

# Spring 2019 OUT & ABOUT

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## Newsletter

**CSCL**  
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for Community Living  
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- CSCL will be presenting 2 workshops at Inclusion BC's annual conference in May this year in Victoria. One on Inclusive Employment and the other on Social Capital.
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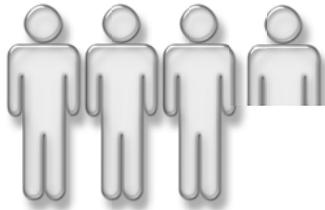
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## NAOSH WEEK

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May 6 through May 10 is Health and Safety week! CSCL will be holding activities on each day that week, stay tuned for more details!



## DeVry Fundraiser

Growing smiles Fundraiser April 2019

CSCL raised funds for our 2020 staff Christmas Gala. You can purchase hanging baskets, basket stuffers, herb packs, and lots of other options.

# AGM

Annual General Meeting

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Tuesday, June 4, 2019

CSCL will be holding our Annual General Meeting at 7pm at the Coast Hotel - 45920 First Ave, Chilliwack



## Summer Scapes

July 2019

Looking forward to another fun filled summer— watch for information and registration coming soon!"



## CSCL Event

October 18, 2019

Our Annual Community Living Event will again be held on a Friday night. Tix available in September. Hope to see you there, and don't forget to invite family and friends!

# Celebrating over 32 years of Employment

Like many people, Neil Fromhart graduated from school and promptly entered the workforce, and has been working ever since, for over 32 years.

This may not seem exceptional, but when you consider the employment rates for people with developmental disabilities (15%-26% versus 79% for people without disabilities), Neil's career history is truly remarkable.

Before graduating high school, Neil worked in CSCL's Sunshine Café. It is there he realized he would like to work in a restaurant.

When he graduated, Neil began working as a cook at McDonald's, where he worked for 18 years. When he was



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In response to his exemplary work, Neil was named Employee of the Year at the Leisure Center at the end of 2017.

Neil also works at the CBI Health Center one evening per week, and has been volunteering at Heritage Village for hymn sing and lunch service on Thursdays for more than 12 years. Understandably, Neil's family and friends are very proud of his accomplishments.

When asked why she thought Neil has been so successful in his career, Neil's mother, Molly Fromhart says simply "he's very pleasant, he listens well, and he tries very hard". Well done Neil!

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Do you have something to say?  
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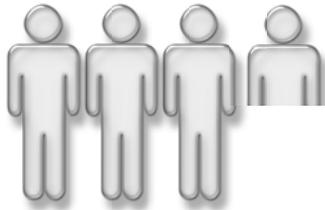
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**May 6-10, 2019 is Safety Week at CSCL**

May 6 through May 10 is Health and Safety week! CSCL will be holding activities on each day that week, stay tuned for more details!



## DeVry Fundraiser

**Growing smiles Fundraiser April 2019**

CSCL raised funds for our 2020 staff Christmas Gala. You can purchase hanging baskets, basket stuffers, herb packs, and lots of other options.

**AGM**  
Annual General Meeting

## CSCL Annual AGM

**Tuesday, June 4, 2019**

CSCL will be holding our Annual General Meeting at 7pm at the Coast Hotel - 45920 First Ave, Chilliwack



## Summer Scapes

**July 2019**

Looking forward to another fun filled summer— watch for information and registration coming soon!"



## CSCL Event

**October 18, 2019**

Our Annual Community Living Event will again be held on a Friday night. Tix available in September. Hope to see you there, and don't forget to invite family and friends!

# Celebrating over 32 years of Employment

Like many people, Neil Fromhart graduated from school and promptly entered the workforce, and has been working ever since, for over 32 years.

This may not seem exceptional, but when you consider the employment rates for people with developmental disabilities (15%-26% versus 79% for people without disabilities), Neil's career history is truly remarkable.

Before graduating high school, Neil worked in CSCL's Sunshine Café. It is there he realized he would like to work in a restaurant.

When he graduated, Neil began working as a cook at McDonald's, where he worked for 18 years. When he was



ready for a slower paced job, Neil left his position at McDonald's and began working as a custodian at the Chilliwack Landing Leisure Center, where he has worked for the past 10 years.

In response to his exemplary work, Neil was named Employee of the Year at the Leisure Center at the end of 2017.

Neil also works at the CBI Health Center one evening per week, and has been volunteering at Heritage Village for hymn sing and lunch service on Thursdays for more than 12 years. Understandably, Neil's family and friends are very proud of his accomplishments.

When asked why she thought Neil has been so successful in his career, Neil's mother, Molly Fromhart says simply "he's very pleasant, he listens well, and he tries very hard". Well done Neil!

## Chilliwack Society For Community Living

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## Your Voice!

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Do you have something to say? Let's hear from you!

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