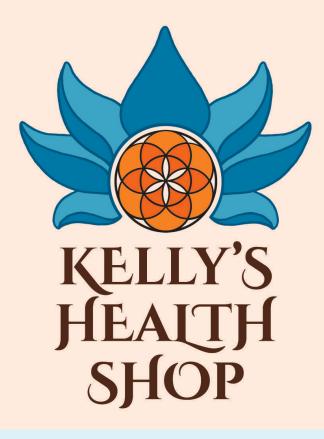
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# To thrive this winter, use your ZEST

# By Pieta Woolley, Editor

At just 40 years old, *qathet Living*'s new front-office whiz Angela Richards spent her summer doing stuff seniors like. Bingo at Assumption. Drinks at The Legion. Boat watching in Lund.

Her parents are in the process of moving here from Ontario, and she was playing tour-guide to their

new home. Part of being a thoughtful host is considering the tastes of those you are shepherding around. In this case, her parents, who are seniors, like to meet new people, try new things, and enjoy life. Who doesn't? Turns out, Ange had a blast with her bingo dabber.

So when a reader came into our office and said, "I don't know what there is for seniors to do in this town, and I don't even know how to find out. You guys should do something," Ange was on the job. On Page 7, you can see the result of her fine work: qL's first ever Seniors' Activity Guide.

At first glance, it's simple: darts here, dancing there. But it's really a hopeful call-out to everyone who has been stuck at home for two winters in a row avoiding COVID: come back! Life is good again!

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On the Cover: Wild rose petals collected for pelvic bowl steaming with qathet practitioners Amber Friedman and Lana Joy Parra. Photo by Lana Joy Parra.

In this issue of ZEST, I hope you find all kinds of inspiration to grab ahold of life again.

Isolation had a terrible impact on locals' mental health. But so does pain. Plantar Fascitis, an alltoo-common inflammation in the fascia of your feet, can stop people from exercising and socializing. On Page 4, several qathet-based experts weigh in on how to manage your feet-and get

back to your lovely life – for the long-term.

In the health listings, you'll find services you're familiar with (such as medical and dental clinics), and services that may be new to you. Fall is an ideal time to gently check in with yourself and find the resources you'll need to thrive through the winter. This might include pre-booking sessions with a counsellor, or a massage therapist. Or trying a new-to-you modality, such as Traditional Chinese Medi cine, speach-language therapy, or hypnotherapy.

The key is connecting with others – specialists, and just other humans on the journey to better health – as Emily Jeankins does in her evocative column on pelvic steaming on Page 22. I hope that as you pursue your own health goals this season, you experience the care and attention that seeps out of ever sentence in Emily's story.



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# It's no-fault Plantar Fascitis

Anyone can get this pain-in-the-foot inflammation. Most can get rid of it, too.

he average person takes 10,000 steps a day. Sometimes a change in activities or footwear will cause pain in their feet. Sometimes pain begins with no known reason. If that happens, Dr. David Mann of Powell River Sports Medicine Clinic (PRMSC) is here to help.

If you got out of bed one morning, stood up and felt like you're walking on a bed of nails, you may have plantar fasciitis.

Dr. Mann has been treating patients with plantar fasciitis for 30 years. He says the reason why the foot of someone with plantar fasciitis hurts first thing in the morning is because "we sleep in a shortened position and the fascia trying to heal. When you step on it you open it up again." The same thing happens if you sit for 45 minutes and then stand up - the tissue is always trying to heal itself.

"It's like a scab you pick off every morning. It's sore for 20 minutes and then it simmers down to a dull ache," he explained.

The plantar fascia is a thick tissue that covers the bones on the bottom of the foot. It extends from the heel to the toes and acts like a rubber band to create tension, which maintains the arch of the foot. When this tissue becomes swollen or inflamed, it is called plantar fasciitis. "It (the band) goes from the heel bone and spreads out in a weblike fashion to your five toes – the one on the biggest toe is the thickest and is usually the one



that hurts the most," said Dr. Mann.

Plantar fasciitis is one of the most common causes of heel pain.

Dr. Mann says there's still no good answer out there as to why some people get it and others don't. "After 30 years I still have no good correlation." He's seen very slim people with it, heavy people, runners and more. "Just because you have flat feet doesn't mean you will have it and some people with very high arches get it."

However, he said it's pretty unusual for in someone in their 20s or 30s. "Our tissues are stiffer when we are older," he said.

When a patient with plantar fasciitis comes to see him the first thing he does is put them in a supported insole – Pagani's Shoes on Marine Avenue carries a few varieties – and he suggests that they try them out there. "You have to leave the shop with an insole that is more comfortable than what you walked in with."

Although he does prescribe custom orthotics, he reserves that option for cases that don't respond to the first line of treatment. Secondly, all patients are told to get a night splint. "A study done at UBC showed that if we splint people in a long position at night, it does not get ripped open every morning." Rexall Drugs on Joyce Avenue stocks night splints, he noted. "You have to wear these all night every night for four to eight weeks."

With the combination of the form fitting insole and the night splint, about 80% of his patients begin to recover at follow up in four to eight weeks. Over the years he's noticed that morning pain in patients' heels drops about five minutes per week in those who wear their night splints and insoles.

"This works for four out of five people," he said. "For those whom it doesn't work for, they receive specialized treatment at follow up."

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# **The vision: Hospice House**

The Hospice Society is a local registered charity that provides compassionate support to individuals at the end of their life, to their family and friends, and to those who are grieving in Powell River, qathet Regional District, and Tla'amin.

Our objective is to create a community where all people are accompanied and supported on their endof-life or bereavement journey. You can learn more about hospice and hospice programs at our website: prhospice.org

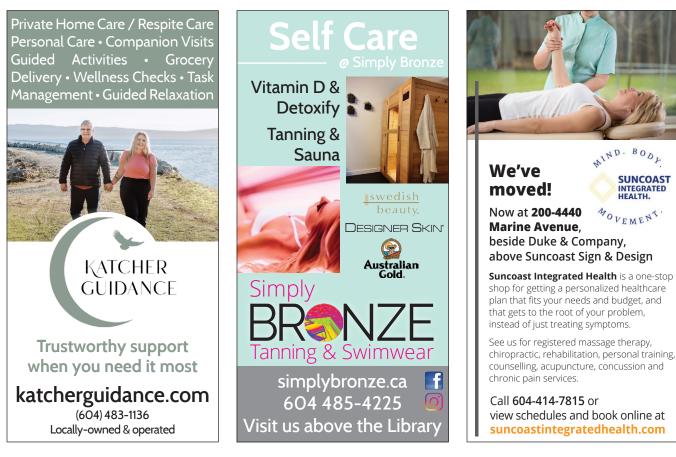
Our Society is launching a new project-Hospice House. Hospice House will be a facility where individuals can go to receive both palliative care and hospice support in a home-like environment as they approach the end of life.

Hospice House will welcome families and friends to stay with their loved one as well as receive hospice bereavement support.

Hospice House will be a new community service; and we believe it needs to reflect the values and vision of the entire qathet region. To that end, we are engaging community in a number of ways to learn more about your thoughts and ideas for Hospice House.

The first in the process is an online survey. Your time and opinions are important to the Society as we advance the vision and then the reality of Hospice House for our community. Using the link below, we encourage you to respond to our brief survey; it typically takes about 5 minutes. The information we gather will assist us in our decision making as the project moves forward. surveymonkey.com/r/QQFMXDC

~ Malerie Meeker, Hospice Society 🛽



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| Day       | Time       | Organization                    | Activity   |
|-----------|------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Monday    | 10am       | Seniors Centre                  | *Ukulele   |
| Monuay    | 10am       | Gerry Gray Place                | Drop-in  |
|           | 10:30am    | Gerry Gray Place                | Walking Group with Jodi                            |
|           |            | Seniors Centre                  | Carpet Bowling                                     |
|           | 1pm<br>1pm | Legion                          | Carpet Bowling                                     |
|           | 1pm<br>1pm | -                               | Table Tennis                                       |
|           | 1pm<br>1pm | Rec Complex                     | Stitch 'N' Chat                                    |
|           | 1pm<br>4pm | Gerry Gray Place<br>Rec Complex | Pickleball   |
|           |            | Seniors Centre                  | *Cards   |
|           | 7pm<br>7pm | Legion                          | Darts  |
|           | 7pm<br>7pm | Legion                          | Cinch  |
|           |            | -                               |  |
| Tuesday   | 9am        | Seniors Centre                  | Horseshoes   |
|           | 10am       | Seniors Centre                  | *Tai Chi   |
|           | 10am       | Gerry Gray Place                | Drop-in  |
|           | 1pm        | Seniors Centre                  | *Catan Boardgames                                  |
|           | 1pm        | Rec Complex                     | Table Tennis                                       |
|           | 1pm        | Gerry Gray Place                | Groove Dancing                                     |
|           | 2pm        | Seniors Centre                  | *Drop-in Coffee & Chat                             |
|           | 7          | Lenien                          | (3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Month)                 |
|           | 7pm        | Legion                          | Fun Darts  |
| Vednesday |            | Gerry Gray Place                | Drop-in  |
|           | 11:30am    | Rec Complex                     | Seniors Together<br>(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed of Month) |
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|           | 12pm       | Gerry Gray Place                | Luncheon   |
|           | 4pm        | Rec Complex                     | Luncheon<br>Pickleball                             |
|           | 6pm        | Rec Complex                     |  |
| Thursday  | 9am        | Seniors Centre                  | *Seniors Auxiliary                                 |
|           | 9am        | Seniors Centre                  | Elly Quilters                                      |
|           | 9:30am     | Seniors Centre                  | Thursday Quilters                                  |
|           | 9:30am     | Gerry Gray Place                | Men's Coffee Mornings                              |
|           | 10am       | Gerry Gray Place                | Drop-in  |
|           | 12:30pm    | Seniors Centre                  | *Drop-in Tech Tips                                 |
|           |            |                                 | (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of Month)                |
|           | 1pm        | Legion                          | Shuffleboard                                       |
|           | 1pm        | Gerry Gray Place                | Chair Yoga   |
|           | 6pm        | Rec Complex                     | Table Tennis                                       |
|           | 7pm        | Seniors Centre                  | Dance – Light Exercise                             |
| Friday    | 10am       | Gerry Gray Place                | Drop-in  |
|           | 1pm        | Seniors Centre                  | *Bridge  |
|           | 1          |                                 | Table Tennis                                       |
|           | 1pm        | Rec Complex                     |  |
|           | 1pm<br>4pm | Rec Complex<br>Rec Complex      | Pickleball   |
| Sunday    | 4pm        | Rec Complex                     | Pickleball   |
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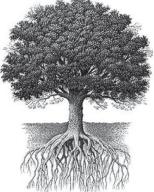
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# Counselling

# **Assessment & Counselling**

**604-485-2800** • **6817 Burton** Group of local community not-for-profit Employee Family Assistance Programs.

# Berghauser and Associates Counselling Services

604-223-2717 • #200-7385 Duncan berghauser.ca

Rick Berghauser, Arnold Mulder and Katie Glaze. Certified counsellors offering individual, couples, and family counselling. Work together to create new possibilities from old experiences. Counselling with Berghauser & Associates is covered by most employee benefits.

## Carol Battaglio Counselling 604-578-1199

Psychotherapist, author of *School Bullying: The Inside Story*. Family, depression, addictions.

# Child and Youth Mental Health Clinical Counselling

**604-485-0603** • **6944** Alberni Clinical intervention and counselling; includes suicide intervention programs.

# **Chris Drummond Counselling Services** 604-483-6337 • 4536 Willingdon

Registered clinical counsellor helps with addictions, phobias, trauma, and more.

#### **Chris Walford Counselling** 604-223-4415 • 4539 Marine

cwalford444@gmail.com Registered clinical counsellor working with clients age 10 & up face to face, telephonic or video. Helps with a range of psychological needs from PTSD, addictions, emotions and other issues. Integrates various evidence-based approaches to meet unique needs. Also helps with insurance dynamics such as ICBC, Worksafe, CVAP, VAC, FNHA & other insurers.

#### Deanne Bourguignon Counselling Services 604-414-9956

Registered Clinical Counsellor (BCACC) and certified Hakomi Therapist.

# Dr. Susan Lacombe, Psychologist 604-789-7227

Virtual psychotherapy for anxiety, trauma, depression, stress and relationship difficulties.

## **Eva van Loon Learning Specialist** 604-483-4940 • 6729 Cranberry

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#### Jon Schwabach, Ph.D., RCC 604-487-0633 • 14997 Saltery Rd drjon.ca

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## info@jmpcounselling.com

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# PEACE for Children and Youth 604-485-6968

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# Police Based Victim Services 604-485-3415

Assists victims, witnesses, and their family members to cope with crime and trauma. For all ages.

# Did we miss you?

While we endeavoured to include as many as possible, we may have missed a health provider or service. If so, please let us know at 604-485-0003 or sean@prliving.ca

### Quyn Lê Therapy 604-223-7112

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## **Rise Hypnotherapy**

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# Selena Bloom, MD SEP

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#### Shona Jackson Counselling 604-223-7927 • 4536 Willingdon

counsellingwithshona.com Registered clinical counsellor. Individuals or couples. Specializing in Somatic Experiencing - using perceived body sensations to relieve trauma, reduce chronic pain and improve quality of life. Trauma, depression, anxiety, pain, stress, self-esteem, relationships, attachment, family history.

#### Specialized Victim Support Services 604-485-2620

Support and advocacy for those who have been harmed by power-based crimes, whether or not you choose to report to police.

# St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs

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#### Stopping the Violence Counselling 604-485-6965

Free one-on-one counselling and support to women who have experienced violence and abuse.

# **Sunshine Mental Health**

604-414-7654 • PO Box 252 Psychology. Therapy/counselling and assessments for children, teens, and adults.

## **Tatiana Tsarouk, PhD Counselling & Hypnotherapy** 604-483-1835 • 5-3818 Joyce

drtsaroukmentalhelp.com Counselling, psychotherapy, hypnotherapy for stress relief, depression, anxiety, fears, family problems, relationships issues, psychological difficulties and frustration in difficult situations, PTSD, addictions, and other mental health issues. Hypnotherapy for enhancement of confidence and selfesteem, and to quit smoking.

# **VK Wellness Initiative**

604-578-8135 • 5-4313 Alberta vkwellness.ca

Wellness on your terms. Workshops and events, group therapy, clinical counselling, corporate wellness, mediation, registered massage therapy, holistic nutrition, clinical herbal therapy, adult sleep consulting, kinesiology services and more...

### Chad Yurich, M.Sc. RTC Wildwoods Counselling 604-223-3376 • 6363 King

chadyurich@gmail.com wildwoodscounselling.ca

This is my passion. I creatively assist clients to find wholeness and health. Counseling specialties included somatics, trauma, depression, anxiety, dreamwork, PTSD, guided imagery, grief, addiction, sexual abuse and mentoring. Let's work together to bring more ease and flow back into our lives. Free phone consultations.

# Dental

# Dr. James Bradley

**604-485-2851** • **4662** Marine Family and general dentistry services.

## **Burnaby Street Dental**

**604-485-2930** • **4621 Joyce** Dr. Ryan Sinotte, Dr. Richard Machin, Dr. Kaleigh Penkala. General family dentistry.

# Dr. Belinda Chow & Dr. Gary Needham

**604-485-2777** • **4511 Joyce** Family and general dentistry services.

# Glacier View Dental Dr T. Virdi

**604-485-9771** • **D-7053 Glacier** Family and general dentistry services.

#### **Dr. Ashok Varma** 604-485-4090 • 4742 Joyce Family and general dentistry services.

# **Marine Denture Clinic**

604-485-2212 • 4670E Marine info@ marinedentureclinic.com Complete and partial dentures, relines, implant-retained dentures. Same-day repairs. Free consultation. No referral necessary.

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# **Emergency Shelter**

## **Grace House**

Help Line: 604-485-9773 Info: 604-485-4554 Transition House for those who identify as female and their children and pets.

## **Overnight Shelter**

604-578-0633 • 4746 Joyce housingservices@liftcommunityservices.org 20-bed emergency shelter, open from 9:30 pm – 8 am every day. Overnight shelter, warm dinner, breakfast, community and resource referrals.

# Stopping the Violence Outreach 604-485-6980

Helps women who are in or who are leaving an abusive relationship to live in safety.

# End of Life

#### **Clare Liggett End of Life Doula** 604-483-9544 Help with the final transition: emotional, spiritual and practical support.

## Heather MacLeod End of Life Dementia Doula and Trainer

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## Hayley Creasey End of Life Doula

**604-414-7147** End of life care resource and liaison.

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604-223-7309 • PO Box 33, V8A 4Z5 prhospice.org

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# **Stubberfield Funeral Home**

# 604-485-4112 • 7221 Duncan stubberfieldfh.com

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# Eyes

# Dr. Louis M Botha

604-485-8455 • 102-4675 Marine MBCHB(PRET), FCS(OPHTH)SA Eye Physician & Surgeon

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# Feet

# Foot Loose Foot Care 604-483-9454

Cathy MacDonald provides foot care services, especially for seniors and diabetics.

# **Nadia's Foot Care**

604-892-4161 • 5584 Yukon Mobile foot care. Callus and nail care, hygienic and preventative maintenance.

# **Powell River Foot Care**

**604-223-7632** • Susan Lemna Mobile service not taking new clients.

# Your Sole Connection 604-344-0608

Sarah Murphy, LPN, and certified foot care nurse offers mobile medical foot care.

# **Food & Nutrition**

## **Assumption Soup Kitchen**

**604-485-5300** • **7091 Glacier** A free soup kitchen providing a homecooked warm meal, Fridays noon-1 pm.

# **Community Resource Centre**

604-485-0992 • 4752 Joyce Monday – Thursday, noon – 4 pm. Free lunch, coffee and snacks, laundry facilities, legal aid and community referrals.

# **Convenient Chef**

**604-483-9944** • **5830** Ash in Townsite Nutritious, homestyle prepared meals for reheating in the home or workplace.

# Food Bank

604-485-9166 • 6816B Alberni Open Tues – Wed – Thurs of every week (10 am to 2 pm)

# Food Hub

604-344-0531 adriana@liftcommunityservices.org Local food resources and how to access them. Community learning garden. Commercial kitchen available for use..

# Holzono Nutrition Consulting 604-616-8342

Individual nutritional sessions, wellness packages.

# Kelly's Health Shop

604-485-5550 • 4706C Marine Health food store with a large selection of supplements and herbs, personal care products, health food, beer and wine supplies, homeopathic items, and alternative medicines. Knowledgeable staff and holistic nutrition. Regular health education seminars.

# Lisa Marie Bhattacharya, RHN 604-714-4065

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# **Resilient Health**

**604-414-0765** Resilient health practitioner trained in occupational therapy and holistic nutrition.

## **Plant-Based RHN**

604-414-8399 • plantbasedrhn.com Plant-based nutrition/cooking support and consulting with Registered Holistic Nutritionist and Certified Plant-Based Chef Emma Levez Larocque. Join the Plant-Based Eating Support Network Group at the beginning of any month for online cookalongs, weekly recipes, nutrition talks and more!

# **Salvation Army**

604-485-6067 • 4500 Joyce Fresh produce, bread and dairy. Monday & Friday 12:45-1:45 pm. Bring your own bag. Hampers by appointment.

# Senior Citizens' Assoc Br #49

604-414-9456 • 6792 Cranberry Activities, lunches, dinners, entertainment.

# Health & Abilities Supports

## Community Adult Literacy & Learning

**604-485-2004** • **6975** Alberni Provides tutor training, matching adult tutors with adult learners.

# Kompassion for Kups 604-414-0339

Medical bras and prosthetics for those who have had mastectomy or lumpectomy.

# Literacy Outreach

604-414-7020 megan@liftcommunityservices.org Reading, writing, and numeracy skills as well as digital literacy support. One-on-one tutoring and group workshops.

## **Reach to Recovery**

604-485-6114 • 604-483-9120 Hospital and home visits to recently diagnosed breast cancer patients.

# Handydart

604-483-2008 • 7160 Duncan Accessible, door-to-door shared transit service for people with disabilities and medical conditions.

#### Wheels for Wellness Society 1-250-338-0196

Will pick you up at the ferry and take you to non-emergency medical appointments on Lower Vancouver Island.

# WorkBC

604-485-7958 • 4511 Marine centre-powellriver@workbc.ca

Job search resources, career planning, skills assessment, work experience opportunities, training and training supports.

# **Health info**

# BC211.ca

Online resource offers information and referrals regarding community, government and social services in BC.

## Fetch

### powellriver.fetchbc.ca

Online listings of community health services, provided by Vancouver Coastal Health and the qathet Division of Family Practice.

# Hearing

# **Bel Tone**

### 604-485-0597 • 102-4801 Joyce

Professional hearing tests (free with doctor's referral), hearing aid sales, follow-up care.

### **Powell River Hearing** 604-485-0036 • 4794B Joyce

powellriverhearing.com Comprehensive hearing tests. Hearing aid dispensing. Aural rehabilitative counselling. Modern hearing aids improve relationships, improve memory function, reduce background noise and connect to your devices. Contact Shannon for a consultation and demonstration.

# Low Income Support

# **Community Resource Centre**

604-485-0992 • 4752 Joyce Monday – Thursday, noon – 4 pm. Free lunch, coffee and snacks, laundry facilities, legal aid, community referrals, and a safe place for community members to socialize and connect with basic services.

# **Overnight Shelter**

604-578-0633 • 4746 Joyce housingservices@liftcommunityservices.org 20-bed emergency shelter, open from 9:30 pm – 8 am every day. Overnight shelter, warm dinner, breakfast, community and resource referrals.

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# **Danielle's Helping Hand Fund**

604-485-2132 | #207-6975 Alberni Can't afford an emergency health expense? United Way provides one-time financial assistance for low-income individuals and families. Confidential applications available at the Poverty Law Advocacy office, #207-6975 Alberni.

#### **Hygiene Cupboard** 604-485-0992 • 4752 Joyce

Do you need toothpaste, deodorant or other hygiene items? Stop by the CRC. The Hygiene cupboard is a project to ensure access to basic personal hygiene products for everyone.

# Life Cycle Housing Society

604-485-6006 • 4949 Ontario Not-for-profit providing affordable housing for families, people with disabilities and seniors.

# **Poverty Law Advocacy**

604-485-0950 • #207-6975 Alberni Free, confidential legal information, advocacy and referrals to low-income residents

# Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

**604-485-3622** • **6944** Alberni Income assistance, child-care subsidy, and support for persons with disabilities.

# **Supportive Housing**

**4910 Joyce • 604-223-4430 housingservices@liftcommunityservices.org** 44 units of subsidized, self-contained supportive housing for individuals at risk of homelessness. 24/7 staff support, daily meals, garden access, resources and community support to find and maintain stable housing.

# See also Food & Nutrition

# Marijuana

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## **Bean Cannabis Shop**

**236-328-8050** • **#7-7030** Alberni Street Cannabis advisors ready to share their selection of cannabis and accessories.

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**236-328-0088** • **4670 Marine Ave Unit B** Recreational marijuana. Edibles, accessories and more.

# Sun Coast Cannabis Shoppe

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# Massage & Laser

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# **Behr's Massage Therapy Clinic**

604-485-2155 • 201B-4690 Marine We treat conditions such as low back pain and chronic pain.

#### **Beyond Bliss Spa & Suites** 604-485-9521 • 4555 Marine beyondblissspa.com

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#### **Blue Lotus Wholistic Healing** 604-414-5991 • 4680 Willingdon fb.com/BlueLotusWholisticHealing evestegenga@riseup.net

From a trauma-informed background, Eve Stegenga offers massage and Reiki with an intention of creating space, releasing stress and bringing balance. Using modalities such as Swedish and deep tissue, as well as reflexology, joint release and shiatsu her aim is to realign the physical, mental and emotional bodies.

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# 604-223-7918 • 4697 Marine Ave rebalancemassage.ca

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## Brenna Wear, RMT

**604-868-2772** • **4313 Alberta** At VK Wellness. Pre- and post-natal massage, myofascial release and more.

# **Charlese Nan, RMT**

604-414-7923 Not taking new clients.

# **Ch'iyone Studio RMT**

# 778-743-0564 • Laneway 5480 Marine chiyone-rmt.ca

Book online or call. Safe & effective registered massage therapy with former licensed practical nurse Kimberly Franke, RMT. Swedish massage, myofascial release, and craniosacral techniques. Direct billing to Pacific Blue Cross, Canada Life (BC Ferries), RCMP and Veterans.

# **Elemental Healing**

604-208-8155

Massage and reiki. Shiatsu, cranio-sacral, deep tissue, Chi Nei Tsang.

## Heartwood Massage Sophie Gilmore

250-218-5112 • Hammond St heartwoodmassage.ca

Providing a variety of massage services including relaxation, firm pressure, hotstone and reflexology. With over 15 years experience in the field, Sophie offers a massage style blending therapeutic and relaxation techniques tailored to meet each client's needs. Accepting new clients. See website for details and online bookings.

# Heather Anderson, RMT

604-483-4380 Myofascial release, post-mastectomy, and top surgery care.

# Jana Dawn Rocks Massage

604-414-5208 • Myrtle Rocks Deep tissue, hot stone and Swedish relaxation massage. 30 years experience.

# **Knott's Therapeutic Massage**

**604-414-8041** • **5804 Maple** Erin Perrault, RMT. Not taking new clients at this time.

# **Koastal Therapy**

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# **Kostali Wellness**

4518 Joyce • kostaliwellness.ca kostaliwellness@gmail.com

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# Malaspina Massage

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# Marina Lagacé

604-414-7815 • 7061-D Ducan RMT offering relaxation-focused Swedish Massage with myofascial release.

# **Mayet Therapeutics**

**604-414-3978** • **9651 Evergreen** RMT Claire MacPherson provides massage and craniosacral therapy south of town.

#### Mindful Moves Body Care Services 604-483-6759

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## MR Massage Therapy

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### qathet Registered Massage Therapy

604-344-0043 • 6-4713 Alberta Mackenzie Alsager and Kristin Parker.

# **Sage by Sea Wellness Practice**

604-223-1957 • 7061-D Duncan Thai yoga massage, Reiki, Hakomi counselling

## Timber Massage & Wellness

604-344-0605 • 6935 Harvie Registered massage therapists and acupuncturist.

#### Townsite Massage Therapy Alison Richmond, RMT 604-905-8028 • 5670 Marine

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# **Medical Clinics**

# Dr. Louis M. Botha

**604-485-8455** • **102-4675 Marine** Eye Physician & Surgeon

# Erin Berukoff, Nurse Practitioner

**604-485-9213** • **4493A Marine** Nurse Practitioner with Vancouver Coastal Health.

# Dr. Ginette Cloutier, R.TCM.P

**604-223-7100** • **4585 Marine** Traditional Chinese Medicine; acupuncture and herbology.

# Dr. Brigitte Dohm

**604-485-7222** • **6962** Alberni Marine Medical Building. Family physician and medical clinic.

# **Family Tree Health**

**604-485-9213** • **4493A Marine** General practitioner medical clinic.

#### Fusion Medicine Integrated Clinic

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## **Harvie Medical Clinic**

**604-485-0136 • 6935 Harvie** Dr. C. Van Zyl, Dr. D Marentette, Dr. K. Bahadori, Dr. M. Andreae

# **Marine Medical Building**

**6962 Alberni** Family physicians and nurse practitioner.

# **Medical Clinic Associates**

**604-485-6261 • 4794 Joyce** General practitioner medical clinic.

# Powell River Community Health Centre

604-485-3310 • 5000 Joyce 3rd Floor Community health including public and home services.

# **Powell River Medical Clinic**

604-485-5501 • 4280 Joyce Walk-ins welcome. Dr. Diana Gil and Dr. Alexander Marchenko. Monday to Friday, 9-4:30. Esthetic treatments now available. In the same building as Powell River Pharmacy.

# **PR General Surgery Clinic**

604-485-0152 • 6935 Harvie The clinic for Powell River's surgeons, including Dr. Pavel Makarewicz.

## **Dr. Pieter Rossouw**

**604-485-4877** • **6962** Alberni Family Doctor.

# **Texada Island Health Centre**

**604-486-7525** • **4977 Sanderson** Also known as the Texada Medical Centre, home to Texada's physician and nurse.

## Tla'amin

## **Community Health Services**

604-483-3009 • 4895 Salish Drive Marlane Paul, Health Director 778-657-5898

Sandra Tom, Associate Health Director 778-657-5498

Nolan Louie, Case Manager/Navigator 778-657-5499

Kim Hackett, Medical Office Assistant 778-657-5900

Pregnancy and prenatal visits, childhood illnesses, checkups, vaccinations, sexual health screening, PAP smears, birth control, WCB and ICBC claims, adults with common ailments (such as sore throats, coughs, aches and pains), and chronic diseases (such as diabetes, high blood pressure, hypertension), medical procedures (such as suturing, biopsies and joint injections) etc.

# **Dr. Nicholas White**

604-485-9200 • 6962 Alberni Marine Medical Building. Medical clinic.

# Movement

# **101 Strength**

604-414-8002 • 101-7373 Duncan 24-hour membership exclusive gym, offering personal training and group fitness.

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# **Elements Movement**

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778-230-6849 • karinainkster.com Nail your fitness and plant-based nutrition goals online with our team of vegan coaches, led by Karina Inkster (host of the No-B.S. Vegan podcast, author of 5 books). Get customized workouts and nutrition planning. Check out our ebooks, articles, online course, vegan resources, and podcast (all free!) at our website.

### **My Element Fitness**

**604-414-4133** • **4552 Willingdon** Rowing, running, strength training, hiking & yoga classes, nutrition & personal training.

# Pilates & Fitness with Terri

604-485-5876 • 7053-B Glacier Controlled method of exercise with focus on deep abdominal and back muscles

### **Powtown Crossfit**

**604-999-3081** • **4504 Fernwood** Gym designed for functional movement constantly varied at high intensity.

#### Mindful Moves Body Care Services 604-483-6759

Hatha yoga with certified instructor Robin Morrison. Beginner and restorative classes.

## Five Elements Acupressure Qigong, and Qi Yoga

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# Recreation Complex

604-485-2891 • 5001 Joyce powellriverprc.ca

Swimming, skating, aerobics, fitness centre, sauna, hot tub and much more. Regular fitness programs ranging from weight room orientations to drumming to spinning to yoga and more. Steady Feet, walking clubs for seniors, cardiac rehabilitation and more.

# **Shift Fitness** 604-561-3374

Private personal training. Specializing in improving mobility for adults and seniors.

# Sunshine Somatics

Essential Somatics® Movement teacher, accredited Breathworks Mindfulness teacher.

# **T-Fit Yoga & Fitness** 604-483-6225

Terri Cramb is a fitness, yoga and health coach.

**Taoist Tai Chi** 250-240-3387 • Corner Michigan & Duncan Beginner and advanced classes in this exercise form.

# **Therapeutic Riding Association**

**604-485-0177** • **4356** Myrtle Therapeutic horseback riding for those with physical, mental and learning disabilities.

# **Naturopaths**

# Dr. Michael Reierson Naturopathic Physician

604-489-5919 ext 223 • #111-4871 Joyce Family health care naturopath at the Medicine Shoppe.

# Dr. Lani Nykilchuk, ND

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# **Pharmacies**

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## **The Medicine Shoppe**

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## **Powell River Pharmacy**

**604-489-9272** • **4280** Joyce Pharmacy and walk-in clinic.

## Rexall

**604-485-2929 • 4749 Joyce** Pharmacy offers compression stockings, blister packing, free delivery and more.

#### **Save-On-Foods Pharmacy**

604-485-2629 • 7100 Alberni saveonfoods.com/wellness-team Medication checks, vaccines, diabetes management, reminder packs, compounds. Get your flu shot by booking online at saveonfoods.com/flu

# Shopper's Drug Mart

604-485-2844 • Town Centre Prescriptions and over-the-counter medications with our team of pharmacists.

## Walmart Pharmacy

**604-485-0141 • 7100 Álberni** Pharmacy supplies at affordable prices.

# Physiotherapy & Sports

## On Track Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation

604-485-4660 • 104-7075 Alberni Assessment and treatment. Ergonomic consults. Physiotherapy and kinesiology.

## qathet Physiotherapy

**604-485-4334** • Unit 12 - 4312 Franklin Full-service physiotherapy clinic offering a range of rehabilitation services.

## **PR-MSK Sports Medicine**

**604-485-5601 • #11-4312 Franklin** Dr. David Mann.

# Reproductive Health

# Fusion Medicine Integrative Clinic

604-223-8877 • 4536 Willingdon Chinese Medicine with Integrative Medicine, optimizing hormones and parenting outcomes. Men welcome.

#### Lana Joy Parra 778-251-8364 • hello@lanajoyparra.ca lanajoyparra.ca

Paingloyparia.ca Paingloyparia.ca Paingloyparia.ca Paingloyparia.ca Paingloyparia.ca Paingloyparia.ca Together we can address root causes, heal hormones naturally and achieve your well-being goals. Trained in Holistic Reproductive Health, I am passionate about helping people feel better about their cycles as well as teaching a natural and reliable form of birth control. Free 30 minute consultations available; email Lana.

# **Sexual Health**

# **Options for Sexual Health (OPT)**

604-485-3310 • 3rd Floor, Hospital Non-judgmental birth control counselling, contraceptives, testing, and info.

# **Sexual Abuse Intervention**

**604-485-0600** • **6944 Alberni** Treatment for children and youth who have been sexually abused.

# **Societies**

### Youth & Family Powell River 604-485-3090 • 7105 Nootka

Free service for children, parents and families through counselling and programs.

# **Community Living BC**

877-592-1903 • 6975 Alberni Supports adults with developmental disabilities and their families in BC.

## **Division of Family Practice**

admin@prdivision.ca • 4760 Joyce divisionsbc.ca/qathet Facebook: @qathetdivisionoffamilypractice Instagram: @qdivisionoffamilypractice Supporting qathet GPs, specialists, and nurse practitioners, and promoting a healthy community. Find great health resources, information, and qathet COVID-19 info on our website.

# Powell River Assist 604-414-7947

To prevent and mitigate seniors abuse and isolation, and promote physical wellness.

## **PR Hospital Foundation**

604-485-3211 ext 4349 PRGH.Foundation@vch.ca prhospitalfoundation.com Mission is to inspire the community to invest in our hospital to advance patient care and improve the health and well-being of citizens. Donations enable the hospital to purchase equipment and training that might not otherwise be available.

# **PR Healthcare Auxiliary**

604-485-0110 • 6-7030 Alberni Volunteer association runs the Economy Shop and Hospital Gift Shop, Red Cross Health Equipment Loan Program (HELP) and patient comfort programs at the hospital.

## **Hospice Society**

**604-223-7309** • P.O.Box 33 V8A 4Z5 Social & emotional support for individuals with life-limiting or terminal illness, caregivers, or anyone who is grieving.

# inclusion Powell River Society

**604-485-6411** • **201-4675 Marine** Providing a range of services, for over 60 years, to children with extra needs, adults with developmental disabilities, and seniors.

# Lift Community Services of qathet Society

604-485-2004 #218 – 6975 Alberni info@liftcommunityservices.org We help all people thrive in the qathet region by reducing social inequities and by providing support and advocacy for anyone who needs it. Help us work toward our vision of a qathet that is free of poverty and full of heart!

# qathet SAFE

604-485-5335 qathetsafe.ca

Programs providing Safety and Advocacy for everyone including Grace House, Victim Services, Stopping the Violence Counselling and Outreach, PEACE counselling for children, Men Choose Respect Group, and Poverty Law Advocacy. All services are free and confidential.

# Speech & Language

# Lightfoot Speech & Language

604-786-3686 • LightfootSLP.ca LightfootSLP@gmail.com

Chris Lightfoot, MA, MSc, Registered Speech-Language Pathologist helping with speech-sound development, as well as language, reading and writing. Services for neurodiverse individuals. In-home or video conference services. Free 30-minute initial consultation.

# **Support Groups**

# **Brain Injury Society**

604-485-6065 • 101-7020 Duncan braininjurysociety.ca

The Society provides support, education and advocacy for persons living with an acquired brain injury, their family, friends and caregivers through goal specific, unique and innovative programming.

# **Caregivers' Support - Dementia**

malerie.meeker@gmail.com Second Wednesday of each month between 10 am and noon in the Lower Legion Hall.

#### Caregivers' Support - Hospice 604-223-7309

Connects people who are caring for loved ones. Organized by Hospice Society.

#### **The Compassionate Friends** 604-487-0889 • 604-218-6245 powellrivertcf@gmail.com

The Compassionate Friends allows you the opportunity to express your feelings with others who have also experienced the death of a child. We are parents who are grieving the death of a child for any reason at any age. We offer monthly meetings at Powell River Hospice Society Office.

# Elders Group (Tla'amin)

604-483-3009 • 4895 Salish Drive Coordinates programs that are inclusive to Aboriginal Elders (55 and older).

# Gerry Gray Place

**604-485-4008** • **#106-7075 Alberni** Drop-in program for seniors.

# **Immigrant Welcome Centre**

604-414-3630 •#106 – 2871 Joyce immigrantservices@liftcommunityservices.org Supports for immigrants to Canada including ESL English tutoring; settlement information; clubs and social groups; help with documents and applications; referrals to community supports; and information about life in Canada and Powell River.

#### Parkinson's Support Group 604-223-4566

Information and resources. 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:30-2:30 at the United Church.



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While we endeavour to include as many as possible, we may have missed a health provider or service.

If so, please let us know at 604-485-0003 or sean@prliving.ca so we can be sure to include it in next year's edition of ZEST.



# Senior Citizens' Association #49

**604-414-9456** • **6792** Cranberry Provides social, mental and physical activities for seniors.

# Source Club Society

**604-485-0005** • **4476 Cumberland** Supporting people living with serious & persistent mental health conditions. .

# SUSTAIN unity@sustainpowellriver.ca

Substance User's Society Teaching Advocacy Instead of Neglect is a peer-managed group that advocates for individuals who use drugs or who have substance use disorders to use drugs safely, find affordable housing, and form positive relationships within the community. Meetings every Tuesday at 4 pm at the CRC (4752 Joyce.)

#### **Trans qathet** 604-414-6184 • transqathet.ca info@transqathet.ca

Peer to peer support for gender diverse and trans people, and their allies. Hosts workshops and meet-ups, including a Zoom meet-up the first Tuesday of every month from 7 - 8:30 pm.

# Women's Health Network

604-485-2132 • 4750 Joyce United Way and VCH partnership to promote and support women's health.

# Walking Grief Support 604-223-7309

Every Wednesday 10:30 and 7:30 at Seawalk. All welcome. Organized by Hospice Society.

# Wellness

# **Catherine and Selena**

**604-223-8877** • **4536 Willingdon** Intuitive Energy Healing. Meridians, Energy Centers and Entanglements.

## **Coaching with Silvana**

604-414-4587 • silvanahernandez.com Personal Development Coach Enabling deep and lasting change. Enjoy clarity, momentum and growth as you are lovingly guided through life transitions using the Enneagram and Integral Coaching® Method. Transformational coaching that helps you courageously walk through change so you can fully love who you are and how you do life.

# **Cedar Cove Coaching** 604-414-4274 • Harvie Ave

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Dragonfly Touch 604-483-6643 Neuro feedback, reiki, theta healing. Alene Norris.

# **Fusion Medicine Integrative Clinic**

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# Sage By Sea Wellness Practice

604-223-1957 • 7061-D Duncan Reiki, Thai Yoga Massage, Hakomi Counselling Practitioner

## **Simply Bronze**

604-485-4225 • 6975 Alberni simplybronze.ca

Let your body make its own Vitamin D naturally, with a tanning visit to Simply Bronze. (Fake sun still produces Vitamin D!) Exposure to sunlight improves your energy and elevates your mood. Detox in the infrared sauna.

# Sounds Good Health and Wellness

**778-522-9642** • **10988 Berger** Reflexology, reiki, and a variety of modalities to help you on your wellness path.

# **Spirit Wind Healing**

604-487-4274 • 8754 Hwy 101 Angel readings, reiki, ARC bodywork, Hawaiian Huna, psychometric aura testing.

# **Wild Spirit Apothecary**

#### 604-208-4969 wildspiritapothecary.ca

Amber Friedman runs this small-batch apothecary that offers a variety of botanical body care products, plantbased medicine, consultations and herbal medicine classes. Products are available at the following locations: Ecossentials, Studio Curious, Lund Market and online.

#### Wolffy's Book Den 604-483-4940 • 6729 Cranberry wolffdenbooks.com

A story-lover's haven for children and adults, the Den's *Conspiracy Bazaar* stocks not only planners, journals, and organizing tools but also books and accessories for the mind and body on all spiritual paths.

# **VCH** Services

## The following programs are provided through Vancouver Coastal Health at the gathet General Hospital. 604-485-3310 • 5000 Joyce Avenue

# **Adult Day Program**

Social stimulation and therapeutic recreational programs in support group settings. Clients attend for caregiver respite, awaiting residential placement, etc.

## Adult Mental Health Program

Serves clients over age 19 who are diagnosed with a major mental illness and experiencing significant problems that interfere with functioning in the community.

# **Air Quality Program**

# **Acute Ambulatory Nursing**

# Assisted Living

**Audiology Services** 

# **Child Health Clinic**

Bring your Child Health Passport to record your child's current and past immunizations up to age 5.

# **Facilities Licensing**

Inspection of licensed adult and childcare facilities.

# **Community Nutrition Services**

# **Dental Public Health Program**

**Drinking Water Safety** 

**Early Childhood Vision** Screening

# **Food Safety Program**

# **General Hospital**

33-bed facility providing services that include surgery, endoscopy, ICU, obstetrics, in-patient psychiatry, oncology, emergency and diagnostic services.

# **Harm Reduction Services**

# **Home Care Nursing**

- Home and Community Care:
- Case Management Services
- Rehab Services
- Social Work Services

# Infant & Childhood **Immunization Clinic**

# Influenza Vaccinations

# **New Mother and Baby Care**

# **Nursing Support Services**

## Palliative Home Care Nursing Services

## Public Health Nursing and Early Years

## **Recreational Water Safety**

Monitoring recreational beaches weekly during the swimming season. Commercial pools and hot tubs are also approved and inspected regularly.

# Safe and Healthy Environments

Water, food safety and water treatment info.

Speech and Language Services Children Age 0-5 Years

# **Tobacco Reduction Program**

# Youth Clinic

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# Pelvic Bowl Steaming: An Inward Journey

Photo above and on the front cover by Lana Joy Parra

# **BY EMILY JENKINS**

Pelvic steaming is a longstanding holistic health practice from many cultures around the world whereby steam gently permeates the floor of the pelvic bowl.

I tried this practice with Lana Joy Parra and Amber Friedman earlier this year and would recommend their Circles to others. Lana is a Holistic

Reproductive Health Practitioner and Fertility Awareness Educator who teamed up with Amber for her specialised knowledge expeand rience in herbalism.

Together the two create a comfortable and calm environment in Amber's Wild Spirit Apothecary studio.

We encircled our steam stools within a low-lit, enclosed, and warm space dubbed the "womb room." Within the circle of boxes was a small table where we placed our mugs of tea around a central candle. After some introduction and basic explanations we set our intentions for the session.

We were each given a jar of herbs individually tailored based on our intake forms and the knowledge of Lana and Amber. I mixed my herbs and intentions into the pot sensing an empowering witchy magic. While the herbs steeped we used our hands to palpate the physical bony edges of our pelvis.

We explored our physical

bodies in relation to the pelvic bowl to familiarise and acknowledge this sacred part of ourselves. We followed with vocalizations, feeling physical sensations through our breath, centering us in the space.

When it was time to steam, we all sat, our long skirts draping over our legs and steam boxes, creating an enclosed environment. Within a few minutes the warmth of the

steam could be felt.

Lana gives a beautiful visual of the pelvic bowl paralleling the moon; both filling up and emptying over the course of the month.

After some time we rose from our seated positions to stretch our bodies while the room filled with the lovely scent of our combined herbs.

We closed the gathering with a poem and a sharing circle and those of us who wished to share described our experiences and learnings.

There was a sense of feeling cared for, of internal warmth and of an enlivening sensuality.

The practise can be done alone, and Lana shares with others how to do so at home without any special equipment, but the group setting creates unity and a sense of connection through the shared experience.

I found pelvic steaming a beautiful self-care ritual of honouring and celebrating my body's sacredness both physically and symbolically.  $\mathbf{Z}$ 



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