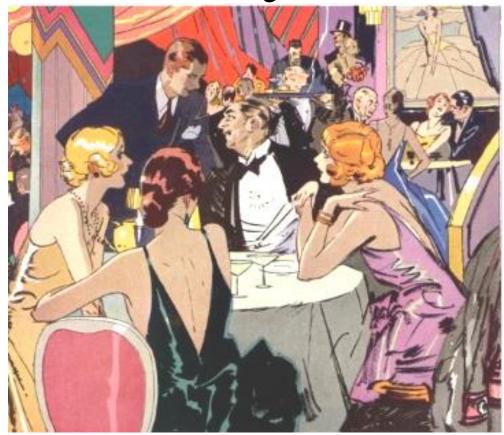
NORD-BRIDGE SENIORS

NEWSLETTER

January 2013



TAPPY NEW YEAR!

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PROGRAMS, COMMITTEES, CONVENERS, & **BOARD REPRESENTATIVES***

(* indicates individual on Board responsible for Program Area)

ADMIN. PROGRAMS

By-Laws & Policies Comm. Vacant* (Chair), Harry Fischer, Gordon Kometz, Judy Cartwright

Heather Newsham, Bob Bunn (Financial) Crafts Boutique Finance Committee Roberta Svennes * (Chair), Jim Hahn,

Clay Olsen, Frank Deane, Harry Fischer, Mike Bennett, Bob Bunn

Memberships Shirley Trefan Kathy Filkowski (Production)

Newsletter Bob Bunn (Sales)

Nominations Committee Harry Fischer * (Chair), Mary Potvin,

Clay Olsen, Dan Deringer

Seniors Helping Seniors Prog. Harry Fischer, Norene Easthope CARDS & BOARD GAMES Rodney Foster*, Board Rep

Contract Bridge Kathy Ludwig

Mike Bennett, Vi Segouin Crib

Rodney Foster Euchre Military Whist Ruth Balogh

Trump Whist Marilyn Saunders, Pat Veres

Norwegian Whist Vi Segouin Scrabble Sheila Brust **Butch Olsen** Texas Hold'em

EDUCATION Elaine Molyneux *, Board Rep

Yosh Hattori Oil Painting Paper Tole Hazel Harvie Wood Carving Don Johnson Glenice Caffyn Watercolor Drawing Glenice Caffyn

Watercolor Club Sandy Baceda, Bea Crawford

Krafters Koffee Klub Jo-Ann Adams **Quilters Group** Marilyn Martens Nord-Bridge Card Crafters

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Harry Fischer

Steve King

Clay Olsen

Dan Deringer

Valerie Arkinstall

Valerie Arkinstall

Mike Bennett

Clay Olsen

David Ng

Randy Smith

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Eileen Sawatsky

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Lethbridge Family History Centre

Lethbridge Community Network

Judy Knox, Jack Simmons,

Pat Santa *, Board Rep

Harry Fischer *, Board Rep

Shirley Cavanaugh & Frances

Helen Gepneris, Blaine Hyggen

Paul White *. Board Rep

Theresa Spencer/Kathy Gill

Jim Scott (Volunteer Trainer)

Donna Takeda*, Board Rep

Eva Deringer*, Board Rep

Norene Irwin, Woody Neely

Janet Bobinec, Alice Strickland

Jerry Mikusek, Dave Bergen

Kathy Filkowski, Shirley Trefan

Bob Bunn *, Board Rep

Jim Hahn *, Board Rep

Clay Olsen, Harry Fischer

(Structure Under Review)

Mike Bennett, Clay Olsen

Harry Fischer, Mike Bennett

Jim Hahn, Roberta Svennes,

Harry Fischer, Randy Smith

Clay Olsen, Delores Bourk

Two year terms appointed by City

David Ng (and Alberta Health Svc)

David Ng, Sheila Brust, Allyn Mills

Vacant*, Board Rep

Lydia Prokop/Kathleen Boschman

Genealogy

Computer Training

Library Mind Joggers

FUNDRAISING GAMING

Casino Coordinator

In-House Bingo Coordinators

Monday Jam Draws Winners Bingo Rep/Co-ord Winners Bingo Alternate **HEALTH & FITNESS** Keep Fit Classes

Tai Chi Yoga/Pilates

Fitball/Exercise With Arthritis

Zumba

Fitness 55 Club **OUTREACH**

Bereavement Cards

Get Well Cards & Visits Keep-in-Touch Program

Outreach Program

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES Decorations

Monday Music Jams Senior Music Makers

Socials Committee & Specials

Social Dance Clogging

Line Dancing A.M./P.M.

Handbells

SPORTS & RECREATION

Bocce

Carpet Bowling Darts

Dragon Boat Team Floor Curling

Golf

Pool Shuffleboard

Table Tennis

Tournament Awards Luncheon

TRAVEL

Travel Trip Bookings

Bus Bookings

Driver Co-ordination —Travel Trips

Driver Co-ordination — Card Trips Vehicle (Bus 2) Maintenance

VOLUNTEERISM

Building Set-up Volunteers Volunteer Committee

AFFILIATIONS

ACA Representative Alberta 55 Plus

Economic Development Leth. Health Education Presentations Lethbridge Seniors Forum N-B Income Tax Program

SASCC (Srs. Centre Coalition)

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New Horizons for Seniors Program

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MEMBERSHIP: OPEN TO ALL SENIORS AGE 55 PLUS. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP: TO YOUNGER INDIVIDUALS WHOSE SPOUSE IS 55 AND A MEMBER.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy New Year! 2012 was a great year at Nord-Bridge Centre. On the membership side we saw our membership climb to 1,289, just short of our goal of 1,300. We are averaging (registered) 210 visits to our Centre each day. However, this number does not capture all of our guests, especially those who use the Center outside of our regular hours for rentals and programming. On the financial side – we are keeping our



head just above water while we continue our quest for finding a solution to our continuing core funding problem. Hopefully, 2013 will bring results!

Nord-Bridge was instrumental in the formation of the provincial organization "Alberta Association of Senior Centres". In December, Randy attended their first Strategic Planning Session. Not surprising. the number one issue facing all centres in Alberta is the issue of core funding. So - we are not alone. This issue needs to be addressed by the Province, and soon. Talk to your elected representatives, they are aware of our problem.

Nord-Bridge Centre has just been notified that our FCSS funding for 2013 has been cut by \$10,000 from last year. This funding cut is difficult to accept when our membership is growing and demanding more services. Every morning, afternoon and evening (except the occasional Wednesday evening) Nord-Bridge Centre is booked for programming. We are told that eligibility rules exclude some of our programming. The question then becomes – which programs do we cut? Or, do we seek eligibility rule changes in order to qualify FCSS funds? I am looking forward to not only the challenges but the continued support and growth of our "Friendly Centre"!

Remember - Keep Active and Stay Connected!

Sincerely, Jim Hahn, President

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Barb Githmark Charles Wakelen Betty Walstra Sharon Halcro Henry Gretzinger Lesley Villeneuve Stella Whitt Don White Murielle Nikles Les Marles Alice Sibbet Erika Miller

We hope you enjoy your association with "the Friendly Centre"

Nord-Bridge Meetings Reminder

Each Month

Outreach Committee First Monday 9:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Winners Bingo Committee Second Tuesday Board of Directors Meeting Second Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Finance Committee Last Thursday 9:00 a.m. First Wednesday **Executive Meeting** 9:30 a.m. Annually Annual General Meeting First Wed of March 9:30 a.m. General Member Meeting First Wed of November 9:30 a.m.

Go Seniors Society

Regular Board Meetings Feb., April, June, October

Annually
Annual General Meeting

Second Tuesday

9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m

First Tuesday of April

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Valentine's Luncheon Friday, Februay 8th

Limited seating. Don't be disappointed. Ω Get your ticket early. Tickets are \$10.00 each and will be available January 8, 2013 at the Reception Desk.



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pletalks

Join the conversation in our new series of community talks on health topics. Our series begins with the discussions about dementia, in recognition of Alzheimer Awareness Month.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

Health services supports for individuals with dementia

GUEST SPEAKERS: Colin Zieber, Jay Barton & Jackie Poncelet of AHS South Zone

LOCATION: Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre 1904-13 Avenue N, Lethbridge

Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 10:30 a.m.

> Treatments of Alzheimer dementia: are we making progress?

Dr. Roland Ikuta. Senior Medical Director, Seniors Health, AHS South Zone

Lethbridge Senior LOCATION: Citizens Organization, Room A, 500-11 Street S, Lethbridge

Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 10:30 a.m.

Living with Dementia: Supporting the person while encouraging independence

Pam Janzen & Tanya Howe, daughter and partner in care

Lethbridge Senior Citizens Organization, Room A, 500-11 Street S, Lethbridge

All talks are free; refreshments will be served.

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EVERY WEDNESDAY - ROLL & STROLL



Start the New Year with an enjoyable, requ-WALKING // lar exercise routine. Each Wednesday, rain **ELLNESS** or snow or shine, our bus will drive you to a walking excursion. Weather permitting, the

walk will be outside. In bad weather, we'll go to the Park Place Mall or Walmart to walk inside. The cost is just \$4.00.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Greetings Members;

I am writing this article at the conclusion of a significant year in the history and accomplishments for your Association. As I reflect upon 2012, **some** of the memorable highlights include:



- We have had a net member increase of 1.5% for the year. We ended 2012 with 1,289 members. This includes over 200 new members who joined throughout 2012. nately, we lost 61 good friends., through death.
- Attendance at your Centre totaled 51,721 "signed-in" visits. This does not include members or guests who forgot to register, or those who entered via the South West (Rear) Entrance, and failed to attend the book at the Front Desk. It also does not include individuals who attend weekly N-B evening programs in the Multi-Purpose or Community Rooms; or the thousands who attend weddings, community events, and other rentals within our Centre.
- We offered a variety of preventative, recreational, leisure, and socialization programs within Nord-Bridge over the year. These activities help maintain well-being and reduce senior isolation. Sixty-three (63) programs were offered during the period Jan-June; sixty-four (64) during Sept-Dec.
- Sixty-nine (69) day trip travel programs highlighted 2012.
- Our Outreach program held 9 major events, total attendance was 870, a decrease of 25% from 2011. However, the decrease can be explained by bad winter weather during two events, 9 events in 2012 rather than 10 events in 2011, and the closure of the Carmangay Centre.
- We organized numerous, very successful fundraising events.
- And, we successfully bid to co-host the 2013 Alberta Seniors Services "Grey Matters" Conference.



I am now privileged to take a holiday break to DISNEYLAND with my entire family. I hope all of you will get to spend time with your loved ones over the holidays.

Happy New Year to all of you! I wish you all the best for 2013 and look forward to another busy year working with and for you.

Respectfully, Randy Smith

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LEARN More: Signs & Symptoms of Elder Abuse

Elder Abuse has a serious effect on victims, their friends and families. Not only that, the effects reach even farther to the community agencies that provide services to victims, police officers that respond and health care systems that provide care. Community impact is great. However, with early intervention, education and prevention, not only will the severity and number of cases of elder abuse decrease, by extension, so will the impact on community resources. Key to early intervention is early identification. Here are some signs and symptoms that may be exhibited by an abused older adult:

Unexplained injuries and/or bruising
Unusual changes in behaviour, personality or demeanor

Fear of certain people or potential events Unpaid bills, older adult is unable to afford items, even though income should be sufficient

Sudden change in lifestyle or living arrangements

Emotional distress and/or depression

Social or physical isolation

Lack of appropriate medical care or medication.

Poor hygiene

Many of these signs are symptoms can also indicate other illnesses or problems in an older adult's life, and their presence may not always indicate that abuse is occurring. Recognizing Elder Abuse is not simple, and there are assessment tools used by professionals to determine abuse risk level and to determine if a person is being abused. By being able to recognize possible signs of abuse, older adults are better equipped to notice when something may be affecting a family member or friend, the first step in recognizing abuse. If that information is reported a professional assessment can occur and early intervention can begin.

If you notice any of these signs and symptoms in an older person, I encourage you to contact the Lethbridge Elder Abuse Response Net-

Jennifer Payne, LEARN Coordinator 403-394-0306 <u>learn@lethseniors.com</u> Meeting Room E, 2nd Floor, LSCO Mon to Fri 8am – 4pm

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LUNCH WITH CITY REPRESENTATIVES



Tues. Jan. 8th

Jan. 11th

Fri.



Fri. Jan. 18th

Alderman Ryan Parker

Alderman **Bridget Mearns**

Alderman **Jeff Coffman**

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Programmer's Report by David Ng

Happy New Year to everyone! I trust everyone had a great holiday and enjoyed time with family and friends. I enjoyed Christmas with my kids and family. It is truly amazing to see the magical look in your kids eyes when they see what Santa brought them on Christmas morning.

I would like to highlight our daily card programs. We play a different type of cards every afternoon! Be sure to check all of them out as we have a card game for almost everyone. From Whist, Euchre, Bridge, and Crib to Texas Hold'em.

Most of our registered programs are almost full for the Winter Session. If you are interested in any of these classes please be sure to stop by the front desk to register.

January is a great time to come and check out our Fitness 55 Room. Every Wednesday from 9:00 am - noon Jim Scott (Personal Trainer) will be available to orientate new members to fitness equipment and exercise safety.

Unfortunately we are unable to offer you the "first Wednesday breakfast buffet" in January. Due to the way the holidays fell this year, the logistics of offering the buffet presented too many inefficiencies with food and staffing. However, we will offer it again on February 6th and in each subsequent month.

I hope many of you will attend the "Apple Talks" presentation "Health Services Supports for Individuals with Dementia" on January 22, at 10:30 a.m. in our Dunford Diner Annex. January is Alzheimer Awareness month. It would be good for all of us to learn more about this health issue that affects seniors. See the "Apple Talks" ad on Page 4 of this Newsletter for more information about this presentation and two others that will be presented on January 23 and January 30 at the L.S.C.O.

David

FROM THE DESK OF VAL

With the festive season behind us we now welcome a brand **NEW YEAR—2013.** Last year brought a major lifestyle change to my family when in February my Mom decided to move into a lodge. She felt that being closer to others during the days and regular pre-



pared meals would be beneficial to her health and wellbeing. Her very responsible and logical decision was also good for me as it makes me feel so much better knowing that she is in good hands and help is always near by should she need it. Now Mom is enjoying better health and enjoying life more than before.

Here, at the Centre the year was amazing, awesome and **BUSY**! In June I welcomed a new, very helpful and senior friendly assistant, Heather Belle who helps me in so many ways. I also continued to work with many **dedicated VOLUNTEERS**. Thanks to everyone for your much needed help.

The travel program went well thanks to all my great drivers. We miss driver Linda Liptak who moved to Red Deer so that means we just have to **RECRUIT NEW DRIV-ERS in 2013**.

Our Outreach Committee also deserves a BIG
THANK YOU. Our bake sale held recently was a HUGE
SUCCESS AND TOPS ALL PAST YEARS totalling \$2,625,
including donations. The Committee works really hard for
each event and at various annual fundraisers. Thanks to
the members who took time to call the membership reminding them to bake and to come and buy. A little phone call
really helps. For all those who gave donations, **THANK**YOU for supporting this very worthwhile program.

Valerie

Friday Lunch Specials \$6.00

Fish & Chips with Coleslaw ...plus...

Jan. 4 Veal Cutlet, Mashed Potatoes & Veggies

Jan. 11 Hot Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes & Veggies

Jan. 18 Chicken Parmesan, Roasted Potatoes & Salad

Jan. 25 Chicken & Ribs, Rice & Fruit Cocktail



NEXT
All You Can Eat
Breakfast Buffet
Wed., Feb. 6th
\$6.00



NORD-BRIDGE SENIORS CENTRE



IN-HOUSE BINGO Friday Afternoon

- BonanzaPre-call 1:00 pm
- Games Start 1:30 pm
- Regular Book \$5.00
- 3 Extra Games \$1.00 each

Pay Outs & the number of regular players continue to grow!

Transportation is available for members; \$2.50 each way. Phone Front Desk at least one day ahead at 329-3222 to confirm.

WIN CA\$H AT NORD-BRIDGE! DAILY 50/50 DRAW

Nord-Bridge hosts a Daily 50/50 Draw to help raise much needed funds. Half of the proceeds go to the Centre.

IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE YOU MUST:

- 1. Hold a current REGULAR, ASSOCIATE or LIFE Membership.
- 2. Cost to play is 25¢
- 3. Draws will be made at 12:15 p.m.
- 4. After the draw, members may sign-in for the next day's draw.





RECENT WINNERS

Stan Kosolofski \$210.00 Dec. 3 Kathy Machacek \$59.50 Dec. 9

MONTHLY 50/50 Toonie Draw

Nord-Bridge holds a "Monthly 50/50 Toonie Draw" on the third or fourth Friday of each month. Members do not have to be present

to win. The Nord-Bridge share of proceeds is dedicated to Programming. TO PLAY: 1. Fill out an envelope for the draw at the draw desk in the Dunford Diner.



- 2. Drop a Toonie into the envelope and deposit it into the Draw Box.
- 3. Come out to lunch on "draw day" to see if you are the winner. The more times you enter, the more chances you have of winning!

DECEMBER WINNER... Shirley Cavanaugh \$175.00 Next Draw January 24, 2013

SOUND SYSTEM DRAW

Proceeds of Monday Jam draws are earmarked to assist with sound system and AV costs in the building.



50/50 WINNERS

Thanks Jammers, Volunteers and Patrons. Thanks also to Helen Gepneris & Blaine Hyggen for selling tickets for weekly Jam draws.

Dec. 5 Dec. 10 Doreen Jurgens \$50 Rob Randa \$51 Anne Watson \$54 Dec. 17 Dec. 27 Iva Thiessen \$60

Jill Stewart \$50 Floyd Sillato \$51 Mike Bennett \$54



NORD-BRIDGE BUILDING FUND

RECENT INDIVIDUAL, GROUP & CORPORATE DONORS MINDJOGGERS \$200.00

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DONNA FARKAS \$100 ANDREW ALM \$1,200 FLORENCE ZIMMER \$100 CLARA BLUST \$100

NORD-BRIDGE IN-HOUSE BINGO

Cumulative proceeds from Jan 1, 2012 Through Dec. 28, 2012: \$ 19,056



BUILDING FUND UPDATE:	Goal	Achieved			
Total Fund-Raising Goal	\$6,250,000				
From City of Lethbridge	750,000	82%			
From Various Provincial Grants	2,500,000	66%			
From Various Federal Grants	500,000	7%			
From Nord-Bridge					
- by Fundraising	2,500,000	78%			
Total Contributions to our					
Building Fund 1998 through	\$ 1,952,416				
Still needed by N-B Fundraisi	\$ 547,584				

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DARTS NEWS by Ken Bobinec, Convener

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

On November 28 the qualifying playoffs for the Zone 1, 2013 Provincial Winter Games were held. The results: MEN'S 55+: GOLD - Gary Pelland; SILVER - Bill McTighe; MEN'S 70+: GOLD - Glen Barry; SILVER - Ken Bobinec.

WOMEN'S 55+: GOLD - Dianne Pelland; SILVER - Bernice Carrier. WOMEN'S 70+: GOLD - Iva Thiessen; SILVER - Janet Bobinec; BRONZE - Alice Strickland. The In-house tournament for DOUBLES was held in December and the winners are: GOLD - Eva Deringer & Bill McTighe; SILVER - Verna Penner & Ken Bobinec; BRONZE - Iva Thiessen & Alice Strickland.

I hope to see everyone at "DARTS" in the new year!



January 2013

Wednesday





NEW YEAR'S DAY JANUARY 1

ENTRE CLOSED 7013

9:30 Carpet Bowling 10:00 Roll & Stroll 1:00 Darts/Euchre



10:00 Floor Curling 1:00 Trump Whist 1:00 Woodcarving

Thursday

1:00 Bridge 7:00 Table Tennis 1:15 Crib



9:30 Carpet Bowling

1:00 In-House Bingo

Friday

10:00 Floor Curling 10:00 Jammers 1:00 Bridge



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9:00 Shuffleboard 10:00 Music Makers 10:15 Keep Fit Aerobic 1:00 Texas Hold'em 1:00 Norwegian Whist

1:30 SCRABBLE



9 8:30 Dr. Bolokoski

FOOT CARE By appointment 9:30 Carpet Bowling 10:00 Paper Tole 10:00 Roll & Stroll

1:00 Darts/Euchre 1:00 Krafters/Quilting 3:00 ADVANTAGE



HEARING By appointment

9:00 Card Crafters 9:30 Mind Joggers

10:00 Floor Curling 1:00 Trump Whist

1:00 Woodcarving 1:30 Keep Fit Str. & Flex

5:20 Zumba

7:00 Table Tennis

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9:00 LEGAL CONSULTATIONS By appointment

9:30 Carpet Bowling

10:30 Paper Tole

1:00 In-House Bingo

1:00 Bridge 1:15 Crib

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9:00 Yoga 10:00 Floor Curling

10:00 Jammers

1:00 Bridge

1:30 Military Whist

1:30 Hand Bells

3:00 Fitball

15

9:00 Shuffleboard 10:00 Music Makers

10:00 & 11:00 Clogging

10:15 Keep Fit Aerobic

10:45 WINNERS BINGO

1:00 Texas Hold'em

1:00 Norwegian Whist

1:30 SCRABBLE

3:00 Arthritis Exercise 7:00 Social Line Dance

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8:20 Yoga

9:30 Carpet Bowling 10:00 Paper Tole

10:00 Roll & Stroll

10:45 WINNERS BINGO

11:30 Line Dancing 1:00 Darts/Euchre

1:00 Krafters/Quilting

3:00 Fitball

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9:00 & 1:00 Oil Painting

9:00 Card Crafters

9:30 Mind Joggers

10:00 Floor Curling

1:00 Trump Whist

1:00 Woodcarving

1:30 Keep Fit Str. & Flex

5:20 Zumba

7:00 Table Tennis

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9:00 Yoga/Pilates

9:30 Carpet Bowling

10:30 Paper Tole

1:00 In-House Bingo

1:00 Bridge 1:15 Crib



21	22	23	24	25
9:00 Yoga	9:00 Shuffleboard	8:20 Yoga	9:00 & 1:00 Oil Painting	9:00 Yoga/Pilates
10:00 Floor Curling	10:00 Music Makers	9:30 Carpet Bowling	9:00 Card Crafters	9:30 Carpet Bowling
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New Beginnings!	1:00 Norwegian Whist		1:00 Woodcarving	1:15 Crib
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- JENNIFER PAYNE, ELDER ABUSE 4TH THURS. OF EACH MONTH AT 10
- FRIENDLY SHOPPERS PROGRAM FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH (CALL Val at 403-329-3222 TO ARRANGE)
- NEW YEAR'S DAY 2013 TUES. JAN. 1 CENTRE CLOSED
- YATES THEATER "TIDINGS" -THURS., JAN. 3
- ADVANTAGE HEARING WED., JAN. 9 (by appointment)
- DR. BOLOKOSKI FOOT CARE WED., JAN. 9 (by appointment)

- COFFEE WITH A CONSTABLE WED., JAN. 9, 10 a.m.
- LOCAL "LUNCH & MOVIE MILL" -THURS., JAN. 10
- FREE LEGAL CONSULTATIONS FRI., JAN. 11 (by appointment)
- LOCAL CASINO TRIP TUES., JAN. 15
- OUTREACH MON., JAN. 21 "NEW BEGINNINGS" 1:30 p.m.
- "APPLE TALKS' ALZHEIMER SUPPORTS PRESENTATION-TUES., JAN. 22 IN THE DUNFORD DINER ANNEX. FREE SNACKS AND COFFEE
- WINNERS BINGO JANUARY 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30





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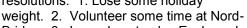
and other matters as you may require. Nord-Bridge offers this service through

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Contact the Front Desk to schedule an appointment. Phone: (403)329-3222

Rodney Foster, Convener What a great Christmas and New Year's Eve. Now, to start on your New Year's resolutions: 1. Lose some holiday



Bridge. 3. Learn how to play Euchre. Just a few ideas or your can make up some of your own. We meet for Euchre on Wednesdays at 1 o'clock; come on out and meet some really nice people. Stay for coffee or tea and conversation after cards. We hope to meet you soon!

P.S. Remember the year on your cheques is "2013". P.S.S. Remember to smile, we are the "Friendly" Centre

Rodney Foster

Did You Know?

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NORD-BRIDGE SENIORS FITNESS 55 CLUB

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Nord-Bridge membership, plus a special user fee is applicable. Fees have been approved by the Board as follows:

> Annual Pass - \$180 **Monthly Pass - \$18** 20 Visit Pass - \$25

There is also a \$10 refundable deposit on the electronic access key fob.

Meet with Jim Scott, Certified Personal Trainer Wednesday mornings, for safe training tips and motivational goal setting advice.



Lethbridge, Alberta

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NORD-BRIDGE 2012 AGM & BOARD ELECTION Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 9:30 a.m. **Nominations Notice for Board** & Executive Positions

At the Association's upcoming Annual General Meeting, scheduled for March 6, 2013, 9:30 am, the membership of Nord-Bridge will be asked to elect a new Executive. This occurs annually.

In addition, at least 5 Board members will be elected at this year's AGM. (Two [2] of the five [5] Directors will be elected to fill current vacancies on the Board)

By-laws relating to Nord-Bridge's annual elections state: Executive Nominees - Excepting for the Past President, all Executive Officer positions are elected annually, for a 1 year term. To qualify for Executive positions, members must have served on the most recent Board, and have been a Director for a period of at least one year. (see By-Law Items 7.2 and 7.2.3) in the Library.) Board Nominees - must be members in "good standing". No length of membership is specified. (per By-Law Item 7.1.4).

To read move about our elections, see the By-Laws available within the Library or at the Front Desk.

If you are interested in serving on the Board or Executive, please complete a "Nomination Form" to be available at the Front Desk by January 18, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. Nominations close Friday, February 15, 2013 at 4:30 pm. Questions can be directed to Nominations Chair, Harry Fischer

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Brad Lindsay, BC-HIS Registered Hearing Aid Practitioner

OUTREACH REPORT by Mary Potvin

Our December social was very well attended by 110 guests. Entertainment was provided by the Nord-Bridge "Music Makers" and our Nord-Bridge "Hand Bells" group; and, special quests Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus. We awarded the "12 Days of Christmas" prizes as well as a gingerbread Christmas tree donated by Diane Smith and a lovely white poinsettia donated by Bud & Cheryl Hodgson. The Christmas Centerpiece Raffle was won by Rob Randa and Irene Jones. A big "Thank You" to everyone who bought tickets. We made \$99.50 which we'll put to good use. Very special thanks is extended to our 19 volunteers who work so hard during every one of our functions. They are the people who set up the tables and chairs, greet our guests, prepare the lunch treats, serve and clean-up. It's a big job and their work is critical to our program.



In expressing our Christmas spirit, the Outreach Committee donated money and a decorated Christmas tree to a deserving family through the Interfaith Food Bank. Join us at our next event, "New Begin-

nings", on Monday, January 21, at 1:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by **Jill Melody.** See you there!

GET WELL WISHES WENT OUT TO ...

.....Sandy Fischer (detached retina), Maxine Sheen, Jean Geiger, Pat Westcott (toe surgery) and Andy Alm. Maxine had a bad head first fall, and Andy has a medication problem. Our visiting angel, Lydia, said



that both are doing well so we hope they will be home by the start of the new year. Juliette Terleski is doing well in the St. Michael's parp program.



CONDOLENCES WENT OUT TO ...

...the Enander family - loss of Ken who passed away suddenly with apparent heart attack; the family of Pearl Graveland a new member; and the Kinsey family on the loss of Roy.

Our thoughts go out to all who have lost a loved one. Try to include these individuals in your daily activities.

MIND JOGGERS - Judith A. Knox

Our program resumes on Jan. 10th minus a few members who are enjoying the sun south of the border. They will return with the spring thaw. Lucky Canucks! We would like to welcome the new members of Nord-Bridge. Please accept our offer to come to the Craft Room, to listen to talented people present their feelings through poems and stories. The Mind Joggers wish all our fellow members a year filled with lots of fun which Nord-Bridge offers.

The "Mind Joggers" writing group meets weekly in our Craft Room on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. This friendly drop-in program will offer encouragement and support so that you can start writing about your memories.

Notice to Members



Annual General Meeting Wednesday, March 6, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. **Multi-Purpose Hall**

Only certain programs and areas of Nord-Bridge will be open during the AGM. These include:

- The Dunford Dining Room
- Nord Bridge Fitness 55 Plus Club/Room
- And naturally, our commercial tenants' stores

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Alberta Health – Seniors Services and Continuing Care Division

Effective immediately: Anyone seeking information on programs and services may help themselves to the printed materials on display in our office located within the Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre at 1904 - 13 Avenue North. You may also visit the government website www.health.alberta.ca. Alberta Health (management) has advised they will no longer provide walk-in service or appointments. Direct all calls to the Alberta Supports Call Centre at 1-877-644-9992. All mail should be sent directly to, Alberta Health - Seniors Services, Box 3100, Station Main, Edmonton, AB T1J 4W3.



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FLOOR CURLING by Alice & Janet

Te enjoyed a really good tournament this year; ten teams participated. Here are the results:

GOLD Clay Olsen Butch Olsen Nadine Taylor Bill McTighe

SILVER Ken Bobenic Janet Bobenic Ash Adams Art Giilbert

BRONZE Harold Moore Len Hutchinson **Audrey Gillies** Floyd Irwin

ry something new for 2013. Everyone is welcome to come and play Floor Curling on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. It's fun and you meet new people.



Social Activities by Eva Deringer

A sold out luncheon on Dec. 14th was a very "Merry Christmas" event. A total of 144 diners and about 26 volunteers enjoyed a turkey feast, including black forest cake dessert. Yvonne Nelson played Christmas music on piano. President Jim Hahn and V.P. Pat Santa welcomed everyone and extended Season's Greetings. Guests bearing gifts included: MLA Greg Weadick (poinsettias); Alderman Bridget Mearns (boxed cookies courtesy of MLA Bridget Pastoor); and Dawn Vickers, Elder Abuse Rep. (calendars). Nord-Bridge provided four little potted Christmas trees and 4 other donated door prizes thanks to the efforts of Val Arkinstall. The program was lively and the turkey was served merrily by our volunteers and special guests. Our kitchen staff went over and above expectations, serving us a beautiful fresh dinner. Everything was juicy and delicious, and prepared with a special touch. Our 26 volunteers also worked hard to serve and clean up all the many, many, dishes, trays, utensils and more that a function like this requires. I sincerely thank every one of your for your hard work and commitment.

Happy New Year to All

GO Friendly Shuttle

TO CONFIRM OR CANCEL A PICK-UP, CALL 403-329-3222 at least one day prior. <u>BE READY and BE PATIENT.</u> If you are not ready when the bus arrives, you will have to find another ride to the Centre. The Driver will be unable to return due to his schedule. The cost is \$2.50 per one-way trip (Cash); or use your "Breeze Card".





TRAVEL NEWS 🛰 🚗 🛭



PLEASE NOTE: ALL NON-MEMBERS must pay an additional \$10 for all Nord-Bridge trips.



Tuesday, January 15, 2013 LOCAL CASINO OUTING

Cost: \$8.00 Bus departs Centre at 10:00 a.m. SHARP!

THURSDAY, January 10, 2013 Local Movie Mill Outing & Lunch at Nord-Bridge

COST: \$15 (Includes bus & part lunch) Beat the January blues and sign up. If no suitable movies, we will go on a mystery trip.



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TRAVEL NOTES

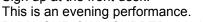
Short outings went to Broxburn to see the Christmas decorations and to the U of L Theatre to see "The Nutcracker" with positive comments.

Thanks to drivers, Butch, Mike and Alden for your time on these trips. Once again we had 2 successful local light tours. Thanks to the Olsen bothers for driving for these trips. Thanks also to all the other drivers that have volunteered their time in 2012. We appreciate each and everyone of you very much.

Thursday, January 3, 2013 "TIDING

"TIDINGS" at the Yates

A live music/comedy performance with superb local talent. COST: \$25 (includes transportation & show)
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We are now taking on line bookings for Red Arrow. If anyone needs to go to Calgary or places north, please stop by the front desk to see Val or Heather and we can book your ticket. Red

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NEW—Rocky Desert Tours

An exciting trip to LAS VEGAS - March 9-17, 2013 COST: \$399 (dbl. occ.) or \$559 (single)

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If we get 40 or more, Nord-Bridge will receive a commission of \$50/person.

PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT THIS TRIP

AND HELP ME FILL UP THE BUS.

(Cheques payable to Rocky Desert Tours)

STAGE WEST SHOW—Date to be announced. Watch for sign up sheet in January for the April/May musical, "Chicago" at Calgary's Stage West Dinner Theatre. A deposit will be required when you sign up.



Triple D Tours

April 2013—China September 2013—Deadwood, S.D. October 2013—Spokane Shopping Trip December 2013—Cross Iron Mills Mall & Lights

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Triple D Tours 403-394-0349
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Memories

By Edward L. Sillito for the Mind Joggers

I believe this is my eighty third year. I can't remember the exact year I was built, but I'm sure I'm at least eighty years old. Although I was once considered sound, sturdy and strong, I admit that structurally I've developed a few flaws. My roof has begun to sag and my shingles are old, with a few missing. I leak during prolonged rainstorms and these leaks have caused dry-rot within my walls, some of which have begun to crack. Inside my paint is peeling, and almost every board in every room creaks when anyone walks on them. As a result of all this deterioration, they have brought upon me the ultimate shame a structure can suffer. They have considered me a hazard and condemned me. Tomorrow I will be destroyed.

While I await my inevitable fate, I remember all the families I have cradled within my walls. I have witnessed the miracle of birth, and the tragedy of death. I have felt the warmth of love, and cried at the termination of that same love. I've gone through a dozen personalities as each tenant tried to make me a part of them. I have heard the laughter of countless children, and watched in awe at the ability of a mother to quiet and console them when they

Dawn! My time has come. Does anyone care? Will anvone miss me? I wonder if they realize that It's not just

wood, plaster and concrete they destroy. It's memories.

feel pain. I'll miss all this.



NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR PRIME MINISTER'S **VOLUNTEER AWARDS**

Nominations are now open for the Prime Minister's Volunteer Awards. a program recognizing the contributions of volunteers, businesses and

not-for-profit organizations that help make our communities stronger. Nominations will close March 1, 2013.

Our Government is proud of all the Canadians whose voluntary work enriches our communities and exemplifies all that makes Canada such a great country.

The award features regional and national components, with the regional component recognizing individual volunteers or groups of volunteers, businesses and not-for-profit organizations. The national component, divided into two categories, recognizes lifelong achievement and new volunteers.

Award recipients will be honoured at an award ceremony, and can identify an eligible not-for-profit organization to receive a grant for \$5,000 (regional award) or \$10,000 (national award). For further information and to access the online nomination form visit www.pm.gc.ca/awards.

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