as supporting our fundraising initiatives. We meet once a month for a board meeting, and correspond via email mostly.

Dragonflies and Minnows Spring and Summer

We will need volunteers to help with our Dragonflies and Minnow Spring and Summer Program. They will be needed to help at the Community Centre with the set-up, running and take down of the gymnasium time. We will also need Volunteers for the Summer programs. Volunteers can be any member of our community, including individuals that have aged out of Dragonfly Pond, but would like to come back and support our programs, with a caregiver as needed.

If you would like to volunteer with a program or fundraiser, please contact program coordinator Tricia for more details @ 250-490-3305 or by emailing dragonfly@vip.net

QuickLink: (each issue, this section will provide a link to a resource for our families!)

Curiko

https://www.curiko.ca/about/

Curiko is a platform, a community, a partnership, and a team. As a platform, Curiko creates and connects people to meaningful experiences. As a community, Curiko fosters two-way relationships. As a partnership, Curiko practices collaborative governance. As a team, Curiko creates space for experimentation and learning.

You can discover experiences such as hip hop classes, Shakespeare theatre, and more! Individuals can sign up and also participate in sharing. Learn something new, in an inclusive video format.

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