

NORD-BRIDGE SENIORS NEWSLETTER

March 2016











Our Arts & Crafts programs are thriving and our newer participants are benefiting from the leadership of our knowledgeable instructors and talented, experienced members. Shown here with current projects (clockwise from top left) are: **Marilyn Gillies**, Acrylic Painting; **Bryan Bradfield**, Beginners Watercolor; **Laura Inkster**, Acrylic Painting; and **Randy Butterwick**, Woodcarving. Although these programs are not part of our Annual In-House Tournaments, which we celebrate every March, their achievements are enviable and demonstrate that we are never too old to learn new pursuits or improve our existing skills.

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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**

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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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

March is here and it has almost been feeling like spring already. As a reminder; our AGM will be on March 2nd at 9:30 a.m. If you are able, please try to attend.

All three "Old Favourites" 5 concerts were sold out! It was a huge success due to the support of our

members and the community at large. Jim Hahn did a great job organizing this production and the performers were amazing. We hope to sponsor more special events as they are our biggest fund raisers.

Maria Fitzpatrick, Lethbridge East MLA will be at Nord-Bridge on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. to hear from her constituents and fellow Nord-Bridge members. You may call for an appointment to meet with Maria.

The Miner's Memorial Dinner is scheduled for the evening of May 2nd. Tickets are available now. Tickets for the Miners Raffle are now on sale as well. You can get them from Nord-Bridge volunteers or at the Reception Desk. On March 17 plan to take in the Alberta Securities Commission's anti-fraud presentation in our Dunford Diner Annex (read more about this on Page 6). On March 18, check out the Shoppers Home Health Care sale here in our Centre. They will highlight their "aids for daily living" products and offer a FREE walker adjustment service. Our Travel Committee is offering a trip to the Raymond Dinner Theatre presentation of "The Wizard of Oz" on the evening of March 18. Tickets are \$55.00 including bus, dinner and show.

I will try to be available to members every Friday afternoon at the Reception Desk. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your president this last year. It has been an honour.

Pat Santa. President



Many thanks to Scotiabank for being a terrific corporate partner in our fundraising activities. We appreciate their community spirit.



9:30 a.m.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sjoerd Schaafsma **Doris Stewart** Carol Williams Marcella Klein Harley Miller Carol Stober Lorna Stratulat Shirley Miller Pat DeBoer Percy Stratulat Alvena Marti David Green **David Wheeler** Shirley Lennox Ralph Bloomberg Diana Cramer Sandra Wheeler Mary Cooper Garry Hawley **Bruce Hammond** Harold Cooper Court Henry Neil Williams Maria Craft Gloria Hutton Trina Williams Jo-Ann Wardman Deanna Crowe Deborah Kobe Tom Wardman Susan Riehl Kai Yip Vedna McGill

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





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

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(Shaw Cable subscribers see below)



Nord-Bridge Meetings Reminder

Each Month Outreach Committee Executive Meeting Winners Bingo Committee Board of Directors Meeting Finance Committee Annually Annual General Meeting

First Monday First Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Second Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Second Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Last Wednesday 9:00 a.m. First Wed. of March 9:30 a.m.

Go Seniors Society

First Wed. of November

Regular Board Meetings Feb., April, June, October Annually

General Member Meeting

Second Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Annual General Meeting First Tuesday of April 9:00 a.m.



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The Go Seniors Society expresses thanks to everyone who donated their pennies and pocket change. In the past year our six gallon wine jug was filled with \$436.75 of your donations.



citizen organizations, and to other senior causes as deemed appropriate by the Board and/or membership of the Society. Our wine jug campaign is earmarked for transportation. This money will be added to our bus fund.

Helen Gepnerie, President Go Seniore Sociaty

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
- 3 Extra Games \$1.00 each

Everyone (18 and over) welcome!

COME FOR LUNCH, STAY FOR BINGO!

LORRI'S CORNER

February 24th was **Pink Shirt Day.** Maybe you have heard of it before, or maybe you haven't. Pink Shirt Day was started in 2007 by two grade nine boys in Nova Scotia after a classmate was bullied for wearing a pink shirt on the first day of school. Since then, Pink Shirt Day has been observed around the world as a way to bring awareness on the effects of bullying.



Bullying usually conjures images of mean spirited children cornering another child in a hallway or on the playground, but bullying is not limited to children. Bullying is a concern across all age groups, including seniors.

While we may have an idea of what bullying is, we may not fully recognize all the behaviours that are also considered to be bullying. It is my intention to shine a bit of light on bullying with the hope that we all pause for a moment and look at how we treat each other, at Nord-Bridge and elsewhere.

The definition of bullying is: *Intentional repetitive aggressive behaviour involving an imbalance of power (Hazelden Foundation, 2008).* While this definition includes the word "repetitive" it is critical to recognize even one incident can have a significant impact on a person. Bullying can be verbal, physical and also relationship centered. I am going to focus on relationship centered bullying because it is often not as recognized.

Relationship centered bullying includes gossip, public snubbing, exclusion from social gatherings or cruel treatment in any form. It also includes spreading rumors and using negative nonverbal body language such as mimicking and offensive gestures. Peer to peer bullying within senior social circles is quite prevalent.

Research has shown that people who are bullies share common characteristics. They seek to control others and feel powerful when this control happens. Their behaviour continues because they are reinforced by making others feel threatened, fearful or hurt. They strive to create conflict between people and have difficulties tolerating differences in people.

The impact of bullying affects us all. No one wants to be afraid to attend an event, or program at our Senior Centre. Making the decision whether to attend or not causes anxiety, worry and often people choose to stay away. Frequently, victims keep the bullying to themselves because they are embarrassed, or scared of further bullying.

I was happy to read that the Board set "the creation of a caring community, where members feel safe and welcome" as one of the objectives of Nord-Bridge. The only way bullying can be prevented is by educating people and encouraging others to intervene. Please pay attention to others around you; notice signs of isolation and emotional distress which may be the result of bullying, and ask others if they need assistance. For more information on bullying, please stop in to see me. We can make a difference. Let's uphold Nord-Bridge's reputation as "The Friendly Centre."

Lorri Penner, BSW, RSW Member Support Coordinator



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Greetings Members;

Nord-Bridge will hold its **Annual General Membership Meeting (AGM) March 2, 2016**. Please see details outlined below. All members are encouraged to attend this important gathering. At the meeting you have the opportunity to elect the Of-



ficers (Executive) and Directors of the Society. The Nominating Committee Report, containing the names of those running for office was posted in the Centre in mid-February. Copies are available on the political / Association notice table in front of our Member Support Coordinator office, across from the Dunford Diner. This table also contains the Minutes of last year's

AGM for your reading.
I have also put at this table a "History of Nord-Bridge Seniors" recently pulled together by Bob Tarleck. Nord-Bridge was established in 1978, and incorporated two years later. Bob was asked by our Board to commit to paper our remarkable history, which I trust members will enjoy reading. It will be included appendix an to 'Operational `and Strategic Review" undertaken at the request of the City, and concluded in December. We are still wait-ing for the opportunity to formally present this review to City



Council. A summary of the report will be made at the AGM. We advise our members that starting in March we have a new tenant operating the ladies hair salon. We congratulate Ashley Pasowisty who secured a lease for the salon. This occurred after the prior tenant announced to staff that she would be closing the salon on February 24. Ashley, Connie and Wilma will continue to serve their patrons under the new name "Salon Nineteen04". We thank these ladies

for their commitment to Nord-Bridge.

Respectfully, Randy Smith

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Annual General Meeting Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Hall

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

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

To encourage members to attend the AGM, all other programs will be cancelled, and rooms locked by Board Policy.

The purpose of the Annual General Meeting is to present the entire membership with reports on the accomplishments of Nord-Bridge during the preceding year; to present the audited Annual Financial Statements of the Association; to conduct the annual election of Directors and Officers of the Association; and to conduct other business with the General Membership as the Board of Directors may approve. We appreciate the attendance and participation of our members.

RACHAEL RDER

Member of Parliament Lethbridge





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EUCHRE REPORT

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY to all the Irish and those who wish they were!

Pink Shirt DAY only 2016

On February 24, Pink Shirt Day, I was proud to see so many of you don a pink shirt in support of its anti-bullying message. Yes, seniors can be bullies too.

Our Euchre group is growing but we still have room for a few more. We meet Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. for lessons and tips followed by game play from 1 to 3 p.m. After the games, we share coffee and conversation in the Dunford Diner. Join us soon!

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Rodney Foster



Military Whist Tournament Saturday, March 12, 2016

Registration Deadline March 7, 2016

Cost: \$50 per team

Includes Lunch, Coffee and Snacks Register 9 to 9:30 a.m. Play begins at 10 a.m.

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Programmer's Report by David Ng

If the 9,782 gophers I have seen aren't a sign that spring is here... I don't know what is. March signals many things around here at Nord-Bridge. On March 2nd our Annual General Meeting takes place in the Multi-Purpose Hall at 9:30 am. During the meeting please note the following program cancellations: Carpet Bowling, Paper Tole, Roll & Stroll and Line Dancing.



Friday, March 11th at 11:00 am will be the Annual In-House Awards Luncheon. This luncheon is for participants who competed in the 2015 In-House Tournament Activities (Pool, Snooker, Floor Shuffleboard, Floor Curling, Carpet Bowling, Table Shuffleboard and Darts). Additional tickets for spouses/guests will be available for \$10.00 at the Front Desk. Carpet Bowling will be cancelled on this day to accommodate this luncheon in the Multi-Purpose Hall. To all the Friday Bingo players: Please note that you will have access to the Multi-Purpose Hall by 12:30 pm on this day.



On March 17th at 9:30 am the Alberta Securities Commission (ASC) will host a presentation "Recognizing and Avoiding Investment Fraud" in the Dunford Diner Annex. March is Fraud prevention month. The ASC

would like to help educate all our members about how they can protect their retirement investments. **Snacks and refreshments will be provided.**

David

Mind Joggers, Judith Knox

Kiss & Hug

Remember the childhood lyrics:

"Kiss & Hug Kiss & Hug Kiss your Sweetie On the Mug"



Of course, we didn't know it at the time but that puppylove activity holds the secret to some positive effects as an adult. Some time ago a study conducted by an insurance company found that husbands who kiss their wives every morning:

- A) Live an average of five years longer.
- B) Are involved in fewer automobile accidents.
- C) Are ill 50 percent less times.
 - Earn 20 to 30 percent more money.



This juvenile poetry will simplify and exemplify the fact that the way you see people is the way you treat them, and the way you treat them is what they become.

A presentation by: The Leap Year Day Frog

Mind Jogger Accomplishments

We join the Mindjoggers in congratulating two of their group who recently compiled and bound their favourite works.

Kala Watmough, with her anthology, "STORIES TO GO'





Anne Burton with her collection, "PRAIRIE SPIRIT"

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS On Sunday, March 13th set your clock ahead one hour and change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

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 WINNER(S)

JAMES SAMUEL \$187 February 25, 2016

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 \$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

LOUISE ODLAND \$333.00 February 26, 2016

Next Draw March 18th

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 1 Gord & Ray \$50; Back Table Bandits \$50 Feb 8 Darren Smit \$52; Gay Arnold \$52 Feb 22 Bert Brouwer \$50; Helen & Roy \$50

Feb 29 TBA

Thanks Jammers, Volunteers and Patrons.
Thanks also to Helen Gepneris & Jim Hahn 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, 2016 Through February, 2016: \$ 3,119



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	82%
Total Contributions to our		

Total Contributions to our

<u>Building Fund 1998 through Feb. 2016</u> \$ 2,059,103

Still needed by N-B Fundraising \$ 440,897

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.





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

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Friday Lunch Specials \$7.50

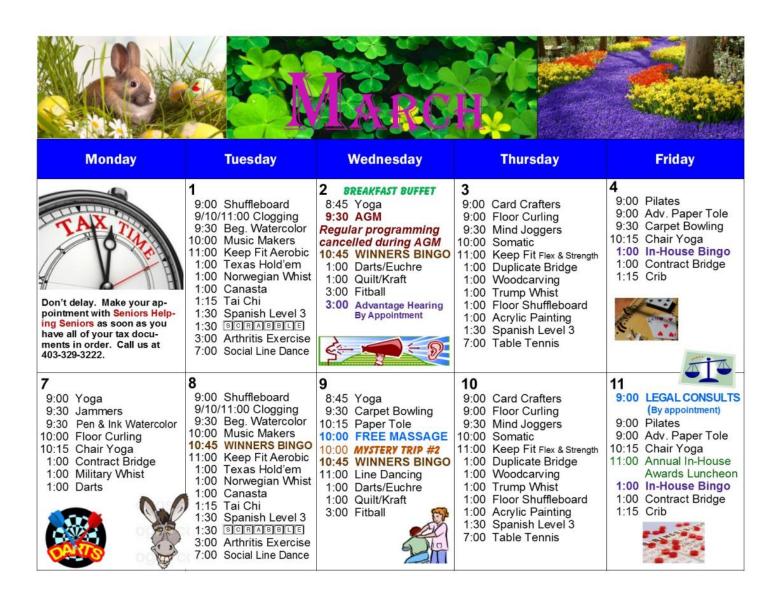
March 4 Lasagna, Caesar Salad and Garlic Toast

March 11 Liver & Onions, Mashed Potatoes & Veggie

March 18 Crispy Chicken, Lime Rice & Green Beans

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

\$7.50





1:00 Darts/Euchre

1:00 Quilt/Kraft

3:00 Fitball

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"*.

1:00 Norwegian Whist

1:30 Spanish Level 3

1:30 SCRABBLE

3:00 Arthritis Exercise

1:00 Canasta

7:00 Social Line

Dance

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- L.E.A.R.N. REP. TANYA PURDY-FISCHER TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 10 A.M.
- ADVANTAGE HEARING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 (by appointment).

1:00 Military Whist

"Easter Parade"

1:30 OUTREACH

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- COFFEE, TEA & YOU: 2∞ & 4™ THURSDAY 10 A.M. IN DUNFORD DINER
- COFFEE WITH A CONSTABLE, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

1:00 Woodcarving

1:00 Trump Whist

1:00 Acrylic Painting

1:30 Spanish Level 3

7:00 Table Tennis

1:00 Floor Shuffleboard

- FREE LEGAL CONSULTATIONS FRI., MAR 11 (by appointment) with HUCKVALE LLP
 - LOCAL CASINO TRIP, TUESDAY, MARCH 15
- SHOPPERS HOME HEALTH CARE AIDS TO DAILY LIVING, FRI., MARCH 18
- TRIP RAYMOND DINNER THEATER "THE WIZARD OF OZ" FRI., MARCH 18
- DR BOLOKOSKI FOOT CARE (by appointment). FUTURE DATES INCLUDE: APR. 6; JUNE 1; JULY 27; SEPT. 21; & NOV. 16, 2016
- WINNERS BINGO MARCH 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30







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From the Desk of Val

To all of our new members I offer a warm "welcome". During the first two months of the year we have signed up over 70 new members. We hope your association with the "Friendly Centre" will be long and happy.



March is full of special days: Daylight Saving Time begins on the 13th, St. Patrick's Day on the 17th, Spring arrives on the 20th, and Easter on the 27th with its two accompanying holidays, Good Friday on the 25th and Easter Monday on the 28th. The Centre will be closed on both of those days

With the good weather our travel program becomes more active. Our first Mystery trip is already concluded and the second one is scheduled for March 9th. The theme of that trip is, **YOU ARE NEVER TOO OLD TO LEARN AND DO**. Other trips to watch for include the Movie Mill outing, Raymond Dinner Theatre to see the Wizard of Oz, and as usual the weekly Roll & Stroll friendly walk. WE NEED YOUR TRAVEL SUGGESTIONS. Where would you like to go? Please bring your ideas to the Reception Desk. We aim to put your destination on our Nord-Bridge travel itinerary.

Heather and I would like to thank all of our volunteers. You are the key to our success. Please remember to report your hours monthly. Everything you do is very important for the Centre.

OUTREACH BY CO-ORDINATOR Rodger Halvossen

A 'Valentines Afternoon' was the theme of our February Outreach event. The musical entertainment by "Tom and Curt" was certainly the highlight of the day for our 110 guests. Our faithful volunteers provided a light snack for guests. The Door Prize was taken home by Carole of the Blue Sky Lodge. Special thanks is extended to Bud and Ash who regularly MC our Outreach Program.

Our next event, "Easter Parade Party" (wear your Easter bonnet) is scheduled for Monday, March 21st. Entertainment will be provided by our own "Nord-Bridge Music Makers". We remind our guests and members to register early for this popular event.





Sheila Brust, Convener TICKLE ME FANCY WORDS

It was a beautiful day and I decided to go hiking on my favorite trail. As I was moseying along I rounded a corner and met a BAWTIE face to face and I just froze.

What is a BAWTIE you may ask? A Dog.

Scrabble meets Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in the Dunford Diner Annex. Won't you please join us for a game or two?

game or two:

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GET WELL & HEALTH WISHES ARE SENT TO:

Kae Mann, David Stock, and Ella McColl, all in hospital; and Eleanor Jockims, and Cheryl Hodgson, at home.

A cheery phone call to someone who is ill is nice. It lets those who are less fortunate than ourselves know that someone cares.



DARTS REPORT

Ken Bobinec, Convener

At our In-house Awards Luncheon on March 11th, winners of our November Tournaments will be recognized with their medals.



Darts is still going strong with about 20 players. You are all welcome to join us on most Mondays and each Wednesday at 1 p.m. Experience NOT required. We play for fun and to meet new people.

Shannon Phillips, MLA Lethbridge West

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Members can make an appointment at the Nord-Bridge Reception Desk to meet with Maria here at the Centre on the 1st or 3rd Friday of the month between 9 & 10 a.m.

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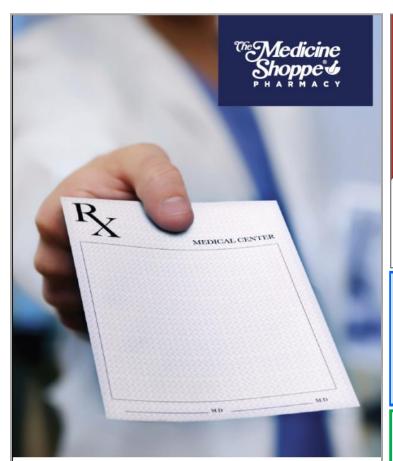
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Annual General Meeting, Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 9 a.m. in the Berlando Board Room of The Nord-Bridge Seniors Centre 1904 - 13 Ave. North, Lethbridge, AB

MEMBER NORENE IRWIN HAS REPORTED SCAM YET ANOTHER TELEPHONE SCAM:

In February, Norene received a phone message. The caller identified himself as "Officer Shaun White". He said "phone me right away at 581-500-0042. This is a legal matter. Call or get an attorney to call. If you do not, this legal situation falls on you."

Don't fall for this kind of intimidation. Do not return calls to people you don't know. To check on the validity of suspicious calls contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Hotline at 1-888-495-8501.



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here at Nord-Bridge. We have friendly, trained volunteers to help you:

Monday & Wednesday 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

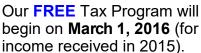
Call 403-329-3222 to make an appointment.

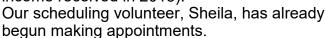
Social Acivities by Eva Deringer

We held our first social event of the year, our Annual Valentine's Luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 11. The color of roses & hearts, vibrant red, was everywhere. A sell out crown enjoyed the piano music by Yvonne. President Pat Santa was our MC and Blaine Hyggen brought greetings from The City. A hearty lunch was served by our gayly clad volunteers.

We congratulate our lucky door prize winners: Wendy Harvey, Denise Cole, Cathy Thrall, Joe Polczer, and Helen Berze. Congratulations also to Grace Ell, who was crowned "Nord-Bridge Queen of 2016". Thanks to our prize donors: Angie Fischer, and Theresa Wyberg of SANDY TOES FOOT CARE. We thank them for their generosity. On behalf of our Committee I offer sweet, heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in any way to this successful event.

Nord-Bridge Community Volunteer Income Tax Program



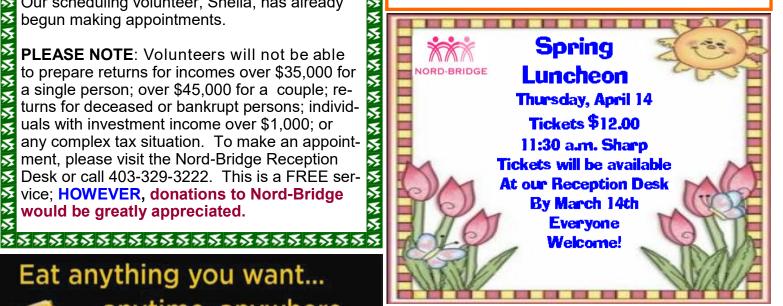


PLEASE NOTE: Volunteers will not be able to prepare returns for incomes over \$35.000 for a single person; over \$45,000 for a couple; returns for deceased or bankrupt persons: individuals with investment income over \$1,000; or any complex tax situation. To make an appointment, please visit the Nord-Bridge Reception Desk or call 403-329-3222. This is a FREE service: **HOWEVER**, donations to Nord-Bridge would be greatly appreciated.

COFFEE WITH A CONSTABLE

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PLEASE NOTE: ALL NON-MEMBERS must pay an additional \$20 for all Nord-Bridge trips.

Wednesday, March 9 **MYSTERY TRIP #2**





Tuesday, March 15th

Pick-ups start at 9:30 a.m. to arrive at the Casino by 11:15 a.m. You get a **FREE lunch while vou GAMBLE.** Bus departs Casino for home at 3 p.m. COST: \$8.00



MYSTERY BUS

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RAYMOND THEATER FRIDAY, March 18

THE WIZARD OF OZ **COST \$50 INCLUDES: Bus. Show and Dinner. Payment**



MORE SPRING TRIPS!

Tuesday, April 19 - Shop & Gamble in Medicine Hat. Cost: \$40 Includes Bus.

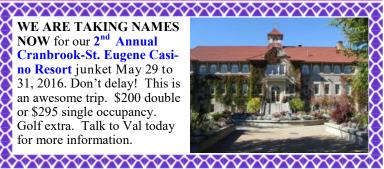




Thursday, April 28 - Mystery Mystery Trip #3 Cost: TBA Don't miss the boat! Book early!

Advance Notice: Another trip to CANMORE is now in the final planning stage. The date is Thurs., June 2, 2016. Cost: \$55.00 including travel and lunch buffet at the Legion. This trip will include shopping in downtown Canmore and a stop at the Chocolate Factory after lunch. Trip will leave at 7:30 a.m. and return 7 p.m. Sign-up sheet will be available in March.

WE ARE TAKING NAMES NOW for our 2nd Annual Cranbrook-St. Eugene Casino Resort junket May 29 to 31, 2016. Don't delay! This is an awesome trip. \$200 double or \$295 single occupancy. Golf extra. Talk to Val today for more information.



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Brochures are now available here at Nord-Bridge. A deposit of \$50 is required at sign-up. **COEUR D' ALENE CASINO**

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Contact Donna at Triple D Tours 403-394-0349 Phone. Cell 403-380-0931 or E-Mail – tripledtours@hotmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Make sure your completed registration form is stamped with "Nord-Bridge" to ensure our commission.

ROLL & STROLL / WALK 'N TALK PROGRAM continues year 'round. New walkers are always welcome to join this senior friendly program each Wednesday, from 10 a.m. until noon. If you need to get a little exercise, and don't like to walk alone, this program is for you! We go to weather appropriate destinations. COST: \$3



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Doors Open 4 p.m. Program at 5 p.m. Roast Beef Dinner at 6 p.m. Entertainment at 7 p.m. Raffle Draw at 8 p.m.



... PRESENTATION

"Galt Family of 10 Mines by Belinda Crowson. Educator, Galt Museum "Galt 8 Mine Update" "Miners Raffle Draw"



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