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(* indicates individual on Board responsible for Program Area) (** indicates "Emeritus")

ADMIN. PROGRAMS

By-Laws/Policies Committee Crafts Boutique Finance Committee

Memberships Newsletter Newsletter Ad Sales Nominations Committee

Political Advocacy Committee Seniors Helping Seniors

CARDS & BOARD GAMES

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

Duplicate Bridge Norwegian Whist

EDUCATION

Acrylic Painting Paper Tole Wood Carving Watercolor Watercolor Club WaterColor Club Krafters Koffee Klub Quilters Group Nord-Bridge Card Crafters Spanish for Travelers Library 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 & Get Well Cards Hospital Visits Keep-in-Touch Program Outreach Convener **Outreach Program Liaison**

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Decorations Monday Music Jams Senior Music Makers Socials Committee & Specials Social Dance Clogging Line Dancing

SPORTS & RECREATION

Bocce **Carpet Bowling** Darts Floor Curling Floor Shuffleboard Golf Pool Shuffleboard **Table Tennis**

TRAVEL

Travel Agent / Bookings Driver Co-ordination - Travel Vehicle (Bus 2) Maintenance

OLUNTEERISM

Building Set-up Volunteers Diner Special Events Coordinator

AFFILIATIONS

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is my favorite month. December is the time we all think of family and friends. We look forward to Christmas get-togethers and welcoming in a New Year.

December at Nord-Bridge will be busy. It is time for us all to <u>renew our</u> <u>memberships to Nord-Bridge</u>. They

are due by the end of December for 2018. <u>Portraits for</u> <u>members taken by Sid Lewis</u> are scheduled for December 11th should you want a new picture for our membership book. Our Christmas Luncheon has sold out as usual. I want to thank members for their support of this event every December. The <u>Christmas Zoo Light Tour</u> is scheduled December 28th for a cost of \$55.00 each. It leaves at 2 p.m. and returns about 11 p.m. Tickets are available at the Reception Desk.

The Board has approved the <u>Nord-Bridge Strategic Plan</u> and we hope to take it to <u>Lethbridge City Council</u> in December. This plan and our <u>Organizational Review</u> have taken two years to complete and I want to thank the <u>Committee and the staff</u> who worked so hard to develop these documents. The Nord-Bridge Strategic Plan will be revisited on a regular basis to ensure that it stays relevant and continues to have a positive vision of our future.

I hope to be at Nord-Bridge each Friday morning to meet with members. Thank you for your trust in me.

Have a *MERRY CHRISTMAS* and a *HAPPY NEW YEAR* everybody.

President, Pat Santa



We offer our Members their own Tech Desk.



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This FREE SERVICE is available to NORD-BRIDGE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ONLY on the FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY of each month, 10 A.M. UNTIL NOON & 1 P.M. UNTIL 2 P.M.

WELCOME, New Members! We're very GLAD you're here.

Daisy Kinniburgh	Patti Garner
Linda Abbott	Brenda Ftichar
Ben Schatz	Liz Robertson
Bonnie Bourner	Percy Bourner
Harold Watt	Donald Henry
Patricia Klima	Gail Watt
Walter Falk	Anonymous (2)

We hope you enjoy your association with Nord-Bridge "The Friendly Centre"



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- 1. Access the network / WiFi settings on your device.
- 2. Select **ShawOpen** from the list of networks.
- 3. Open your browser.
- 4. Sign-in using your **@shaw.ca email** address and password.

Any questions? <u>Please</u> call **1-888-472-2222** or visit http://www.shaw.ca/internet/wifi/

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While at the Nord-Bridge Centre you can access our in-building internet service at:



User ID: FriendlyCentre Password: myfriendlycentre (Shaw Cable subscribers see above)

Nord-Bridge Meetings Reminder

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First Monday	9:30 a.m.			
First Wednesday	9:30 a.m.			
Second Wednesday	9:00 a.m.			
Last Wednesday	9:30 a.m.			
First Wed. of March First Wed. of November	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.			
Go Seniors Society				
Third Tuesday	9:00 a.m.			
First Tuesday of April	9:00 a.m.			
	Second Wednesday Last Wednesday First Wed. of March First Wed. of November Seniors Society			

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LORRI'S CORNER

Christmas is an opportunity for spending time with our loved ones, enjoying a meal and perhaps a glass or two of wine. For many though, the holiday season may look a bit different. Some of us will have perhaps, a new grandbaby while others will have an empty chair at the Christmas table. For some, that chair may have been empty for many years, and maybe there is more than one empty chair. The holiday season evokes



memories and feelings about important people in our lives who have died or who are no longer present at our holiday celebrations because of divorce or other estrangements.

And regardless of why the chair is empty, the fact is, it IS empty.

Following are some tips which will provide basic, practical, and emotional guidance. These are adapted from an article by Russell Friedman, one of the founders of the Grief Recovery Institute, December 23, 2011.

• **Don't Isolate Yourself**. It's normal and natural to feel lost and alone, but if you must, force yourself to be with people and participate in normal activities.

• **Don't misuse food or alcohol to cover up your feelings**. As children, when we were sad about something, we were often told, "Don't feel bad. Here have a cookie, you'll feel better." The cookie doesn't make the child feel better, just like alcohol and drugs will only mask feelings of sadness.

• Talk about your feelings, but don't expect a quick fix. It's essential to have someone you trust to talk to about your memories and the feelings they evoke. You're sad, <u>not broken</u>; you just need to be heard.

• While it's important to talk about your feelings, don't dwell on them. Telling the same story over and over is not helpful - in fact, it can establish and cement a relationship to your pain. Better to just make a simple statement of how you feel in the moment. For example, "I just had a sad feeling."

• **Time doesn't heal, actions do.** The myth that time heals a broken heart is just that, a myth. Time can't heal a broken heart any more than air can jump into a flat tire. Time just goes by. It's the actions you take within time that can help you feel better.

• **Don't get too busy.** Being super active just distracts you; it doesn't really help you deal with your broken heart.

• **Maintain your normal routines.** Adapting to the changes in your life following a death or a divorce is an enormous adjustment. It's never a good idea to add a host of other changes while you're trying to adapt.

• Go through the pain, not under, over, or around it. It's very tempting to try to avoid the pain associated with a broken heart. But it's also a very bad idea. Whenever you skirt the pain, all you're doing is pushing it away temporarily. It will always come back to haunt you.

• Find effective guidance or you will sabotage your future. While the grief of a broken heart is the normal reaction to the death of your mate or the end of a romantic relationship, it's very helpful to discover and complete everything that was left unfinished.

For most people, the first holiday season after a death or a divorce is the most painful. But that's not true for everyone. For many, the second, third, and subsequent years are very painful. Since time doesn't heal emotional wounds, people often report feeling worse as years go by. No matter when your loss occurred, it's most important that you become aware that recovery is possible and to learn which actions will help you.



In January, 2018 I will be offering the Grief Recovery Program here at Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, so watch for the posters. This 8-week course is life changing for anyone who has experienced a loss (and loss does not

only happen with a death) in their life. Come see me for a list of the over 40 losses that can impact us. Here's my December schedule. As always, my door is open should you need to chat.

Lorri Penner, BSW, RSW Member Support Coordinator



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CRAFT & BAKE SALE REPORT

This year we added a baked goods component to our October Annual Craft Sale. In past years we held a separate Bake Sale in December. By moving it, we were less constrained by high demand for the Multi-Purpose Hall & Boardroom programming demands, and it added an additional level of interest to the Craft Sale.

All baked goods were donated by our members. The variety and quality of the donations was awesome. By 11 a.m. all the baked goods were SOLD! We raised \$1,193 in sales and received more by way of donations. We also did well with snack & sandwich sales. Sincere thanks is expressed to our bakers, customers, vendors, donors and especially our volunteers.

We received valuable feedback from our vendors and some offered very good ideas that we will incorporate when we organize our October 27, 2018 event.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Greetings Members;

I would like to welcome to Nord-Bridge those new members listed on Page 3 of this *Newsletter*. I encourage others to help them feel welcome. Some members have asked why we have started using the term "Anonymous" in the new members section of the *Newsletter*. This is because we have implemented a <u>new procedure</u> to obtain a "one time written consent" from new and renewing members, to allow the Centre to occasionally publish (1) photo-



graphs and / or (2) names of members with articles in the *Newsletter*. We realize however, there may be very valid personal reasons why publishing names and photographs may be inappropriate for some, and not be desired. We have previously published names and photos as a way of keeping Nord-Bridge "Friendly and welcoming". Yet we know that this desired outcome may not be appropriate for all individuals. Therefore, please let the Reception Desk know of your preference, or any change in preference should circumstances change. Our "Consent Form" also asks (3) if you want to receive email messages from Nord-Bridge. We have been asking this question, as we anticipate that at some point in the future as a cost cutting measure, we may send some communications to members via email. If you select "no" to this preference, we will respect your request.

On a governance related topic, I wish to thank former Board Secretary Marilynn Heaton for her service starting in 2013. She has done an outstanding job, with minutes always accurate and out in a timely manner. Marilynn resigned from the Board in September because of personal needs. We are happy for Marilynn, and hopeful for her future. Member Anne Pauls has agreed to serve as interim Board Secretary. Thanks Anne for taking on this assignment. We hope you enjoy the work, and will consider letting your name stand for election in March 2018.

Finally, to all members, I hope you have a healthy and Merry Christmas with family and friends. Janay and I hope to see our new grandson.

Respectfully yours, Randy Smith, Executive Director



NORD-BRIDGE 2018 AGM & BOARD ELECTION

Wed., March 7, 2018, 9:30 a.m. Nominations Notice for Board & Executive Positions

At the Association's **upcoming Annual General Meeting**, scheduled for **March 7**, **2018**, **9:30 am**, the membership of Nord-Bridge will be asked to elect a new Executive. This occurs annually. Executive Officers can serve a maximum of 3 years in the same position, excepting for the Treasurer and Board Secretary, who can be elected for extended terms. In 2018 our membership will minimally elect (or re-elect) the President and Vice-President. Members will also be asked to vote on the Treasurer and Board Secretary. The By-Laws outline that [where possible] nominations for Executive positions are made from individuals who have served on the most recent Board, and have been a Director on the Board for a period of at least one year.

In addition, at least 3 Directors are elected to the Board annually. Directors on the Board are elected from members of the Society in "good standing", per By-Law Item 7.1.4. Directors can serve up to two terms of 3 years each.

If you would like to serve on the Executive or Board of Directors, please see the By-Laws in the Library or at the Reception Desk; or speak with a member of the Nominations Committee, chaired by Past-President Jim Hahn; or with Executive Director Randy Smith. You might also wish to speak with a current member of the Board to learn of their duties and experiences. We are announcing the AGM and Election now to give all members a chance to contemplate over the holidays this governance opportunity. Nomination Forms will be available at the Reception Desk on January 8, and nominations will be accepted at the Front Desk until **4:30 pm on Tuesday, February 13. 2018.**

Merry Christmas



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Programmer's Report by David Ng

The Christmas season is upon us which means our Fall 2017 programing season is drawing to a close. We are very fortunate to have such great enrollment in all of our registered programs. The success is greatly based on the brilliant instructors we have here at Nord-Bridge. Our instructors of registered programs will take a short break during the Christmas season to rest and rejuvenate for a new programming season in 2018.



Cheers, David



The Winter 2018 Program Booklet will be available at the Reception Desk on Thursday, December 14th. Program registration will open on Thursday, January 4, 2018 at 9:00 am. If you have any questions about any of the programs please come and talk with me at the Reception Desk.

The U of L Nursing Students have once again wrapped up another fall term here at Nord-Bridge. This year the 12 students divided into groups of 4 and each group presented one topic and also created a poster presentation on topics related to member's interests. The poster presentations were very popular as it allowed for a lot of interaction. One of the groups even ventured outside of Nord-Bridge with 6 members to the Inter-Faith Food Kitchen. All the best to Carly, Dina, Evan, Keely, Madison, Samantha, Shaun, Stephanie, Tasha, Taylor, Teah, and Torrie in your final year of studies.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

From the Desk of Val



ats off to Hazel Carroll who has been a tireless Nord-Bridge Gift Boutique volunteer for many years, working every Tuesday morning, with a friendly smile, come rain, or snow,



or ice, or shine. She has also been our **#1** raffle ticket seller; **no one** could get past Hazel when she was selling tickets. Hazel, now 90 years young, has made up her mind to retire. Thanks Hazel? We hope you will visit us frequently, for a coffee and a laugh or two?



Thanks also to Marie Areshenko who has also decided to step down from volunteering. Marie worked with me here at the Reception Desk for many years. She also worked for some time in our Library. Best wishes to you too Marie, and we hope you come back from time to time to check up on us! Volunteers are the backbone of our

Centre. I have worked with many, many volunteers here at Nord-Bridge and they have always been a great asset. Some work many hours, and some work just a few hours but they are all integral to our success and their selfless contributions are amazing.

I wish all of you and your families a Merry Christmas. I especially send friendly regards to all who have lost a loved one recently. This time of year may be lonely for you, so I hope you stop by for a little levity. You have good friends here.

Our Outreach Program will once again give back to the community by decorating a Christmas tree which will be donated to the Interfaith Food Bank so that a special family will have a little light to brighten up their holiday. Please donate small ornaments to put on the tree. Ornaments must be brought in by December 5th.

Our Travel Program has just about wrapped up for 2017. This year we organized 34 successful outings for you. We have already begun to plan our 2018 Program and as al-

ways we ask for your suggestions. Please bring them to Rita or me. We aim to keep you active and on the go in the New Year!

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EUCHRE REPORT Rodney Foster, Convener

I wish you all a **Merry Christmas**, and hope you receive all you wish for. Remember, the real reason for Christmas is GIVING, so get out and volunteer. Visit with your friends and if you want a fun gift come out and learn to play Euchre. Meet new friends and have LOTS of FUN. We offer lessons at 12:30 p.m. followed by regular games at 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday, in the Dunford Diner Annex. Have a safe **and Happy New Year!**



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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.



4. After the draw, members may sign in for the next day's draw.

RECENT WINNERS Denis Briand, Nov. 14, \$359 Kathy Ludwig, Nov. 15, \$24 Helen Gepneris Nov. 23, \$56 Ducky Tarnava Nov. 27, \$23 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 at the draw desk in the Dunford Diner.

2. 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

Dan Deringer, November 24, \$222 Next Draw December 22

MONDAY JAM 50/50 DRAW

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

RECENT WINNERS

Nov. 06 John Jerman \$46; Jim Randa \$46 Nov. 20 Anne Pauls \$51; Gordon Skidmore \$51 Nov. 28 Larry Kozelenko \$41; Helen Gepneris \$41

Thanks Jammers, Volunteers and Patrons. Thanks also to Pat Santa for selling tickets at Monday Jams.





NORD-BRIDGE BUILDING FUND RECENT DONORS S. Brust \$200; Anonymous (3) \$750; A. Pauls \$100;

A. & R. Kimber \$200; R. Tarleck \$100; J. Edwards \$100; F. Wallace \$100; C. Lapointe \$200; P. Veres \$80; F. Veres \$100; R. Vickers \$100; S. & P. Kruszewski \$200; E. Symes \$100; New Connections Social Club \$1,000; E. Polczer \$100; G. Bennett \$100; J. Nay \$100; F. & A. Mehlhaff \$200

NORD-BRIDGE IN-HOUSE BINGO

Cumulative proceeds from Jan 1, 2017 through November 17, 2017 : \$19,063



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	84%
Total Contributions to our Building Fund 1998 through	\$ 2,100,231	
Still needed by N-B Fundraisi	\$ 403,599	

Still needed by N-B Fundraising

WE THANK Judith Beasley 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.





- Dec. 1 Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies and Gravy
- Dec. 8 Christmas Luncheon* Traditional Turkey Dinner Soup, Hot Turkey Sandwich and More in the Multi-Purpose Hall
- Dec. 15 Cabbage Rolls, Mashed Potatoes & Salad
- Dec. 22 Fish Friday! 2 Pieces of Fish, Chips, Coleslaw & Gravy
- Dec. 29 Regular Menu plus \$6.00 Specials

All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet First \$7.50 Wednesday of each month 8:30 to 10:30

*PLEASE NOTE: THE GRILL IS CLOSED DURING SPECIAL EVENTS

December 2017				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 9:30 Jammers 9:00 Yoga 10:00 Floor Curling 10:15 Chair Yoga 11:30 Qigong 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Military Whist	5 10:00 Music Makers 11:00 Keep Fit 1:00 Texas Hold'em 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Norwegian Whist 1:30 SCNAMBLE 3:00 Arthritis Exercise 7:00 Line Dance	6 8:30 BreakfastBuffet 10:15 Paper Tole 10:45 WINNERS BINGO 11:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Darts/Euchre 1:00 Quilt/Kraft 3:00 Fitball 3:00 Advantage Hearing By Appointment	7 9:00 Floor Curling 9:00 Card Crafters 9:30 Mind Joggers 11:00 Keep Fit 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	1* & 8 9:00 Pilates* 9:00 Paper Tole 9:30 FREE MASSAGE* 9:30 Carpet Bowling 10:15 Chair Yoga* 11:30 Christmas Luncheon 1:00 In-House Bingo 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Crib
11 Member Portraits 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. & 1 to 2 p.m. 9:30 Jammers 10:00 Floor Curling 11:30 Qigong 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Military Whist 1:30 Outreach "12 Gifts of Christmas"	12 9:00 Legal Consults By Appointment 10:00 Music Makers 10:45 WINNERS BINGO 1:00 Texas Hold'em 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Norwegian Whist 1:30 SCRAPIE 7:00 Line Dance	13 9:30 Carpet Bowling 9:30 Floyd & Friends Musical Entertainment 10:30 FOOT DR. NAIL CLINIC 10:45 WINNERS BINGO 11:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Darts/Euchre 1:00 Quilt/Kraft	14 9:00 Floor Curling 9:00 Card Crafters 1:00 Acrylic Painting 1:00 Woodcarving 1:00 Trump Whist 1:00 Floor Shuffleboard 1:00 Duplicate Bridge 7:00 Table Tennis 2018 WINTER PROGRAM AVAILABLE TODAY. Registration Begins Jan. 4 th . 2018, 9 a.m.	15 9:30 Carpet Bowling 1:00 In-House Bingo 1:00 Contract Bridge 1:00 Crib GET YOUR FREE FLU SHOT AT THE MEDICINE SHOPPE

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CONDOLENCES WERE SENT TO...Marion Ziefflie, loss of husband; Jim Scott & Family, loss of mother; the Sera family, loss of Frank; Joe Mauro & Family, loss of father; and Gord Vaselenak, loss of sister.



GET WELL & HEALTH WISHES WERE SENT TO ...



Larry Klim in hospital and Margaret Scallon now recovering at home. Gerry Schwartz, our librarian is back home doing well. His wife Patty and Muriel Nickels are keeping up the Library while he is recovering. Our visiting Angel, Lydia Prokop is somewhat under the weather and will need to curtail her hospital visits. Angel Helper, Chris Figenshau will fill in when Lydia is resting. Thanks ladies, for all you do. You're the Best!

OUTREACH REPORT **Donalda Stock, Board Representative**

The theme of our November Outreach Program was a huge "Tailgate Party". We had our very own cheerleaders led by Val, which got everyone into the swing of things. The cheer was "OUTREACH YOU ROCK!" A total of 119 guests were present. The lively music was supplied by Vicki Klassen & Don Moore. They did a terrific job. Some of our guests got up and danced which was awesome to see.



Thank You, Joan Veldhuis for donating the sport towels to be raffled. The lucky winners were: Audrey, Vulcan; Ray, Good Sam's; Lorna, Nord-Bridge; Sherry, Quest; and Helen, Nord-Bridge. This month's lucky door prize winners were Nord-Bridge member Donna; and Louise from Vulcan.

Join us on Monday, December 11th at 1:30 p.m. for "12 Gifts of Christmas" featuring the Wilson School Band Quintet & our own Music Makers. Please register early by contacting Val at our Reception Desk or call her at 403-329-3222. Lots of fun has been organized for you. Take care and God Bless You All!



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Fundraising Committee Report to Nord-Bridge Board Meeting Wednesday, October 11, 2017

President, Pat Santa and Jim Hahn, our Past President lead our Fund Raising Committee. This Committee works to generate income for our Centre through special events and 50/50's which augments our General Account; and donations, which support our Building Fund. This table represents fundraising results as at October 10, 2017:

REVENUE	ACTIVITY OR EVENT	EXPENSES	
\$ 2,512.45	Daily 50/50	\$	-
\$ 2,308.25	Monday Jams	\$	926.98
\$ 1,702.00	Toonie Draw	\$	-
\$ 40,462.52	Old Farourites #6	\$	17,244.66
\$ 7,500.00	President's Dinner	\$	2,379.76
\$ 4,320.00	Miners Banquet	\$	1,787.52
\$ 10,503.00	Other Events	\$	5 <i>,</i> 864.02
\$ 69,308.22	TOTALS	\$	28,202.94

NET REVENUE \$ 41,105.28 FROM FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE INITIATIVES

While we are pleased with these results, the problem with fundraising events, says Jim, is that, "Expenses eat up a lot of gross revenue even though volunteers donate their time. Another issue is variety. It is difficult to come up with new, cost effective, popular, projects year in and year out."

Always looking for ways to help our Centre thrive, Jim and his Committee initiated the \$100 X 100 plus Campaign (part of our Building **Fund)** this past July. The goal of this campaign is to raise \$10,000 earmarked for our \$50,000 Carpet Replacement Project. Through philanthropic gifts, the Committee seeks donations in \$100 multiples. \$25,000 is already secured by a Grant from the New Horizons for Seniors fund. It is the Committee's hope that more of our members and our community partners will see the value of Tax Receipted charitable donations to their own Centre; a place where they relax, eat, play and stay connected with each other and the local community-at-large. Donors names are added to our Building Fund Donor Board, on display in our main corridor. As at November 22, we have collected \$4,800 toward our goal of \$10,000. Another \$5,200 by the end of Christmas will take us to the goal line this year. Please make a donation if you are able.

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Time: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Place: Berlando Boardroom

Cost: 4 films for \$30.00 or \$8.00 per session

Bring your own bag lunch to enjoy during the movie.

Register at Nord-Bridge Reception Desk

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NURSING STUDENTS would like to thank you for welcoming us into Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre for the last three months. We appreciate the opportunity to participate in activities with all of you. We have truly enjoyed our time here at Nord-Bridge and are grateful to have gotten to know many of you.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our educational sessions over the last three months; your participation made them successful. We would also like to thank everyone who attended our Health Fair on November 28th. Again your participation and support helped to make this event a huge success.

Lastly, as December 4th is our last day here at Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre, all of us would like to thank

each and every one of you for making our time here so enjoyable! We will leave this rotation with nothing but great memories as well as many new friendships.

We wish you a great Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!



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- If I choose to write a will, do I have to use a lawyer?
- What else should I know about wills and basic estate planning?

Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre

Date: Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Place: Dunford Diner Annex

To Register call Lorri at 403-329-3222

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