



Welcome Inn Newsletter

Happy holidays from our family to yours!

Special Events ✨

Christmas Dinners

Sunday, December 11

Aldergrove Kinsmen
Community Centre,

Sponsor- 7th Day Adventist

Time - 5:30 PM

Saturday, December 17

County Line Christian
Fellowship Church

264th Street Aldergrove

Sponsor- County Line

Time - 5:30 PM

Monday, December 19

Welcome Inn, Aldergrove

Sponsor- Welcome Inn

Time - 5:30pm

The Welcome Inn Community Dinner

Monday Evenings at:
St. Ann's Parish Hall
272 St. & 28A Avenue
Aldergrove, B.C.

5:30 - 7:00 PM

604-701-2079

www.welcomeinn.org

Our Mission Statement ✨

The mission of The Welcome Inn is to be a reflection of Jesus Christ through our actions, and our interactions with our neighbors, and our communities. It is not our desire to speak God's love and yet not show it in a practical way. To this end, we exist to compassionately, and without reservation to wholeheartedly help the hurting among us - the unseen, the forgotten, and the oppressed. To share their burdens, and when necessary - bear their burdens. In return, we ask absolutely NOTHING. We demonstrate this by providing nutritious meals on a recurring basis for residents or visitors of the Central Fraser Valley, and by providing family and individual services ourselves as practical.

Thanks for a wonderful year.

To our volunteers - without you, we couldn't do all that we do.

To our sponsors - it is only because of such a great support system you've provided that we are able to give all that we do.

To our guests - you're part of our family, and it has been an honor to meet such great neighbors.

A very special thank you to Father Mark and the leadership at Saint Joacim and Ann Catholic Church for a great Christmas present - they have completely donated the old parish hall to us for our Monday night dinners, assuming all utility and maintenance costs and also provide us with a monthly donation.

Did you know that since April of 2004 -

- Over 8000 meals were served to families, individuals, and children
- 181 children received school supplies and school clothing.
- 14 people graduated, attended trade schools, or gotten new jobs.
- 20 people regularly receive social and spiritual mentoring.
- 202 families have received supplementary groceries.
- Hundreds of people receive prayer and spiritual support

Imagine what we could do with YOU on our team!

The services that we've provided include but have not been limited to:

Weekly Meals
Social Skill Building
Personal/Professional Skills Development
Elijah's Pantry
(supplemental food bank)
Clothing Exchange and Gift Programs
School Supply Program
Disseminate Community Information
Referral to community or government agencies
Encourage volunteerism among our contacts

Won't you please help us to continue providing these services to Central Fraser Valley people. There are MANY ways to become involved.

Thanks to our Sponsors

Countless Individuals ...
Tax Savers – Aldergrove
Aldergrove Adventist Church
Heather Newport, CPA
Boston Pizza Aldergrove
Boston Pizza Abbotsford
MTF Discount Warehouse
Aldergrove Vineyard Church
St. Joacim & Ann RC Church
Harvest Christian Fellowship
Universal Vision Optical
Pro-Med Mobility
CT Pallet Recycling
Red Robin – Langley
Fraser Valley Bakery
Hy-Lite Acrylic Blocks
Compuback Storage Solutions
The Cabbage Patch Country Market and Ice Cream Parlour

We'd love to see YOUR name here. Please call us to see how you can help make a difference in lives today.

May you have a blessed Christmas full of joy and peaceful tidings



Food for thought ...

86,400 - the number of seconds in a day. It's at least the number of times a day that God thinks about you and longs for a closer relationship with you. He can think about you all of the time, but **YOU** need to take one of those 86,400 seconds and call out to Him. Perhaps you've heard His call, perhaps not. It is more likely to be a gentle whisper in the wind than that of a thunderous boom. I can't answer it for you. Nobody can. I can only beg you - there will be a day when you will have 86,399 seconds and your life here will be over. In as much as nobody knows when they will draw their last breath, listen to and answer the whisper buried in the wind.

Love and Happy Holidays,

Kevin



Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? . . . you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of the streets to live in. - Isaiah 58:6-7, 12b

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? - James 2:14-16

