

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY SUPPORT SERVICES

For details, drop by the office at #103- 225 Canada Ave. (open M-F 10:00 – 2:00) Phone 250-746-4134. E-mail: cvuccs@bc.cancer.ca

- 1. Support Groups: The following support groups meet at the CCS office in Duncan:
 - <u>Living with Cancer</u>: open to anyone with a diagnosis of any type of cancer and family members. The group meets on the last Wednesday of every month from 10:30 to noon.
 - <u>Prostate Cancer</u>: open to anyone with prostate cancer and spouse or family members. The group meets on the last Thursday of the month from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and also for an informal coffee meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m.
- **2. Wig Boutique:** There is a wide assortment of wigs in all colours and styles, also scarves, hats and toques available free of charge in the wig room at the CCS office. These items are available to anyone who has lost hair as a result of cancer treatment.
- **3. Freemasons Cancer Car program:** Through a partnership with the Canadian Cancer Society the Freemasons offer free rides to treatment in Victoria in a Cowichan Valley-based van for people with cancer. Call 250-668-5585.
- **4. Vancouver Island Lodge**: For people who have daily, long-term, or ongoing cancer treatment and wish to stay in Victoria, the Vancouver Island Lodge provides M-F accommodation, meals and additional support for a nominal fee. 250-592-2662
- **5.** Camp Goodtimes: A summer camp program held at Loon Lake in Maple Ridge and Camp Pringle at Shawnigan Lake for children living with cancer. Applications available online at www.campgoodtimes.org or phone 1-888-939-3333
- **6. Cancer Information Service**: The largest database of information about cancer and cancer services in Canada. Sound, research-based information is delivered over the phone, by mail or e-mail. 1-888-939-3333
- **7. Peer Support**: Clients are matched with one of more than 1000 trained peer volunteers nationwide who can offer telephone support and encouragement. 1-888-939-3333
- **8. Prostate Cancer Information Service**: Information for people with prostate cancer by e-mail: support@prostatecancer.ca or phone: 1-855-722-4636
- **9. Financial Assistance**: This program provides financial assistance to those in need who are unable to meet the additional costs of transportation, accommodation and symptom-management medications during their cancer treatment. Complete application packages are available at the CCS office in Duncan. 250-746-4134