

The latest news and updates for Burnaby Neighbourhood House Members 55+

UNE 2024

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What is a "Seniors Community Connector"?

A Seniors Community Connector is a person who helps older adults in the community. They work with seniors one-on-one to connect them with helpful services and activities. This includes making referrals, helping them apply for programs, and introducing them to new opportunities. Their goal is to create a wellness plan that makes the seniors' lives better and helps them overcome problems they may face.

Turn to page 2 to learn what we do for the seniors in our community !



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What inspired you to become a community connector?



I grew up with my grandmother, seeing how important seniors are to families and communities. I adored her devotion to the family. Her love taught me to value seniors' contributions. My goal is to help seniors reconnect with others, find their identity, and live fulfilling lives.

The seniors I've met inspire me with their resilience, kindness, and wisdom. They appreciate the time we spend together, sharing stories. I'm grateful for their trust and the opportunity to be part of their lives.





We're excited to have Debby join our team! She's caring and passionate about helping seniors. Her social work background and ability to speak Cantonese and Mandarin are valuable assets. I speak Dari and Farsi, allowing us to support more seniors in their native language. Though we work for different organizations, we share the same goals and can be reached through either Burnaby Neighbourhood House or MOSAIC.

I'm thrilled to join the Burnaby Seniors Community Connectors team and appreciate Zarif's insights on connecting seniors with community support. Our collaboration allows us to exchange valuable resources and knowledge, ultimately creating a robust support network for seniors in Burnaby.



Zarif

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?



I enjoy spending time with my family and having picnic in a park or a beach. I love being in Nature or on rainy days hitting the pool for a relaxing hot tub and swimming.

I like reading, writing, running, planting and cooking. When I'm off from work, I mainly spend all my time doing those. Sometimes, I hang out with my friends, such as hiking and partying at home.



What's one thing people may not know about you?

Zarif: That I love to learn music!

Debby: I hope I can complete my half Marathon next year!

MEET THE TEAM



Alexis Haig Manager of Seniors' Services



Debby Wong

Community Connector



Blenn Dioces Caregiver & Dementia Programs Coordinator



Charlene Laramee Seniors Transportation and Information & Referral Coordinator



Emily Chan Seniors Food Programs Coordinator



Cynthia Lu Seniors Food Programs Supervisor



Leila Habibi Senior Peer & Caregiver Support Coordinator



Lea Kovalchuk Seniors' Social and Day Programs Coordinator



Seniors' Social and Day Programs Activity Supervisor



Hilda Eng Kitchen Coordinator



Tina Nguyen Seniors' Volunteer Supervisor



Rojan Nasiri BC Housing Program Coordinator



Lynn Leong BC Housing Coordinator -Doug Drummond



Marleni Curi Gomez BC Housing Seniors Activity Supervisor

Sunday, June 23, 2024 Walk & Roll H

A Walk for Burnaby Seniors' Health

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The Walk & Roll walkathon is a family-friendly 3 km walk to highlight the importance of maintaining the physical and mental health of aging seniors in our neighbourhoods and raise awareness of the many community resources available to them. Team up and let's walk to raise funds for our seniors programs and services!

Advanced registration required Walkathon starts at 9:30 AM at BNH South House (4460 Beresford Street)

#walk&roll

Register at burnabynh.ca or scan QR code



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Email info@burnabynh.ca for more information



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FREE PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONERS

Available for income qualified households and individuals referred by regional health authority programs



If you live in an income-qualified household and/or have received a recommendation letter from your regional health authority's Home Care Program you may be eligible for a free portable air conditioner (AC) through BC Hydro.

This program is available year-round. Homeowners can also choose to self-install their units, which may help in receiving a unit quicker, during summertime.

If you live in a home type that qualifies and are income qualified, consider applying for our Energy Conservation Assistance Program (ECAP) for additional energy saving upgrades, as well as an AC unit.

Apply online at

https://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/residential/rebates-programs/savings-basedon-income/free-air-conditioner.html

For guidance and assistance, please refer to the digital cafe resources on page 17 & 18 where you can access helpful information and support.



PET FEATURE

Meet Paul's pet - Misha!

What kind of breed is she?

She's a Tabby and she's almost 8 years old!

Does she have any tricks or special talents?

Misha used to play fetch! We would throw her a nerf ball and she would bring it back to us. She also likes to push the ball down the hall. She comes to the door when I leave and meows "goodbye".





How did your furry friend find her way into your family?

We got her from SPCA as a rescue. She was 7 months at that time. They found her on the streets in Williams lake.





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Showcase your beloved pets and spread joy by featuring them in our upcoming newsletters. Contact Tina Nguyen at seniorvolunteer@burnabynh.ca

Community Cafes

Drop in, relax, chat, engage in activities/games, and build connections in the community!

Enjoy coffee, tea and treats. Visit our website to find out about special programming: burnabynh.ca/getinvolved_adult/

BNH Membership required.

NEIGHBOURHOOD

South House (4460 Beresford St) 1-4pm on Thursdays

North House (4908 Hastings St) 1-4pm on Fridays



Kaabo Welkomin Dobrodošli Sugonu fi Kastor Bienvéni Bonvenon Selamat Datang Swagata Bee Minen Bienvenido Vokôso

Velkommen -

(k^wik^wəλəm), Squamish (Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw) and Musqueam (x*mə8k*əýəm) nations with a unique focus on neighbours supporting neighbours.





North House

Soup Lunch

We're so excited to be bringing it back – soup on Mondays! Enjoy a bowl of healthy soup and a fresh bread bun (\$2), and connect with your neighbours. Mondays | 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Community Cafe

Drop in to chat and relax, or take part in the activities and games going on that day. Bring your favourite game to share with others or learn something new. Fridays | 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Brentwood House

Qi Gong Classes

Qi Gong is a personal practice that leads to fitness, flexibility, and internal peace that combines the physical benefits of exercise with the spiritual qualities of meditation.

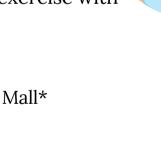
Mondays | 2:00pm - 3:00pm Saturdays | 2:00pm - 3:00pm *at the Amazing Brentwood Mall* (temporarily facilitated by Rodolfo)

South House

For the program guide, contact Lea at: leak@burnabynh.ca

Senior's Social & Games

Join us Wednesdays (12:00-2:00pm) and Fridays (10:30-12:00pm) for a cup of coffee or tea and a range of activities: BINGO, cards, birthday celebrations, and more!



4460 Beresford St.

604-431-0400

4908 Hastings St

northinfo@burnabynh.ca

604-294-5444

















2055 Rosser Ave 604-299-5778 reception@bbyservices.ca

COMMUNITY LANGUAGE CLASS LEARN ARABIC & FARSI W/ FATEMEH

LOCATION: NORTH HOUSE (4908 HASTINGS ST)

> JUNE 28 - AUGUST 30 FRIDAY MORNINGS 10:00-11:00 AM

BNH MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

\$5 ANNUAL FEE \$5 COMMUNITY FEE

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ANNR@BURNABYNH.CA



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Caregiver Lunch includes an overview about "Will "



Thursday, June 6th 12:30 to 3PM Brentwood House 2055 Rosser Ave

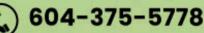
Attend our free presentation on will planning and ensure your legacy is preserved just as you wish!

Host: Ann Marie Carlson From Seniors Health and Wellness Institute Activity: small exhibition and talking about dolls

Contact Leila to register:



Seniorpeercaregiver@burnabynh.ca



Burnaby's Caregiver Support Program is funded by the Government of BC and managed by the United Way of BC





United Way British Columbia

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Community Program English Conversation with Paul

June 7 - July 26, 2024 12.30pm-2.30pm

Every Friday

BNH South House

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

To register, please contact Carina: volunteer@burnabynh.ca

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Community Basic

Mandarin Program

Every Thursday June 6- June 20 & July 4 - July 25 10.30am-12.30pm BNH South House

REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

To register, please contact Carina: volunteer@burnabynh.ca

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ADVANCE CARE PLANNING

You are invited to join our workshop!

Advance care planning is for everyone—no matter where you find yourself on your health care journey. Whether you are a young adult or older adult, are healthy or have a chronic illness, now is the best time for you to start planning. Many of us don't know where to begin, while others are unaware that we can have a say in our care.



| 01 | Together, we will learn about the 5 steps of Advance Care | | | | | | |
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| 02 < | Planning to allow you, and those who matter most to you, to | | | | | | |
| 03 < | start or continue planning. Discussion and provided | | | | | | |
| 04 | resources will help you better understand how to share and | | | | | | |
| 05 | document your wishes for future health and personal care. | | | | | | |

Bryn Poschenrieder, MSW, RSW

Clinical Resource Social Worker, Advance Care Planning | Fraser North Regional Advance Care Planning Team | Fraser Health

Christine Delos Santos

Nurse Clinician, Advance Care Planning | Fraser North Regional Advance Care Planning Team | Fraser Health



To learn more, visit *A* <u>www.fraserhealth.ca/acp</u>

To register, contact Lea: leak@burnabynh.ca or 236-668-1712



When: Friday, June 21st 11am - 12pm Where: Burnaby Neighbourhood South House, 3rd Floor, 4460 Beresford St.

Natural Healing Exercise-外丹功一Wai Dan Gong Qi Gong



Facilitated

temporarily by

Rodolfo

Every Saturday



2 PM - 3 PM **Amazing Brentwood Mall**

Next to Purdy's Chocolate

Wai Dan Gong

Is a self disciplinary exercise that relies on the circulation of a "Priori Chi" (Xian Tian Oi) over the whole body, thus strengthening the human's defense system. It can build up stamina, cure aliments and prolong life. It is in accordance with the principle of natural healing. It's easy to learn and beneficial for those who practice daily. It's safe to practice and no side effects have ever been observed. This exercise fits most seniors.

The Qi Gong exercise is applicable to persons with partial disabilities and can be done sitting on a chair for those who have difficulty standing while exercising.

More info / Register:

annr@burnabynh.ca

BNH MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED (\$5 Annual Fee)

Community Program Annual fee is \$15



CONNECT ENGAGE BELONG

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English Conversation Circle with Rowena

Every Friday morning (10:00-11:00am) continue developing your language skills and explore a variety of topics and themes!

Movement for Health

Enjoy different physical activities to help improve your health!

Latin Beat <u>Yuanji Dance</u> Yoga **Fridays**: Wednesdays Fridays: 2-2:45pm 10–11am 3-4:45pm Tai Chi **Fridays** Wednesdays 1-2pm 24 Tai Chi 10–11am 24 Tai Chi (Beginners) 11am–12pm Tai Chi Sword 2-3pm 48 Tai Chi

Digital Cafe with Mal

Need help with your phone or computer? Drop by our Wednesday Social on June 5th and get support with your device!

Workshop - Burnaby Public Library

On Wednesday, June 19th , enjoy a talk with Andrea, BPL's community librarian!

Friday Lunch

Meet new friends and enjoy a delicious meal (\$6) **Register** by 2pm Thursday.

Sew Fun!

Practice your sewing skills every Friday afternoon (1:00-3:00pm)!

Community Hall

TAPS Community Day Program - Thursdays!

Join TAPS and have fun chatting, playing games, and enjoying meals with others! Transportation supports are available. Cost: \$6 for lunch To register, contact **Lea** at **604-431-0400 or leak@burnabynh.ca**.



Burnaby Public Library











Where?

A new, low-cost, social activity day program for Burnaby seniors!

Why Should You Join?

- Meet new friends and socialize in a supportive environment.
- Engage in safe low impact physical activities.
- Participate in creative programs including music, art and brain games.
- Meet experts and learn about the latest health and wellness topics.

Burnaby Neighbourhood House Community Hall 5024 Rumble St., Burnaby

Cost

Lunch: \$6/day Annual BNH membership fee required (\$5 per year)

Current Schedule

Thursdays 10 am - 2 pm



Who Can Come?

- Burnaby residents age 55+
- Able to independently take part in activities
- Experience barriers accessing community programs due to lack of support, transportation, mobility, or health challenges.





To Register, Please Contact:

Lea Kovalchuk TAPS Coordinator (236)-668-1712 leak@burnabynh.ca

BNH TAPS program is funded by the Government of BC and managed by United Way of BC







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Dementia Programs -South and Brentwood House



Burnaby Dementia Cafes - Brentwood and South House

Join others living with dementia and their families & friends as we socialize and participate in workshops by guest speakers.

- Dementia Friendly Café: Brentwood House
 - 2nd Thursday of the month
 - 1:00-2:30PM

• Dementia Friends Café: South House

- Last Thursday of each month
- 12:00-2:00PM

Seniors Memory Club - Brentwood House

Join our dementia-friendly and multicultural event - a weekly opportunity to play games, exercise, socialize, sing, share stories, and celebrate our togetherness.

• Most Saturday from 10:00AM-11:30PM

To register, contact Alexis at alexish@burnabynh.ca or 604-431-0400

Peer and Caregiver Support -Across Burnaby

Caregiver Support

Enjoy a nutritious lunch, guest presenter, and a self-care activity every month with other family and friend caregivers!

- Caregiver Lunch Brentwood House
 - First Thursday of each month | 1:00-3:00PM
- Family Caregiver Journey South House
 - Third Thursday of each month | 10:30-2:00PM

Senior Peer Support

Trained volunteers provide one-on-one support to seniors who are experiencing anxiety, social isolation, frustration, or difficulties because of life changes.

Friendly Phone Calls/Visitors

Stay connected through weekly phone calls or visits from a volunteer!

To register, contact Alexis at alexish@burnabynh.ca or 604-431-0400







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BNH Services Spotlight:

Seniors Form Filling and Information & Referral Clinics!

Need help completing your CPP, OAS, GIS, BC Housing Registry, SAFER, or BC Bus Pass Application? Trained volunteers will assist you with completing forms and provide information about local resources and services to help meet your needs. By appointment. Contact **Charlene at 604-292-3901** or **charlenel@burnabynh.ca**

Grocery and Meal Delivery Program

We provide food hampers, prepared meals, and grocery shopping & free delivery to seniors in Burnaby.

For information on food hampers, contact 604-307-2945

For information on prepared meals and grocery shopping, contact **Emily** at **778-288-3747** or **emilyc@burnabynh.ca**.

Digital Literacy Program

Would you like learn to use email, create files and documents, use excel, search the Internet or practice typing and writing skills on a computer? Volunteer Computer Instructors are available to help community residents with their computer learning needs. We offer support in multiple languages. Drop in to this in-person program at the North , South or Brentwood House. No registration required.

You can use one of the Neighbourhood House devices or bring your own device. For more information, email us at **computercafe@burnabynh.ca** (See poster for more details).

Settlement Services:

If you are a newcomer, immigrant or refugee in Canada, welcome! We are here to answer your questions and support your settlement and integration in your new community. Services are available in Arabic, Mandarin, Farsi, Dari, Pashto, Tagalog, and Spanish. To *learn more*, contact **settlementprogram@burnabynh.ca** or **604.431.0400**

Sharing Cultures Dinners

Every month, BNH will host "Sharing Cultures" community dinners to bring neighbours together and learn about the diverse cultures that build our multicultural community. Attendees will enjoy a delicious dinner, participate in engaging activities, and connect with neighbours from different backgrounds and ages. BNH will welcome community members who would like to attend the dinners or who want to help with the organization of the event.

For more information please email volunteer@burnabynh.ca or call 604-431-0400.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

*Dinner served around 6.15pm

Sharing Cultures 4460 Beresford Street, Burnaby Dinner

(South House) - 3rd floor

Featuring a taste of PHILIPPINES

Food, Music, and Children's Activities

Buy tickets in advance at the South BNH Reception or call (604) 431-0400:

| Adults | (19+) | \$8 |
|----------|----------|------|
| Youth | (13-18) | \$8 |
| Children | n (4-12) | \$5 |
| Under 3 | | Free |



Menu: Chicken Adobo Vegetable Pancit Dessert: Bilo-bilo



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Do You Need Tech Help?

North House

Mon: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tues: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM *new hours*

(4908 Hastings St, Burnaby) 604-294-5444 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

Brentwood

Wed: 10 AM - 12 PM

(2055 Rosser Ave, Burnaby) 604-299-5778 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

South House

Mon: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Thurs: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sat: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (closed on long weekends)

(4460 Beresford St, Burnaby) 604-396-7307 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

Computer Drop-in

- Using laptops, phones, tablets
- Zoom, Google Search, Email basics
- Microsoft Suite Basics Multiple languages offered



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No registration required





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Learning Exchange



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BNH DIGITAL LITERACY EXCHANGE PROGRAM NOW HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE!

This means that you can get our announcements about different events and workshops all in one place.

Here's how to follow us:

1. Scan the QR code provided.

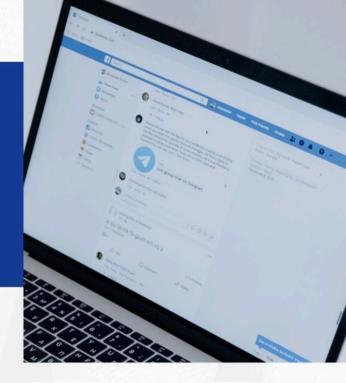
Newer phones can scan a QR code using their Camera app. If you cannot scan that way, you can install a QR code scanner from the App or Play Store.

2. Once you see our Facebook page, click the three dots aligned vertically.

If you are not logged in to your Facebook account, the website will prompt you to enter your credentials.

3. In the next page, click "Follow."

Now, whenever we post news or tips on the Facebook Page, you can see our posts in your Facebook Feed.





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BNH Digital Literacy Exchange Program

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Settlement & Integration Program

Burnaby Neighbourhood House located on the traditional unceded territories of Coast Salish Nations

CONVERSATION CIRCLE FOR ARAB WOMEN NEWCOMERS MAY 03-JULY26

ONLINE 10:30 AM -12:00PM

- Find new friends
- Connect with newcomers
- Improve your English.

For registration, please contact us:

sihamaa@burnabynh.ca ; Tel: 236 8772517

WWW.BURNABYNH.CA

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4460 Beresford Street Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8 (In front of Metrotown Skytrain) (604)431-0400



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Seniors Grocery Shopping

Do you have difficulty grocery shopping for yourself?

Our grocery shopping and delivery program helps older adults maintain independence at home

For who? Older adults 55+ who live in Burnaby Member of Burnaby Neighbourhood House

We will call you once a week to obtain your grocery shopping list, place your order online and Superstore will do the shopping and delivery for you

Registration required

For more information contact Emily 778 288 3747 seniorshopping@burnabynh.ca



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FROZEN MEALS FOR SENIORS

Do you have trouble cooking for yourself at home?

Our excellent kitchen team prepares, portions, and freezes home-cooked meals in our licensed kitchen!

Seniors 55+ who live in Burnaby Member of Burnaby Neighbourhood House

Pickup

For who?

Delivery

BNH South House 4460 Beresford St

Last Thursday of the month

(Complete registration form)

Meals are \$7 each Subsidy available

For more information contact Emily 778 288 3747 emilyc@burnabynh.ca



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seniors first BC Free Community Legal Clinics

We provide free 30-minute legal consultations to eligible seniors (55+) <u>by</u> <u>appointment</u> at locations across the Lower Mainland for legal issues such as:

- Understanding legal proceedings and what to expect in courts or tribunals.
- Drafting advance planning documents. (e.g. wills, powers of attorney).



Language Interpretation Available!

Eligibility

- Gross income: \$40K + \$10K per additional household member
- Asset test for Advance Planning services determined during booking.

Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.

We cannot prepare court documents, and we do not advise on family and criminal law issues.

To confirm eligibility and to book an appointment, call **604-336-5653.**

Legal Clinic Locations

- SFBC Office in Vancouver by appointment only.
- Kay's Place in Vancouver every 1st Wednesday of the month, from 10 AM to 12PM.
- Minoru Centre in Richmond every 4th Thursday of the month from 10AM to 12PM.
- Seniors' Services Society of BC in New Westminster every 3rd Friday of the month from 2pm to 4pm.
- Newton Seniors Centre in Surrey every first Tuesday of the month between 10am to 12pm.
- Burnaby Neighbourhood House South House every 2nd Tuesday of the month between 10am and 1pm.
- Burnaby Community Services every 4th Tuesday of the month between 10am to 1pm.
- VCH Deaf Well-Being Program in Burnaby two Thursdays each month in the mornings and afternoons. ASL interpretation provided.

Get in Touch with Us!



604-336-5653

- 🛛 Info@seniorsfirstbc.ca
- ♀ 1281 W Georgia St #502, Vancouver
- SeniorsFirstBC.ca

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

DO YOU LIVE IN BURNABY?



INTERESTED?

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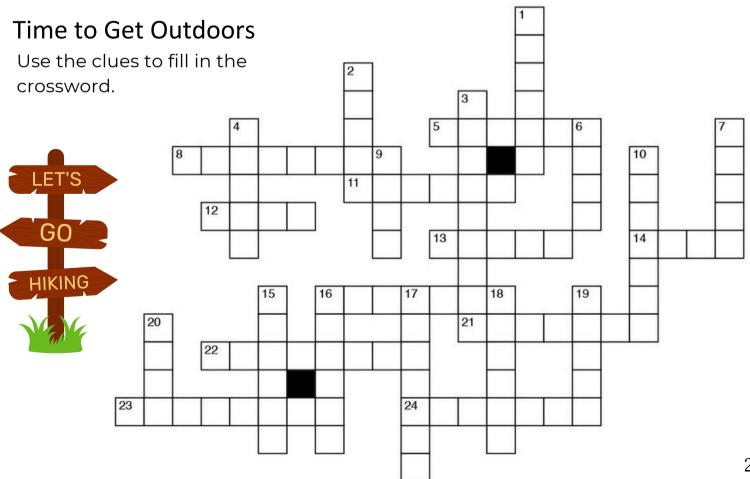
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PUZZLES

Fill in the boxes with words or terms that begin with each of the letters in *VINES*. Add your own category in the last row

VINES

| | VINES | NES OF the letters in vines. Add your own category in the last row. | | | | | | |
|------------|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Categories | | V | I | N | E | S | | |
| | Plants | | | | | | | |
| | Adjectives | | | | | | | |
| | Eight-Letter Words | | | | | | | |
| | Actors (first o last name) | r | | | | | | |
| | Books | | | | | | | |
| | Your Choice | | | | | | | |



ACROSS

- 5. Mustangs and Appaloosas
- 8.Hiker's bag
- 11.On a trek
- 12.Trout's home
- 13.Spelunking spots
- 14.Recreational area
- 16.Hanging five or ten
- 21.Regatta activity
- 22.Masked critters
- 23.Casual top
- 24.Mosquitoes and bees

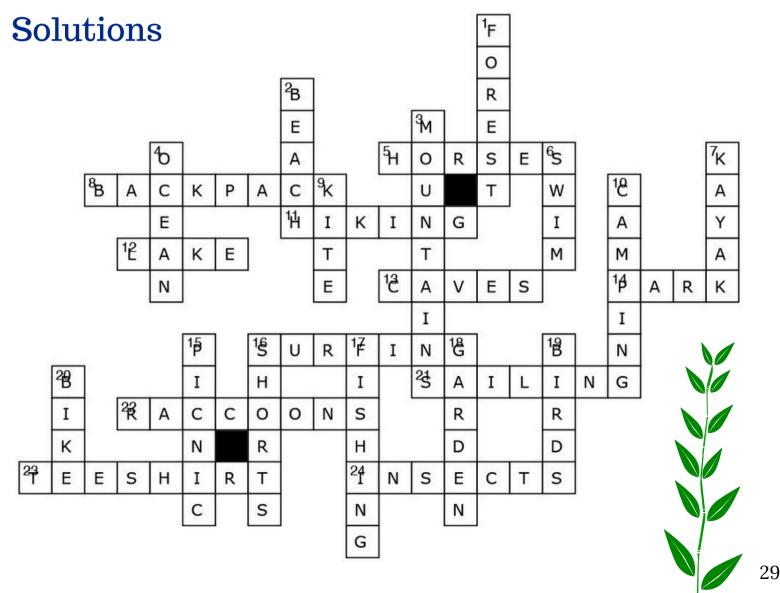
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- 1. Ranger's workplace
- 2. Surfer's hangout
- 3. K2 and Everest
- 4. Large body of water
- 6. Lake activity
- 7. Canoe-like boat
- 9. Toy on a string





- 10.Woodland activity
- 15.Outing with a basket
- 16.Bermuda wear
- 17.Retiree's pastime
- 18.Plot for growing plants
- 19.Hawks and doves
- 20.Two-wheeler



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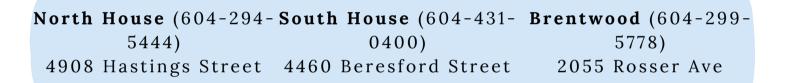


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