

Boutique Manager, Heather Newsham, reported the best year ever in 2016, grossing sales of \$12,952. She joins the Nord-Bridge Board of Directors and staff in thanking her dedicated volunteers for their help in reaching a new milestone. Missing are Heather, Alyce, Trina, Geri, Mary C, and Bill.

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CARDS & BOARD GAMES

Contract Bridge Crib Euchre Military Whist Trump Whist Norwegian Whist Scrabble Texas Hold'em

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Acrylic Painting Paper Tole Wood Carving Watercolor Watercolor Club Krafters Koffee Klub Quilters Group Nord-Bridge Card Crafters Spanish for Travelers Librarv Mind Joggers

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NEW MEMBERSHIPS \$53.00 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS \$50.00

FUNDRAISING

GAMING

Casino Coordinator In-House Bingo Coordinator 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

SPORTS & RECREATION Bocce

Carpet Bowling Darts Dragon Boat Team Floor Curling Floor Shuffleboard Golf Pool Shuffleboard **Table Tennis**

TRAVEI

Travel Trip Bookings Bus Bookings Driver Co-ordination - Travel Driver Co-ordination - Cards Vehicle (Bus 2) Maintenance

VOLUNTEERISM

Building Set-up Volunteers Volunteer Committee

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

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Old Favourites (6) a music and comedy revue staged at the Yates Theatre in February, was a great success. I want to thank all our volunteers, members who attended, sponsors, and the performers, for a great fundraiser. My biggest thanks goes to Jim Hahn, who organized the event. I hope everyone had as good a time as I did. This is the most important fund raiser for Nord-Bridge in 2017 and it did not disappoint.



Our next production the **"Roaring 20's Show" featuring Richard & Debra Popovich** will take place on May 23, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in our Multi-Purpose Hall. Tickets are on sale now. They are \$10.00 each. Many thanks to Generations and Lethbridge Hearing Centre our event sponsors for supporting this show.

We will continue to sell **Miner's Raffle Tickets** until the draw at the **Miner's Memorial Banquet on May 1, 2017.** Tickets are available in our Gift Boutique and from various volunteers and Board Members.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on March 1, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. Please try to attend. At this meeting members will be asked to elect four new Board Members, so your attendance is important to us. This year's AGM will mark the beginning of my third year as your President. I have really enjoyed this responsibility and want to thank Nord-Bridge members for their trust in me. I look forward to working with our new Board members and I hope they find volunteering on the Board as interesting as I do.

Our Board continues to work with Consultant, Bruce Thurston and Dawn Vickers, from the City of Lethbridge. Having completed an Organizational Review, we are now focused on formulating a **Strategic Plan** for the future direction and growth of the Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre. We thank them for their help. I plan to be at Nord-Bridge every Friday morning if you want to talk or share ideas.

Pat Santa, President

CARDS & BOARD GAMES

big note of thanks to all of our Conveners and Co-conveners who administered our 2016 programs so capably. Your support for the whole year was wonderful!



Woody Neely, Board Rep

FOR SHAW SUBSCRIBERS: We are pleased to announce that our building is equipped with Shaw) Go Shaw) Go WiFi. To connect at Nord-Bridge: Access the network / WiFi settings on 1. vour device. 2. Select ShawOpen from the list of networks. 3. Open your browser. 4. Sign-in using your @shaw.ca email address and password. Available here Any questions? Please call 1-888-472-2222 or visit http://www.shaw.ca/internet/wifi/.

This is a free service to Nord-Bridge provided by Shaw.

WELCOME, New Members? We[•]re *very* GLAD you[•]re here.

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| Richard Austin 😊 Arlene Litchfield |
| Linda Drain 😊 Shaun Ward |
| Patricia Birkett 😊 Nathalie Wilson |
| Judy Burton 😊 Marie Mawhinney |
| Anne Summers 😊 Gail Dippolito |
| Ann Vara 😊 Lydia Hammond |
| Loni Campbell 😊 Joan Hansen |
| Marion Goller 😊 Robert Hammel |
| Dianne Hammel 😊 Alvin Witt |
| Gwen Witt 😊 Ann Duncombe |
| Ray Yezovich 😊 Beverly Kiss |
| Trudy Curtis 😊 Rick Curtis |
| William Hutchinson 😊 Betty Hanson |
| Jeanne Gillis 😊 Bob Muhly |
| Donna Bartz 😊 Linda Real |
| R. Wes Real 😊 Robert Campbell |
| Sheryle Lind 😳 Gerald Lind |
| Laurie Brown 😊 Ken Perdue |
| Debbie Elliot 🙂 Betty Skonnord |
| Cecilia Koski 🙂 Gail Krysak |
| Ann Crighton 😊 Patricia Reichert |
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| We hope you enjoy your association with Nord-Bridge "The Friendly Centre" |
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Next FREE Test and Consultation Mar. 16th

NORD-BRIDGE SENIORS CENTRE 1904 - 13 AVENUE NORTH



IN-HOUSE BINGO

EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON (EXCEPT HOLIDAYS)

- Bonanza Pre-call 1:00 pm
- Games Start 1:30 pm
- Regular Book \$5.00

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LORRI'S CORNER

I am occasionally asked what my role is at Nord -Bridge as the "Member Support Coordinator". The short answer is I am here to assist you with transitions and events that occur in your life. Often, a conversation and having someone to listen and hear you is enough; other times it



may require connecting you to other agencies and services for more support. My goal is to help you live your best life in all areas.

Having said this, I do have a request to make of everyone. As mentioned, sometimes a conversation is all that is required to help provide clarity or direction to someone in need. Most times these conversations are not planned or scheduled, but a member comes into my office, sits down and shares their struggle with me. To people walking past, it may look like a social visit but please do not make that assumption.

I am asking everyone, for their consideration and cooperation, in order for me to provide member support, in confidence. If you see me with someone in my office, please, do not just walk in or walk through. Put yourself in their shoes and ask how you would feel if it was you sitting in the chair sharing something that is upsetting, confidential or concerning you. I try to maintain an open-door policy because I want to be accessible to all members of Nord-Bridge when they need support; and I would like to continue in this manner. However, if I have someone in my office, please be patient, and wait until I am free before entering the office.

NEWS: I want to share a few exciting things that are coming up soon at Nord-Bridge. Along with Mikaela Bolduc from the Alzheimer's Society and Chloe Kilkenny from AgeCare, I will be offering the nine-week **COMPASS for the Caregiver** course beginning March 21 at Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre. If you are currently a caregiver...this course is for you. During these weeks, we will assist you in your journey as a caregiver and help you with the balancing act of looking after your loved one AND looking after yourself. We will look at communication, managing stress and planning for the journey ahead while teaching ways you can keep yourself healthy. Please see me if you are interested in this course. Additionally, in conjunction with AgeCare, we are exploring additional assistance if your loved one is unable to be left alone while you are taking this course. Again, please come speak to me about this.

June 5-10 is Seniors Week and I am pleased to announce that on Saturday, June 10, we will be holding our first ever 55+ Women's Conference at Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, Multi-Purpose Hall. The theme of this conference is "Empowering Wellness in Women"! We are working now, to finalize the details to bring a dynamic group of presenters together and

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are very excited about those we have confirmed already! Please mark this Conference on your calendar and stay tuned for more information!

Lorri Penner, BSW, RSW Member Support Coordinator

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Greetings Members;

This Newsletter will be printed before our March 1, 2017 Annual General Meeting; and thus as you read the March Newsletter, some content will have changed. Specifically, the listing of Officers and Directors contained on the inside front cover, along with some of our



program Conveners will differ; and you will see these changes next month. I am taking this opportunity now, however, to specifically highlight our appreciation for those individuals whose term or service on the Board is ending. Specifically, I call your attention to the fact that Vice-President Rodger Halverson is not running in this AGM. Rodger has decided to return to the workforce, and has taken a pastoral appointment with a congregation here in southern Alberta. He is also a popular in-house Chaplin at one of the Funeral Homes in Lethbridge, and is expanding his role caring for the bereaved. Rodger will continue to serve as Chair of our Outreach Committee. We thank Rodger for his past service, and wish him well in his new duties. His contributions on our Board, and to our society and members has been significant. Other Board members retiring at this year's AGM include Doug Youngren. Doug started Nord-Bridge's Monday Jam program in 2001, and he has volunteered over numerous years, performing music at many events held at the Centre. Doug served on our Board as a Director for three years. We appreciate his past service, and fun personality. Member Donna Farkas is also retiring from the Board. Donna joined Nord-Bridge in 2001. She previously had a career as a Registered Nurse. Thus Donna has contributed with specific insight into health and care matters of seniors. I have often turned to Donna to attend meetings with myself and others, as we met with officials from the Chinook Health Region. I have also used her knowledge as a sounding board on health topics. Donna will remain on the Outreach Committee. Thank you Donna. Finally, Board member Woody Neely joined Nord-Bridge in 2003. He has been a key volunteer and participant in floor curling, carpet bowling, some cards, and other programs. Woody has been a keen volunteer at many of our meals and social events. He has a very good sense of humor, and is probably best known for his unbridled energy. It is hard to keep up with Woody as he jogs throughout the building. On the Board, Woody contributed knowledge and past experience in financial matters. I trust he will remain active in most of the items mentioned, and will continue to be an example of an active sen-



ior, and willing volunteer. Thanks Woody! Last month I provided a brief report on some of the items we learned from our October to December Membership Survey. One of the suggestions related to floor repairs and cleaning. We are still waiting to hear on a grant application for new carpeting, but I want to thank custodian Marco Escobar for

helping us address the floor cleaning issue in our Gym. I insert a photo here to call attention to a recent two day / weekend effort by Marco. Good job! The gym users might like to see the before and after photos posted as you enter this space.

Respectfully, Randy Smith

Nord-Bridge Meetings Reminder

| Each Month | | | | | |
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| Outreach Committee | First Monday | 9:30 a.m. | | | |
| Executive Meeting | First Wednesday | 9:30 a.m. | | | |
| Board of Directors Meeting | Second Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | | | |
| Finance Committee | Last Wednesday | 9:30 a.m. | | | |
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| Annually | | | | | |
| Annual General Meeting | First Wed. of March | 9:30 a.m. | | | |
| General Member Meeting | First Wed. of November | 9:30 a.m. | | | |
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| Regular Board Meetings | | | | | |
| Feb., April, June, October | Third Tuesday | 9:00 a.m. | | | |
| Annually | | | | | |
| Annual General Meeting | First Tuesday of April | 9:00 a.m. | | | |
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Social Report by Eva Deringer

Our Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre Valentine's Luncheon held on February 10, our first event of 2017 went off without a hitch, a grand start to our "2017 Social Calendar". A capacity crowd, many wearing red in honor of the occasion, were greeted at the door by Diane Bennett, Yvonne, on piano and President Pat Santa, our MC. Lethbridge East MLA, Maria Fitzpatrick, brought greetings from our provincial government. A delicious luncheon of salad, stuffed pork loin, veggies, dessert & beverages was lovingly served by our staff and volunteers. Our lucky door prize winners were: Heather Schmitt, tickets to the Old Favourites (6) show at the Yates; and Mae Pearson, winner of tickets to a Mardi Gras event at the German Canadian Club,

A lot of planning, organizing, and management goes into our social events. That work is shared by staff and volunteers. Their commitment and experience allow us to be successful in bringing these luncheons to you. I hope everyone is able to

attend at least one every year. I thank my special valentines including; Rodney, Doreen, Lois, John, Mike, Marie, Judy, Dianne, Diane, Woody, Yvonne, and Kathy. Last but not least, I thank our kitchen staff, Samantha, Gail, and Sally, pictured

here. Great job, gals!



RACHAEL HARDER MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

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2016 TRAVEL REPORT Travel Board Representative, George Berg

2016 was another successful year with a total of 520 riders. 33 trips were planned; unfortunately four were cancelled for lack of interest. Our small bus was used 23 times and the larger Carefree Express bus six times. We offered 10 Mystery Trips. A few of the most popular mystery trips were: The Coulee Brewery, Fire



Hall, Park Lake summer picnic, Magrath and Coaldale museums, and Hill Top Greenhouse. Other popular trips included: the Canmore Chocolate Factory, Cranbrook-St. Eugene golf and gamble trip, Falling Leaves scenic drive, Picture Butte Island, Rose Bud, Hillspring's Great Canadian Barn Dance, Waterton and the Broxburn Vegetable Café.

In 2016 we received commission cheques from Triple D Tours and from the Cranbrook Resort. Many thanks to members for going on these trips. Triple D Tours have since retired but we now have other travel partners (agencies that pay us a commission when our members book with them). With regret we had to disband our local casino runs and Roll 'n Stroll programs as they were not popular enough to cover the cost of transportation. Thanks to drivers George Berg, Clay Olsen, Jack Fox, Lucy Graham, Ron Freng and John Hanam for their volunteer commitment in 2016.

In 2017 we'll face increased admission prices and increases in vehicle costs. We consider "Travel" a critical program for seniors and anticipate a need for more Board support including fundraising. Please bring me your thoughts and suggestions.

From the Desk of Val

shoots poking through the mud.

Irish eyes will be smiling at you on Friday March 17. Try something fun that day like an ice cold green beer, or a trip to the casino; maybe a leprechaun will lead you to his pot of gold! SPRING begins on March 20 and I for one, will be looking for little green buds and mini green



Thanks to my volunteers for all your help last month. February was hectic with many membership, programming, travel and other contacts. I remind you to remain calm and patient when we get busy. Just deal with one customer at a time and give each one the attention they deserve. I warmly welcome all our many new members and hope you find us all friendly and helpful. We have lots of activities to offer including the **Dunford Diner** serving breakfast, lunch, and other yummy treats.

Our popular Mystery Trips are back! #1 will roll on Thursday, March 16th. #2 is already booked for Thursday, April 6th. All members should be aware that some of our trips are offered through travel agency partners; many, however, are offered through our own Nord-Bridge Travel Program. Travel Agency Partners are private companies that will pay us a commission if you book trips with them. You must mention Nord-Bridge when you book with those agencies so that we get our com-

mission for helping them with their advertising and promotion. Our own trips are designated by



our Nord-Bridge logo on trip posters or ads. Look for examples on Page 15 of this Newsletter, our Travel Page. I am currently looking for people interested in a shopping trip to Calgary, and a trip to the Brooks Dinosaur Provincial Park on June 22. I need to know if there is enough interest to proceed with these trips that have been suggested by members.

Have a great month!



Programmer's Report by David M^cNg

Are those preschool school kids you see and hear running around Nord-Bridge? Yes, yes they are. Nord-Bridge has partnered in a pilot program called Lethbridge Seniors' and Kids' Intergenerational Program

(L.-S.K.I.P) with Lethbridge Early Years Coalition, Lethbridge Sport Council and the Lethbridge Public Library. The pilot program runs for two 3-week sessions of one-hour each on



Tuesday mornings. The program will focus on socialization, physical activity and literacy in an effort to increase intergenerational connections. Nord-Bridge will recruit volunteers for this pilot program to play an active game with the child for the first 30 minutes, followed by a snack and then 20 minutes to read stories to the child. The first three-week session starts on Tuesday, March 28th at 9:00 am in Multi-Purpose Hall. If you are interested or would like more information please ask for me at the Reception Desk.

Another income tax season is upon us, and the core group of volunteers amaze me each year with the amount of time each person dedicates to help others file their taxes. Sheila, is now booking appointments. Stop by her desk located in the main corridor Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 4:00 pm or call 403-329-3222 to book an appointment.

On March 17th follow the rainbow to the 'Pot of Gold' in the Dunford Diner. John King will be performing Irish, Celtic and Maritime music from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The kitchen will have Irish themed dishes, and in keeping with the Irish theme, we will be serving beer on this day. There will be draws to win prizes so be sure to wear green to bring you the luck of the Irish. For more information please check the posters displayed around the building.

Program Cancellations for March:

March 1st: Paper Tole, Carpet Bowling and Line Dancing; March 6th: Darts; and March 10th: Carpet Bowling

David



LIKE TO PLAY DARTS?

If the answer is yes, come join us in the Multi-Purpose Hall, Monday and Wednesday afternoons at 1 p.m. Just for fun, of course!

Bill Lelievre, Convener

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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. Members may enter for other members and you do not need to be present to win.

IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE YOU MUST:

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



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:

 Fill out an envelope at the draw desk in the Dunford Diner.
 Drop \$2.00 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!

RECENT WINNER

NADINE HAMABATA \$227 FEBRUARY 24 Next Draw March 24

SOUND SYSTEM DRAW

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



MONDAY JAM 50/50 WINNERS Feb. 6 Ernie Woodgate \$29; Gordon Skidmore \$29 Feb.13 Noel Burgess \$42; Samantha Ajtay \$42 Feb.27 Nick Brandhurst \$43; Marion Goller \$43

Thanks Jammers, Volunteers and Patrons. Thanks also to Helen Gepneris for selling tickets at Monday Jams.



NORD-BRIDGE BUILDING FUND RECENT DONORS

NO RECENT DONATIONS

NORD-BRIDGE IN-HOUSE BINGO

Cumulative proceeds from Jan 1, 2017 Through February 17, 2017 : **\$3,004.00**



| 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 | 83% |
| Total Contributions to our Building Fund 1998 through | 2017 | \$ 2 086 296 |

Still needed by N-B Fundraising

\$ 2,086,296 \$ 413,704

WE THANK Bonnie Hammond and her team of over 20 volunteers who work up to nine Winner's Bingo events every month. Their dedication has translated into significant funding for our Centre. In 2016 their hard work brought Nord-Bridge \$127,605.00.





Breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Daily lunch specials 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. *plus* ...

Homemade soups, sandwiches and treats. Menu items including hot and cold sandwiches, burgers,

PUBLIC WELCOME/ NO SURCHARGE/ DEBIT & CASH ACCEPTED

Friday Lunch Specials \$7.50

Mar. 3 Roast Beef, Mashed, Veggies, Yorkshire Pudding Mar. 10 Cabbage Rolls with BBQ Beans, Mash. Potatoes Mar. 17 Guinness Shephard's Pie with Salad & Bun Mar. 24 Liver & Onions with Roasted Potatoes & Veggies Mar. 31 Chicken Parmesan, Fettuccine Alfredo & Salad

All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet First Wednesday of each month 8:30 to 10:30

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Don't delay. Make your appointment with Seniors Help- ing Seniors as soon as you have all of your tax documents in order. Call Sheila at 403-329-3222. | Regular programming will be suspended dur- ing the Annual General Meeting on March 1 st | 1 8:30 BREAKFAST BUFFET 8:45 Yoga 9:30 AGM 10:45 WINNERS BINGO 1:00 Darts/Euchre 1:00 Quilt/Kraft 3:00 Fitball 3:00 Advantage Hearing By Appointment | 2 9:00 Floor Curling 9:30 Card Crafters 9:30 Mind Joggers 10:00 Somatics 11:00 Keep Fit Str & Flex 1:00 Acrylic Painting 1:00 Woodcarving 1:00 Trump Whist 1:00 Floor Shuffleboard 1:00 Duplicate Bridge 5:30 Zumba 7:00 Table Tennis | 3 9:00 Pilates 9:00 Paper Tole 9:30 Carpet Bowling 10:15 Chair Yoga 1:00 In-House Bingo 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Crib |
| 6 9:00 Yoga 9:00 Beginners Tai Chi 9:30 Jammers 9:30 Colored Pencils 10:00 Floor Curling 10:15 Chair Yoga 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Military Whist 3:00 POP-UP HEALTH: FREE COMMUNITY SERVICES EVENT FOR RESIDENTS OF NORTH LETHBRIDGE. | 7 9:00 Shuffleboard 9:30/10/11 Clogging 10:00 Music Makers 11:00 Keep Fit Aerobics 1:00 Texas Hold'em 1:00 Norwegian Whist 1:00 Canasta 1:30 SCRABBLE 3:00 Arthritis Exercise 7:00 Social Dance | 8 8:30 FOOT DR. 8:45 Yoga 9:30 Carpet Bowling 9:45 Out & About + after Too 10:00 Coffee With a Constable 10:15 Paper Tole 10:45 WINNERS BINGO 11:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Darts/Euchre 1:00 Quilt/Kraft 3:00 Fitball | 9 9:00 Floor Curling 9:30 Card Crafters 9:30 Mind Joggers 10:00 Somatics 11:00 Keep Fit Str & Flex 1:00 Acrylic Painting 1:00 Woodcarving 1:00 Trump Whist 1:00 Floor Shuffleboard 1:00 Duplicate Bridge 5:30 Zumba 7:00 Table Tennis | 10 9:00 LEGAL CONSULTS (By appointment) 9:00 Pilates 9:00 Paper Tole 10:15 Chair Yoga 11:00 IN-HOUSE AWARDS & LUNCHEON 1:00 In-House Bingo 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Crib |

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| Go Friendly Shuttle door-to-door service: Call 403-329-3222 the day prior, or sooner, to book a ride. Cost is \$3.00 each way, or use your Lethbridge Transit "Breeze Card". LIVE ALONE? NEED AN OCCASIONAL FRIENDLY PHONE CALL? WE'LL FIND A PHONE FRIEND FOR YOU. (CALL VAL AT 403-329-3222 TO ARRANGE) COFFEE, TEA & YOU: 2** & 4*** TUESDAY 10 A.M. IN DUNFORD DINER ALZHEIMER SOCIETY'S REP. MIKAELA, THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10 A.M. IN THE DUNFORD DINER L.E.A.R.N. (ELDER ABUSE) REP. TANYA PURDY-FISCHER - FIRST TUES, AT 10 A.M. | | | | (by appointment) with HUCKVALE LLP S., MAR. 16 (by appointment) 5 FAMILY" A MUSICAL COMEDY, 2, 28, 29 | |





CONDOLENCES were sent to: The family of Life Member May Engen; the family of Life Member Jan Bradley; to Christina Craik on the loss of her mother; and to Heather Belle and family, loss of mother.

WELL & HEALTH WISHES WERE SENT TO: Ralph Thompson recuperating at St. Michaels Parp Program; Gord Kometz at Calgary's Foothills Hospital resting and recovering from heart surgery; and to Muriel Selk, home again at Black Rock Terrace resting.

Remember to let us know of any members who are ailing.



Thank you, Outreach Committee

OUTREACH REPORT Rodger Halvomen, Convener

February's "Valentine Afternoon" was a great success with a record attendance of 137. Our afternoon featured "Tom & Curt" with Matt Lipinski (drummer). They are always a hit at Nord-Bridge, yet they were particularly appreciated by our Outreach guests. Door Prizes were won by Kim Kerner, Rose Hamilton and Geret. Our 22 volunteers served coffee & juice and Valentine cupcakes with chocolates. The music had our guests thoroughly enjoying themselves whether dancing or merely clapping and tapping their toes. In the words of a regular Outreach guest: "We at Seasons (formerly Sunrise Village) have been coming to the Outreach Program for quite a few years. My residents very much enjoy coming as it is a great outing and the entertainment is always so good. The volunteers do a fabulous job of making us welcome". Dee Williamson (Seasons Lifestyle Manager)



Our March 20th Outreach "St. Patrick's Party" will feature the sounds of Floyd Sillito. Don't be disappointed, book early and be part of another great afternoon of good music, good friends and good fun!

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EUCHRE REPORT Rodney Foster, Convener

What a busy month this is! March 12 is Daylight Savings. March 17 is St. Pat's Day. Mach 20 is the first day of spring. March is also a great time to come out and play Euchre. We'll hold our In-House Tournament on May 24 allowing you lots of time to learn the game. Lessons begin every Wednesday at 12:30 in the Dunford Diner Annex followed by regular games at 1:00 p.m. I hope to see you there!





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COMA by Edward L. Sillito (Mind Joggers)

The first thing I felt was the heartburn. It was like eating something that disagreed with me. Then came the pain in my leg. Deep down I suspected what might be happening, but my mind refused to accept it. Then came the shortness of breath, and the growing feeling of panic. Then suddenly, like a hammer hitting my chest, came that awful pain. That sharp stabbing pain, again and again until I couldn't stand it any more. That's when I discovered this place. It was the only place I could find that was far enough away from the pain.

None of them understand. They keep trying to wake me up, to "pull me out of it". I don't think they realize that I can see and hear everything they say and do. At first it was frightening, and confusing. All those doctors and



nurses, desperately trying to revive me with their machines, needles, and electric paddles. They poked and prodded, all the while yelling directions at each other. What a madhouse! Then, finally they hooked me up to the machines and left me alone.

Since then I've felt peaceful and safe, and I don't ever want to leave this place. I don't really understand it. All I know is that I'm free of that terrible pain. I just want them all to go away and leave me alone.

Look at them, over there huddled in the corner, whispering. I know they're talking about me, and maybe if I listen real close, I'll be able to hear what they're saying. What's that? Comatose! Brain dead! What are they talking about, and why to they keep looking over at me like that? I'm not brain dead! Look at me. I can reason, I can think! They just can't do this to me. Why, I've been through wars, depression, and disease. There's no way I'll go out like this, timidly, like some vegetable. I'll decide when and where I'll go, pain or no pain!

"Oh my God doctor, look, her eyes moved"!

ocal historian, Bruce Haig began digitizing local yearbooks 10 years ago, and put them online to share with others. A decade later he had 123 yearbooks with up to 1,000 page views a month. Since then the University of Leth-



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bridge has picked up his project. While the University takes care of scanning and putting them on the website, Bruce is still in charge of collecting the yearbooks. For his contribution to Canada's 150th Anniversary he hopes to expand the collection. If you have any yearbooks to contribute please deliver them to Bruce at 720 - 12 St. South, or drop them off here at Nord-Bridge and we'll have them delivered to Bruce. For a better idea of what this project offers, have a look at the University of Lethbridge searchable website:

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