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# Summer travels, August heat



One of the best parts of travelling is the various encounters you have on your excursions to different locales. Our travel author, Jerry Cvach, had an adorable encounter with a fox on one of his excursions, as written in the second part of our two-part travel story, finished this month on page 16.





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# The origins of the Kerby News



Andrew McCutcheon Kerby 50th Anniversary

Look, I'll admit I'm biased.

I adore the Kerby News, but then again: I'm its editor. I should be a huge fan.

But I've managed to wait until our year of celebration is over half done to do a story for our 50th Anniversary on one of my favourite parts of Kerby Centre: our newspaper.

It's been around nearly as long as the Kerby Centre itself — about to celebrate our 40th volume! — and it's got some amazing history behind it as well, involving some incredible people.

Let's go back to the beginning of it all when the Kerby News was just a couple of volunteers,

a few sheets of paper and an old duplicator machine.

#### **Origin Story**

Lots of storied organizations and businesses have humble origins. but the Kerby News was especially humble and small.

Three volunteers in well into the 90s. the late 70s recognized the need for the centre to be able to communicate with its members. Beth Acheson, Eleanor Collett and Alice Walshe were the originators of what would be the first incarnation of the paper: a newsletter, two pages, typewritten on both sides and then printed on a they'd need some folks nigh-ancient duplicator.

Sheila Power, a the business. then-recent addition to the Kerby Centre staff, the scene was Mollie

also helped with the paper. None of them had any experience in publishing or journalism, but who would let a little thing like experience get in the way of innovation? Sheila, Beth, Eleanor and Alice would stay on volunteering and participating at the Kerby Centre

#### **Heavy Hitters**

Kerby Centre was growing exponentially in its first decade, and the Kerby Newsletter had to do its best to keep up. The dedicated volunteers had gumption and hard work on their side, but if the news was to expand, with hands-on history in

The first to arrive on

photojournalist, who returned to Calgary from Europe early in 1980. spare, she was looking for interesting volunteer be retired. But printers' work — and I know betcaffeine.

She found the newsletter and under her guidit into its next incarnation: a short monthly magazine of about eight to 12 pages, published monthly.

be the only experienced heavy hitter to help propel the Kerby News forward. Tom Moore was the next to join up.

Tom had been a lifelong newspaper worker: he had only recently retired as managing editor of The Albertan, Calgary's premiere morning newspaper until 1980 when it was absorbed by Sun Media.

Another lifer journalist and writer who semi-retirement somecouldn't keep himself times necessitates full from print, Tom would go on to assist with the Kerby News' growth, writing interesting articles which were much enjoyed by readers.

The third and final musketeer in this merry band of semi-retired news folk was James Nesbitt, who had been the former owner and editor

Good. Mollie was a of the Brooks Bulletin. He joined in 1986, and as written later about James joining up with Retired and with time to the Kerby News Crew: "James is supposed to ink has an unassailable ter than most that writing reputation for getting sticks in your veins like into the bloodstream. Witness the background of the first three editors of the Kerby News, all ance, helped transform retired journalists who cannot stay away from the newsroom."

Assisting these volunteer editors was the But Mollie wouldn't Kerby News singular employee: Barry Whitehead. Barry was taken on to do any work available to assist the editors three, whether it was taking photographs or assisting with layout. No doubt learning much from their stories and experience, Barry himself would go on to become editor of the Kerby News for several years in the future.

But alas, even retirement. Tom and Mollie had done much to help raise the Kerby News to the heights of publication: getting on to be a full-fledged monthly newspaper of over 20odd pages.

But in January 1993, both had finally hung up their tape records and editors' pen for good: the Kerby Centre Board at that time threw them a massive shindig at the Palliser Hotel in Calgary to celebrate their legacy.

I am incredibly lucky to be standing on the



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shoulders of giants, getting to produce the Kerby News now as editor.

I hope it continues for many years to come, and with that, I will leave you with a quote regarding the paper, published in the paper itself, from the 1990s:

"Time flies and according to some of the young philosophers, they who are not prepared to fly with it are destined to be left behind — it had always been up front, and Kerby News must fight to stay there."



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# Halfway through our 50th

As you are reading before, a very high perthis, we are closer to the end of our 50th anniversary year than we are to the Hat are also volunteers. start of it. As with most of It could be said that many our previous 49 years, the of our members are not 50th has been a particularly good year, and we have Unison provides them, but many of you to thank for this.

centage of our members in Calgary and Medicine only here for what benefit they are also here to create value for other members

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benefit from our classes, you. groups, and programs.

I suppose that I should also mention that many of our members are also donors and financial supporters of the programs we offer.

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This year to celebrate our 50 years of operations and to highlight some of the new things we are excited about, we are holding a 50th Anniversary Gala. This will be a very special event and we have engaged the support of Rob and Dave Kelly to help us with the program

Dave Kelly will also bring his talent as the MC for the event. In this edition of the paper, we have the first ad promoting the Gala, but as we get closer to the event you will find teasers about what you might see or experience attending the 50th Anniversary Gala showcomes from members like ing up in our social media



Larry Mathieson, CEO and President

and on our website.

Also, if you haven't checked out Andrew's 50 Stories for 50 Years, you can find them all in the Bulletin Board on our website (https://unisonalberta. com/bulletin-board/).

The links to all the stories are near the top under the heading "50."

There is a new and exciting story every week.

# Changes are coming

Change can be scary.

The scariest fear we have, as humans, is fear of the unknown. And change always comes with the potential of the unknown.

We see it a lot with the older adults in our Kerby Community. People are going through transitional periods and we do the best we can to ensure that they are supported, cared for and kept company

But change isn't good or bad, inherently. It just is: just like the wind or the rain, it is a force of nature.

We're expecting some big changes in the next six months here at the Kerby News. Let me assure you: nothing will be happening to our print publication and we have no plans to stop creating this amazing, physical edition, every month.

But come 2024, we have some exciting aesthetic changes that I'm so pleased with.

Let's raise a glass to

the future. I hope you come along with us.

Andrew McCutcheon Editor



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#### Barbara Ellis Kerby News Columnist

For the better part of seven decades, I had a big sister and she meant the world to me.

Unfortunately, I lost her a couple of years ago, but not a day goes by that I don't think of her. We were born two years and two days apart and had many things in common.

Our lives sometimes ran parallel to each other and sometimes swung widely apart, but throughout it all, we were unequivocally woven together. It is no secret that I idolized her.

From the time I could walk, I followed her everybecame her second shadow. years in Hungary. When it way of life. Within the next

times when she wished she turned, our parents decided was an only child, but for the to escape our homeland in most part, she put up with me. More than that, for the most part, she looked after me.

During our early years, our mother dressed us in identical dresses and outfits, so in a way she made me Eva's mini-me. In fact, on one of my visits to Arizona where she lived, I bought us matching tops to wear when we went out.

I suppose it was silly, but I loved it when people wantsame because we were twins We lived through the tu-

I know that there were was over and peace rehopes of finding a better life.

It took many months before our little family found a new home in the far-off continent of Australia. Eva and I learned the language and fell in love with our new country and all the amenities Sydney offered.

During our school holidays, we spent every moment we could by the seashore swimming, body surfing and just having fun.

After seven years in that ed to know if we dressed the beautiful city, our parents once again packed us up and moved us to Lethbridge,

few years, we both married. As it turned out, our young men were from Ireland.

The two of them grew up as friends in Belfast and immigrated to Canada a couple of years ahead of us. Unexpectedly, our father decided to make one more move hundreds of miles away to Pennsylvania thus leaving Eva and me behind.

Then, more than ever, we became one another's support. When my nieces were born, I shared her joy in becoming a mother and watched in admiration as she nurtured and cared for her babies.

She was a wonderful

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be, and even though she was busy, she always made time for me, listening to my problems and giving me much-needed advice.

During the next decade, life separated us. She moved to the US and I moved to Calgary but the distance did not diminish our bond it became stronger.

We talked on the telephone for hours and tried to see one another at least every other year.

We even managed to make a trip back to Hungary and visited a few of the places where we lived as children and also got to know some of our relatives.

While I only had one "blood" sister, I have also been fortunate to have many wonderful chosen sisters.

As my niece calls them, "Sisters from other mothers". I still keep in touch with a few of my friends in Sydney. Neither time nor distance has diminished these friendships made over 60 years ago.

With the advent of e-mail and things like Skype, we can keep in touch and watch our hair turn grey and our waistlines expand.

It certainly is not as wonderful as being able to be with them and hug them, but it is still a loving way to spend time together. I also made sister friends when I moved to Calgary.

First at work and then through other associations. Now that Eva is gone, one of my friends has become a sort of surrogate sister. I confide in her and often seek her advice and she has never let me down.

Recently my grand-nephew and his wife welcomed a second baby girl into their lives. Their four-year-old daughter Emilia could hardly wait for the arrival of her little sister, Sophia Mae.

I have already received several photos of Emilia holding the baby and showering her with the love that only a big sister can give. I can already see them in the future, tiny little feet following wherever her big sister leads. When I turn on my computer, several photos stream across the screen. Some are of places I have visited and some of friends and family, but the one I love most of all is the one of Eva and me. She is looking right at the camera, has a lovely smile on her face and her arm is around my shoulder. When this photo pops onto the screen, she is looking right at me. It always makes me smile and I always say, "Hello beautiful. I miss you so, my big sister".

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# **Machine-learning able to detect Alzheimers in language**

Adrianna MacPherson University of Alberta Folio

Researchers are striving to make earlier diagnosis of Alzheimer's dementia possible with a machine learning (ML) model that could one day be turned into a simple screening tool anyone with a smartphone could use.

The model was able to distinguish Alzheimer's patients from healthy controls with 70 to 75 per cent accuracy, a promising figure for the more than 747,000 Canadians who have Alzheimer's or another form of dementia.

Alzheimer's dementia can be challenging to detect at early stages, because the symptoms often start out quite subtle and can be confused with memory-related issues, typical of advanced age. But as the researchers note, the earlier potential issues are detected, the sooner patients can begin to take action.

"Before, you'd need lab work, and medical imaging, to detect brain changes; this takes time, it's expensive, and nobody gets tested this early on," says Eleni Stroulia, a professor in the Department of Computing Science who was involved in creating the model.

"If you could use mobile phones to get an early indicator, that would be informing the relationship of the patient with their physician. It would potentially start the treatment earlier, and we could even start with simple interventions at home, also with mobile devices, to slow the progression down."

screening tool A would not take the place

looked at language used acteristics that doctors by Alzheimer's demen- noted were common in tia patients, for this proj- patients with Alzheimer's ect they examined language-agnostic acoustic and linguistic speech features rather than specific words.

"The original work involved listening to what the person says, understanding what they say, the meaning. That's problem to solve," says Stroulia. "Now we're saying, listen to the voice. There are some properties in the way people speak that transcend language."

"It's much more powerful than the version different languages," says of the problem we were solving before," adds Stroulia.

dementia.

These patients tended to speak more slowly, with more pauses or disruptions in their speech. They typically used shorter words, and often had reduced intelligibility in their speech. Researchers found ways to translate could screen for.

Though the researchers focused on English and Greek speakers, "this technology has the potential to be used across Shah.

And though the model itself is complex, The researchers start- the eventual user expe-

group has previously ed with speech char- rience for a tool that incorporates it couldn't be simpler.

"A person talks into the tool, it does an analysis and makes a prediction: either yes, the person has Alzheimer's, or no they don't," says Russ Greiner, a contributor on the paper, professor in the Department of Computing Science and member of the an easier computational these characteristics into Neuroscience and Mental Agnostic speech features the model Health Institute. That information can then be brought to a health-care professional to determine the best course of action for the person.

> Stroulia are leading the the team ranked first in computational psychiatry research group at the U of A, whose members have crafted similar AI models

and tools to detect psychiatric disorders such as PTSD, schizophrenia, depression and bipolar disorder.

"Anything we can do to amplify the clinical processes, inform treatments and manage diseases sooner with less cost is great," says Stroulia.

The ML model was described in a paper, "Exploring Language-Speech Representations Using Domain Knowledge for Detecting Alzheimer's Dementia," that will appear in the ICASSP 2023 Signal Processing Both Greiner and Grand Challenge, where North America and fourth globally.



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of health-care professionals. However, in addition to aiding in earlier detection, it would create a convenient way to identify potential concerns via telehealth for patients who may face geographic or linguistic barriers to accessing services in their area, explains Zehra Shah, a master's student in the Department of Computing Science and first author of the paper.

"We can think about triaging patients using this sort of technology based entirely on speech alone," says Shah.

While the research



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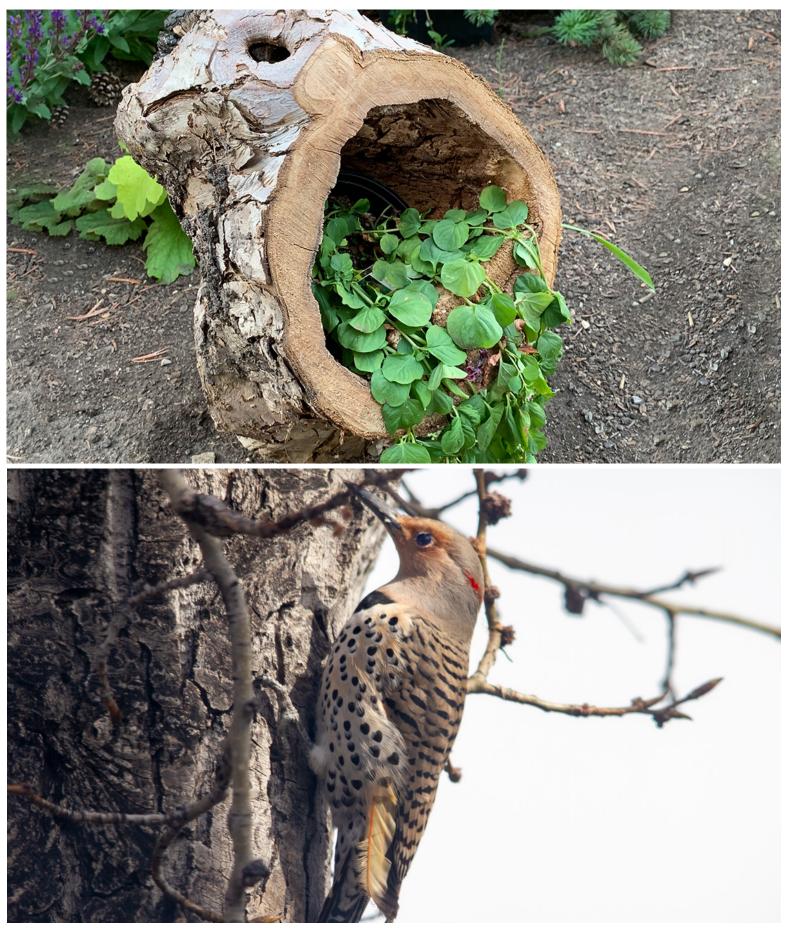
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# Does that dead tree really have to go?



# Easy is always on hand.

Photos and Story by Deborah Maier Calgary Horticultural Society

You may have noticed as you drive around the city that there are some sad looking, seemingly barely alive, trees left standing along the boulevards. If you are like me, you may have wondered why limbs are being pruned off, but the tree is not being removed ... surely, wouldn't it be better to remove it and replace it?

Dead and dying trees provide important habitat. These standing trees are called "snags". Many woodpeckers live in cavities of dead or dead areas of dying trees, including the downy woodpecker and the northern flicker that are commonly seen in Calgary. Chickadees are cavity dwellers. Some owls nest in cavities, as well. Bats, too.

While the flicker nest is usually found at the top of the tree, chickadees will nest close to the ground. This spring, in the Wall Garden at the Botanical Gardens of Silver Springs, I watched a chickadee come and go several times from a hole at the base of an old lilac.

Not only do these trees provide shelter for cavity dwellers, but they also offer twigs for nest building. Magpies, crows, and squirrels use twigs in their nests. The aging, flaking bark provides habitat for all kinds of insects, and that makes the tree a food source for insect eating critters.

Perhaps, I have made the case for keeping these boulevard trees around for a while, but how does it relate to the home garden? Last winter, many shrubs lost branches to winter kill and some even died. In the fall the weight of a wet snowfall caused branches to break. For some gardeners, their shrubs died because voles ate too many of the roots. The usual advice is to prune out the dead woody plant material and place the material in the City's green bin. Maybe this material should be kept and incorporated as a resource in the garden instead.

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In my own yard, all the old growth of were quick to remove a Nanking cherry in any "unsightly" dead the back garden died. woody plants. It was next to my bird feeder and a favour- money ite hangout spot for "natural-looking" chickadees, finches, and sparrows tree branches and waiting their turn other woody materito eat. I thought the als. Why not considbirds would miss it, er embracing the snag so I let it be. Before and make it a useful I knew it, the Alpina and interesting garclematis nearby found it and covered it with leaves about gardening the and flowers.

snowstorm, that I mentioned earlier, a major branch on my apple tree was broken. It was a living branch, so it was important to prune off the limb and make a clean cut to remove the ragged and cracked branch remnants.

The clean cut will help the wound heal and help prevent insects and diseases from entering the tree tissue. While normally that branch would have been cut into pieces that fit in the green bin, instead

I took tree-like pieces and "planted" them as deer deterrents around my apple and pear seedlings and grape vine. Not even deer like getting poked in the face by sticks. It provided a more interesting garden winterscape than the tomato cages I

In the past, we

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usually place around them in the fall.

Last spring at an Open Garden, one gardener talked about a tree that was coming to the end of its life. He was thinking about removing it, but noticed a bird was nesting in it so he was putting it off.

This spring when I visited, the dead tree was still in the garden, but now it was a trellis for clematis.

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# **U of A gathers evidence about MAID**



Public health researchers Devidas Menon (left) and Tania Stafinski (right).

#### Gillian Rutherford University of Alberta Folio

In some Canadian provinces, people who choose to receive medical assistance in dying can only access it on evenings and weekends, whereas in other provinces it's only available on weekdays during business hours.

That's while the 2016 legmedical assistance in dying, known as MAID, is a federal law, it's up to the eral health minister provinces and territories to provide healthcare services in their Alberta's project will Technology & Policy unit director Tania of MAID delivery and jurisdictions.

of Alberta team of livery across the coun-surrounding orphan practice standards for

researchers has been es of Canadians who asked to study how request MAID. This try, connecting with in our continued efexperiences.

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MAID is being deliv- research is another ered across the coun- important milestone ing them. Second, including patients, families and forts to ensure MAID providers about their practice in Canada periences Canadians condition is mental operates in a consis- have had with MAID, illness, a change that Health Canada is tent and safe manner both positive and neg- was recently put on

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#### **Decisions based** on evidence

be carried out in two es around death, and phases. First, a scan accommodating a parwill be done of all ticular illness such as existing MAID pro- ALS or cancer," she grams across the coun- notes. try including policies, processes, key chal- ered through the projlenges and promising ect will inform future practices for address- policy the team will seek to to allow MAID for understand the ex- patients whose sole ative, through inter- hold for a year by the "Our task is to views, surveys and federal government. The of Public Health to un- formation on MAID team will seek par- Health Canada is ingroups such as the ing the evidence and assis- plains study co-lead Canadian Association making a concerted islation that allowed tance in dying is a com- and professor Devidas of MAID Assessors effort to gather implex and deeply per- Menon, noting that the and Providers and partial data to inform Dying with Dignity policy Canada, and will also Stafinski says. "Our in do a social media blitz aim is to provide a to reach others.

provide valuable data Unit has previous- Stafinski explains that practice across the Now a University regarding MAID de- ly examined issues while there are model country." robot-assist- MAID setting out el-

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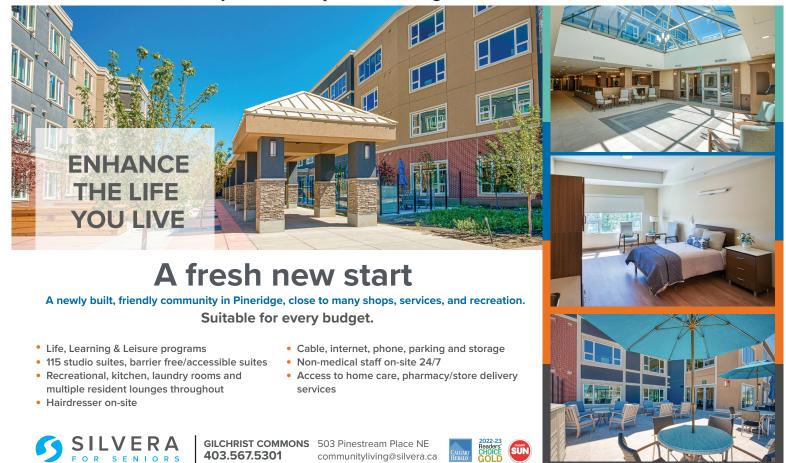
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The evidence gathdiscussions, whether

"With this project, through vesting in understanddecisions," comprehensive and Project co-lead and clearer understanding

The qualitative evidence gathered for the study will augment quantitative evidence made available in annual federal reports on MAID.

"We have been in evidence-generthe ation process for a long time, promoting evidence-based research to help inform government policy, including experiential evidence, when making decisions" says Menon. "Any step towards being able to demonstrate that and bring about change on the basis of what people are telling us and what data that we find is something I'd like to see."







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# Thank goodness for giving

By Mary O'Sullivan-Andersen - President and CEO

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Thank goodness for seniors in Canada, and all mature North Americans for that matter!

Recently an arm of Better Business Bureau known as the Wise Giving Alliance published a report about charitable giving in North America.

The research, which included more than 1,000 Canadians, clearly states that seniors (in this case 75 plus) continue to make giving a central part of their lives.

The report states that 71 per cent of this increased or main-standing of what the tained their contribu- charity will do with the tions to charity.

good news for the local community and thousands of regis- making the process for on these generous donations to fund their activities.

concerns about why demonstrating a genyounger are not donating to previously levels.

this report answer the trend for those younger question unequivocally stating they believe the wealthier citizens and trust. The world we amongst us should take live in can be polarized up the slack.

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donation, donating to This is of course charities that serve the and more accessible.

So, bravo to – mature, and dare I say, And it also raises wiser Canadians for generations erous spirt and being actively involved in recorded philanthropy.

report also The Those surveyed for notes that to reverse the than 75 charities must:

Build community and tend toward a view Among participants of charity that calls for

But charities are years, the reason most well positioned to be frequently cited was a unifying space and

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# **The 1916 Soldiers Riot** ture of the rumour going

#### Amanda Borys History writer

The White Lunch restaurant occupied the ground floor of the building at 128 8th Ave S.E., (where the Calgary TELUS Convention Centre stands now) with a second location at 108 9th Ave S.W. (near what is currently Banker's Hall)

It was a popular lunch diner with the soldiers encamped in Calgary waiting to move on to training in Valcartier, PQ before embarking overseas to fight in the trenches of France and Flanders. The restaurant's manager, Frank H. Nagel, was friendly with a number of soldiers.

However, in early February of 1916, a rumour started that Nagel had let go two returning veterans who had been employed at the restaurant and replaced them with two immigrants from German and Austria.

What had actually occurred was an employee of the restaurant had quit to enlist in the army, but was discharged due to being unfit. He was given his job back by Nagel, but fired at a later date because he refused to wash the floors. His replacement was from Austria.

When he heard the na-

around, Nagel was sufficiently concerned to request help from local military officials to quash the dangerous gossip. But it was already too late.

10, 1916 a mob of 500 uniformed soldiers, some of whom were drunk, attacked both locations of the White Lunch, as well as the McLennan Dancing Academy located above the 8th Ave site.

The Calgary City Police and the Calgary Fire Department responded before the looting began, but Lunch locations were esthe Calgary Police were outnumbered by the mob. Chief Constable Alfred Cuddy lined up his available officers, 15 in total, in front of the restaurant and asked the soldiers to leave, but a stone thrown through the front window of the restaurant incited the violence.

Cuddy was concerned any force used by the police would further antagonize the soldiers and people would be injured or killed. It was not until General Cruikshank, the CO of Military District 13, arrived that the mob disbursed.

He had been informed of events by Assistant Fire Chief Alexander "Sandy"

Carr.

The five police officers sent to protect the 9th Ave location were also unable to stop the looting for the same reason.

Nagel, his wife, and On the night of Feb. Fanny Applebaum, a cashier, were both at the 8th Ave location at the time the mob arrived. Nagel attempted to talk to the crowd, but could not make himself heard over the jeering and yelling. When the looting began, both women were allowed to leave the building unmolested.

> Damages to the White timated at \$25,000 to \$30,000 (approx. \$640,000 to \$767,000 in current dollars). The dance studio had its piano smashed, while chairs were thrown out the windows. Damage was estimated at \$1,000 (approx. \$2,500 in currnet dollars).

> The following day, a second mob of 1,500 soldiers formed and crossed the Langevin (now the Reconciliation) Bridge to loot the Riverside Hotel.

> A rumour had circulated that the German owner of the restaurant had hosted pro-German meetings at the establishment, including a celebration of the burning of the parliament buildings on Feb. 3, 1916.

The riot carried on for two hours, with alcohol stolen and every room of the hotel destroyed. The mob was eventually dispersed by the military, as the police were again outnumbered and concerned about inciting more violence.

While the former owner of the hotel was Charles Poffenroth, the current owner was Alfred E. Ebbsworth of

and the Palliser Hotel, but guards protected these locations.

The attacks were reported across Canada, including Ottawa, and discussed in the House of Commons, who pressured local military authorities to respond.

A handful of soldiers were charged for the Riverside Hotel attack and military authorities in Calgary forbade soldiers from going to local bars. They also assured the Federal Government that tighter restrictions would be brought about to prevent any more outbreaks of "anti-German excitement". Armed military guards were posted at the City Hall, the Palliser Hotel, and the brewery to prevent any more attacks.

The city council addressed the violence as well, voting 9-0 to fire any 'enemy aliens' working for the City and replace them with soldiers returning from the war. Mayor Costello went so far as to advise employers to let any German or Austrian staff go to protect their property.

Chief Constable Cuddy would later hypothesis that the attacks were planned by a German or Austrian, who enraged both soldiers and civilians. He noted that no properties owned by Germans or Austrians had been attacked.

Several soldiers were charged in light of the attacks and were represented in court by local lawyers.

Private D.J. McDonald, represented by John McKinley Cameron, was charged with taking part in a riot and destruction of property in reference to the White Lunch restaurant atenlisted on November 15, 1915 and sailed on the S.S. Olympic on May 31, 1916. While serving in France, Kraft would receive a bayonet wound to his left arm on August 18, 1917 and fracture his left hand on June 15, 1918. Kraft survived the war and returned to Calgary when demobilized on May 30, 1919, farming in the Eckville district until his death on April 17, 1943 at the age of 49.

Private Harry Hughson, a member of the 89th Battalion, was accused of theft for taking one bottle each of rye, champagne, and beer from the Riverside Hotel. Hughson was an electrician by trade when he enlisted on November 15, 1915. He was serving with the 31st Battalion when he was killed in action on September 25, 1916 during the Somme offensive.

Private Edward Heil of the 56th Battalion was arrested for stealing liquor from the Riverside Hotel. In his defense, Heil pleaded not guilty, saying the alcohol was given to him by another soldier, who asked him to hold it until the soldier could return.

Heil was found guilty. Heil enlisted on November 18, 1915 in Calgary, where he was working as a baker. Heil sailed on the S.S. Baltic on March 20, 1916 and served in France. He was admitted to hospital with pyrexia of unknown origin (a fever for which a cause cannot be determined), on July 25, 1917 and was released to return to his unit on Aug. 4, 1917.

On Aug. 11, 1917 he was absent from roll call, but returned shortly afterwards and was fined three days? pay. Heil went absent without leave again on March 16, 1919 for five hours, for which he forfeited 21 days' pay. April 25, 1919 he was sentenced to seven days in the stockade for going to town without a pass and getting drunk. Heil was discharged in Vancouver on Private J. Benner of the 56th Battalion was also charged with taking part in a riot and pleaded not guilty. It was not reported as to the outcome of his trial.



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Blackie, a British immigrant who leased the hotel to John Rioux, a French-Canadian.

The area of Calgary where known as Germantown, its inhabitants were mainly German-speakers from Russia, an ally of Britain and France.

Damage at the Riverside Hotel was estimated to have been around \$10,000 (approx. \$256,000 in 2022) dollars).

Mobs also gathered around the Kolb's Restaurant, Cronn's Café, the Calgary Furniture store,

tacks. He was found guilty and fined \$50 or 60 days in iail.

Private George the hotel was located was Stevenson was charged in the attack on the White Lunch restaurant and was represented by Barney Collison and Mark B. Peacock. He was found guilty and fined \$50 or 60 days in jail.

> Private Gottfried Kraft July 14, 1919 of the 89th Battalion was a Russian German. He was charged with throwing the rock through the front window of the White Lunch restaurant, the catalyst that started the looting. Kraft

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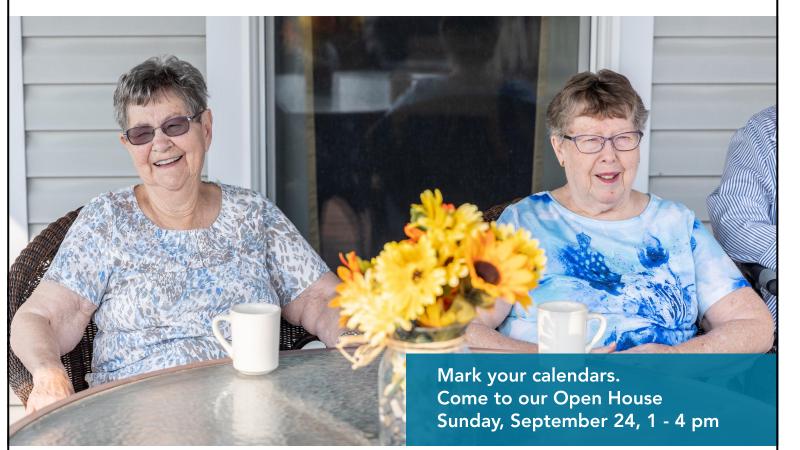


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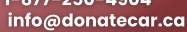
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**By Frank A. Longo** 

# 3 ailments to keep on your radar

As you get older, you may have wondered why you've seemed to get sick with colds or other viruses more often, taken longer to recover, or suffered complications to existing health conditions.

From childhood, our immune system matures, and we build up immunity to help protect us from many common viruses. This resilience built in youth gradually declines until around age 50, when the risk of infection and more serious complications starts to be more noticeable. As a result of our naturally weakening immune systems, older adults are more likely to face severe symptoms and potential hospitalization from infections that our younger selves could more easily fight off.

Here are three ailments you should have on your radar as you age:

RSV is a common respiratory virus. While most people experience mild, cold-like symptoms, this virus can be dangerous for adults aged 60 and older, and it can worsen pre-existing conditions such as asthma, COPD and congestive heart failure. RSV can have severe health impacts, including hospitalization and even death in some cases. There's currently no vaccine or treatment for RSV in adults, but regularly washing your hands, disinfecting surfaces that are touched often, and avoiding close contact with people who are sick can help reduce your risk.

Shingles is a viral infection that typically causes a painful rash on one side of the body or face. It's caused by the same virus that gives us chickenpox. If you had chickenpox in the past, the virus remains dormant in your body and can reactivate later in life as shingles. It's estimated that one in three people will experience shingles in their lifetime. Fortunately, this virus is vaccine preventable.

COPD is a lung disease that causes a narrowing of the airways and can progress slowly over a number of years, with most people diagnosed over the age of 40. Smoking is the leading cause of developing COPD, but there are other risk factors including family history and exposure to air pollutants. While the cause of COPD isn't related to immune function, people living with COPD can suffer flare ups due to common respiratory viruses such as a cold, the flu or RSV, which can worsen their condition. Although there is no cure for COPD, there are treatment options including medication and lifestyle changes that can help to support overall quality of life. Additionally, frequent hand washing and getting your annual vaccinations can help to manage symptoms and potential flare ups.

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# Volunteer Spotlight



# **Robert and Nada Kusche**

For the past year, Robert and Nada Kusche have been our fantastic, dedicated volunteers, doing food pickups, deliveries, and grocery shopping for the Shelter. They first came to Kerby because "prior to her passing in 2005, Robert's mother, Elizabeth, volunteered with Kerby for a number of years. She attended every Tuesday and knitted baby hats and socks with a group of ladies. This provided her with a sense of purpose, and she loved to talk about her connections at Kerby. This made an impact on us and, when we were looking for volunteer opportunities, we immediately thought of Kerby."

They keep coming back to volunteer because "the seniors we serve are so grateful and the need is so great. Also, the team we work with is wonderful." They also added, "We love being part of a team that has the same goals—helping seniors. We are proud to be part of all the incredible work that Kerby is doing in Calgary."

Robert and Nada love going for walks, reading, and going to the movies. Their biggest passion is cruising to new destinations each year. Referring to their favourite cruise, they said, "We have two daughters, and we took them on a 7-day cruise to Cabo San Lucas when our eldest graduated from high school. It was great to enjoy time together before our girls flew the coop."

So far, Robert and Nada, combined, have contributed over 716 hours.

Thank-you, Robert and Nada, for all you do for the Kerby Centre!

# I don't really play cards... much!

Volunteer Spotlight



# **Doug Woodhouse**

It's summertime, and what a good time to celebrate our wonderful volunteer, Doug Woodhouse. Doug started with Kerby in March of 2022, and immediately chose to be a Monitor for the Woodshop. Doug said he first came to Kerby three years ago for classes in Tai Chi.

Doug keeps coming back to volunteer because of "the interesting people that I meet, and I like the chance to work on wood projects". Doug most enjoys "Being out and meeting people" at Kerby.

As for hobbies, Doug says he likes fishing, woodworking hobby projects and gardening. We think Doug's favourite family vacation probably makes him smile. Doug said this is "taking my family to my favorite fishing spot on Mica Dam in BC."

So far, Doug has contributed over 298 hours.

Thank-you, Doug, for all you do for the Kerby Centre!

Kathy Newman No Dead Horses Writing Club

Who knew that I could have so much fun playing cards!

My parents qualified their answer when I invited them to come to Switzerland with my family, with the statement, "Only if you learn how to play Bridge!" I could see their reasoning as it would be nice to share time around the card table in the evenings after a busy day of exploring a new country; especially with our two little daughters lapping up the sights, sounds and new taste flavours. (They really missed peanut butter!) So, I learned the basics of Bridge.

However, the evening when I was partnered with my father was the end of my attempt at Bridge as he was just too serious a player and lacked the patience necessary to encourage my skills. Thus, the end of Bridge playing for me. I stuck to Crib!

Luckily, when visiting my 90-year-old Mom at her seniors' home, many years later, I was reintroduced to cards and I loved playing with Mom, Margaret, Gertrude and Anne. The game was called "65" and was a form of Rummy that started with three cards with card number 3 as the wild card. On the next hand, I was dealt 4 cards and number 4 was the wild card. Thus, the game progressed with one major difference. No one got angry with me!! If I mistakenly played the wild card, it was gently handed back to me with a smile and the ad-



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vice, "You might need that one, dear."

This wonderful group of ladies also kept me chuckling with their easy banter and spontaneous singing while waiting for their turn. "Seven old ladies were locked in the lavatory... nobody knew they were there..." had me joining in and loving every minute of the gaiety.

Mom passed away on October 16, 2008, within years of her great buddies who were all similar in age. I haven't played cards except for solitaire on my cell phone since! Maybe I need to have another stab at Bridge!

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# France 2023; Excursions - Continued from July

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#### **Excursions from Relais de l'Artuby**

In the French department Provence, along the historical route Napoléon took to return to Paris from exile in March 1815, where highway D 6085 intersects with D 21, stands Hotel le Relais de l'Artuby. There is no town, no village, just the hotel.

It is inexpensive and is frequented by tourists, construction workers or land surveyors. The food is cooked by the lady of the house, the guest rooms have old-fashioned turn keys and the Wi-Fi fades away with the length of the hallway. Yet, it possess-es that elusive "je ne sais quoi."

You can sit down on the patio with a glass of red wine and fantasize that an itinerant French Emperor passing by again!

The rural Provence is ordinarily not on the itineraries of tours that race for bigger and better sights along the Mediterranean coast.

For nostalgic reasons, we still gave the Côte d'Azur a quick drive-through. It is certainly spectacular albeit too touristy. We revisited the historic Monte Carlo with its crooked narrow medieval lanes, saw the Garibaldi palace and drove part of the F1 circuit.

We stopped in the fortified town called Eze which is perched on the top of a hill high above the sea and wondered if it could have ever been taken in battle; it is so inaccessible.

Picasso Museum in Antibes is predictably fascinating, but my favourite there is Joan Miro's ce-



Above: Riders in Arles Below: Bories

courtvard. In the afternoon we stopped in Saint-Tropez to gawk at the super-rich peoples' yachts.

But there is so much more to see in Provence! Like the already mentioned Eze, the "village perché" hangs off the sides of hills in Luberon. Naturally difficult to access they are often fortified and originated in Middle Ages. Better known are Gourdon, St. Paul and Gordes, which is farther north.

Vance, close to St. Paul, features a cathedral with Marc Chagall's mosaic and a big collection of life-size figurines depicting biblical events carved from wood. They are a naïve art not unlike Henri Rousseau's, imaginative and skillfully made.

The picturesque little Moustiers-Saintetown Marie is wedged into the cliffs rather than perched on the top of them, highlighted by the 12th-century chapel Notre Dame de Beauvoir.

The Grand Canyon of Provence is also known as the Verdon Gorge. It was carved out by the eponymous fast-running river with many white-water rapids, its lime cliffs steep.

Once the road enters the canyon it gyrates up and down, follows a contour for a bit, drops suddenly down and rises up again, hugging the cliffs. The scenario keeps repeating itself. The very narrow winding road is full of surprises. Driving is not for the squeamish.

As we came around the corner we chanced on a beautiful, healthy-looking red fox walking on the shoulder. Seeing wildlife anywhere in Western Europe is quite a treat! She appeared so delicate, so in-

may serendipitously be ramic cat sculpture in the nocent although her innocence could be questioned if you were her prey.

I stopped, but my daughter was worried about us being parked in the middle of a busy road knowing that a bunch of fast-going motorcycles was just behind us. She did not need to. The bikers also stopped instantaneously, slamming on brakes.

The little fox brought out the very best in all of us! Everyone was concerned about the god's little creature's safety: smiles and cameras came out in seconds. The fox itself was unperturbed, it must have seen people many times before and posed for us happily.

#### **Excursions from** Rousset

The Rousset town is not interesting as such, but it is a convenient travel hub. Marseille was first on our itinerary, the city I had always bypassed but was still drawn to. My hesitation was due to its size, it being way too modern and commercial and also because of its bad reputation — the drunken sailors, gangs, drugs and such.

Or it could be because of a song composed in 1792 by Claude Rouget originally titled "Chant de guerre pour l'Armée du Rhin", its lyrics brimming with blood and violence. It was nicknamed "La Marseillaise" after being sung in Paris during the French Revolution by volunteers from Marseille, and it is now the country's national anthem.

But the city is nothing like I feared. It is centred by the Vieux-Port which is rimmed by restaurants and monumental buildings.

The day's seafood catch is sold literally off the boats on the quay, while a hustler set up his chessboard right on the pavement next to it hoping to make a living by playing for money. Chess is not a "shell game", so one should have a fair chance. But beware, he is still a hustler who must be a good chess player! The city rises fairly steeply on all sides of the port. Fort Saint-Jean is guarding the bay at its entrance, the Basilique Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde high on the hill offers spectacular views back on the port. The old city lies opposite, many of its streets bedecked with garlands. Situated on a small island just outside the port is the Fort Château d'If. Like Alcatraz in San Francisco Bay, it was a prison in the past and it is where Alexandre Dumas' novel

Count of Monte Cristo begins.

The coast southeast from Marseille is quite scarcely populated, spectacular and rugged. Little ports Cassis or Cap Canaile are strewn along the beaches interspersed with cliffs suitable for climbing. The ridge trails offer hikes with ocean views.

An excursion north from Rousset to Gordes and Roussillon, another mountaintop village became memorable because of a short detour to Village des Bories, located just off the main road. We heard about it from the locals and almost missed the turnoff due to poor signage. The access road is dreadful, but it turned out to be the highlight of the day.

As the story goes, in the 15th century the previously unused land became cultivated. Those working it needed dwellings that would provide shelter from rain or the summer heat. The result is small stone houses called "bories," built without mortar from large flat stones collected in the fields. They don't have discernible walls or roofs and are often round, although a few rectangular bories are also in evidence. Their diameter is gradually reduced up to the ridge or peak. They resemble beehives.

Bories were not only used to house people - they were also animal barns, storage facilities or outdoor ovens for baking bread.

#### **Excursions from** Arles

We selected Arles for our third travel hub because of its Vincent Van Gogh connection. He not only cut off his ear there but also painted some of his best pictures.

The first day was Monday and when we arrived in the old town we found festivities all around us. It was May the 1st, the "Labour Day" in France. Streets were closed to traffic. Pedestrians mingled with horse riders wearing period costumes. Political parties of all stripes marched around with banners. Speeches were made in various town squares blocking our progress, each party supposedly rallying their supporters with the help of bull horns. Thankfully the politicking was over by noon because lunchtime is so sacrosanct in France! The fun started in the afternoon. Everyone headed towards the Roman Colosseum for a show and there were lineups for tickets.



Country folks, men, women and children bedecked in traditional cosriding perfectly tumes, groomed horses were waiting outside of the main entrance ready for their grand entrance. It was a fascinating display of regional culture.

The scene was reminiscent of the Dutch masters' paintings, mainly Vermeer's, maybe even of Rembrandt's Night Watch fame although a much brighter version.

This bucolic atmosphere contrasted with the belligerent demonstrations on the same day in Paris. The evening TV news showed violent scenes of streets full of anarchists, communists and other extremists burning cars, even buildings.

North America In Labour Day celebrates the workers and is a family day full of joy while the radical left in Paris is still as angry as ever despite all the progress in social justice achieved in the last 100 years.

French Paradox which is an observation that the French have a relatively low incidence of coronary heart diseases while indulging in cholesterol-laden food. This is supposedly due to the mitigating qualities of the red wine consumed with their food. The recommendation to drink wine for health reasons is appreciated by many, and not only in France!

That day in Arles, though, I started thinking that there is also another French Paradox, the vast social chasm between the rural dwellers, the farmers and the tradesmen that support them, who are by the nature of their occupations entrepreneurs on one side; and the Parisian intellectuals and the workers in the large industrial cities on the other.

The country folks are conservatives and the big city dwellers are the perennially unhappy "progressives". Such division exists in many countries but is conquered. The empire not only lasted 1,000 years as a result, but its legacy also continues already another 2,000 years more and counting.

Nîmes was an important outpost in the Roman province Gallia. Its public monuments are well-preserved. The Arena is still used for concerts and bullfights, and the white limestone temple Maison Carrée is one of the few Roman buildings in Europe still in perfect condition.

Avignon's most distinctive building is the massive Palais des Papes (Popes' Palace), the seat of Catholic popes from 1309 to 1377. It remained under papal rule until becoming part of France in 1791. Unfortunately, the destructive French Revolution stripped the palace of all the furnishings, but the building itself is still a sight not to be missed.

There is a bridge in We hear about the Avignon that abruptly ends in the middle of the mighty Rhône River. It collapsed many centuries ago during a flood, and it was neither repaired, nor torn down since. The bridge is known to every child from the song "Sur le Pont d'Avignon" composed in 1853 for an operetta featured in the Comic Opera of Paris. The play long since forgotten, the song became immortal as a Don't leave home without nursery rhyme.

> An ancient aqueduct bridge Pont du Gard crosses the river Gardon and its valley near Avignon. The aqueduct was built to carry fresh water over 50 km to the Roman colony of Nemausus, today Nimes. Unblemished it is one of the best-known Roman antiquities, and possibly the tallest structure they ever built!

#### **Excursions from** Chanac

On our arrival to Chanac. the square where our rented

"une boîte à clé" placed somewhere on the building. It was soon located, but the security code from our reservation did not open it.

After quite a while and spirited discussions conducted mostly by gesticulation, a cavalry arrived unexpectedly to our rescue. Some good soul remembered who the cleaning lady was and on his own initiative went to fetch her.

We found out later that the owner was vacationing in Italy, and was therefore not answering the phone and instead relied on the omnipresent, instantaneous communicational gadgets that everyone is expected to have nowadays.

After all, he had sent us an email with instructions on where the key was and how to get it full three hours before our scheduled arrival, so how come we didn't receive it? It never occurred to him that as North Americans we may not be able to access our emails while driving. He was quite indignant when we complained later.

The moral of the story is, that the times are changing very rapidly and everyone, young and old, is expected to be on top of the newest developments. Especially when travelling one must have the most recent technology, all the apps, the right SIM cards or what have you. them!

On the positive side, literally, the whole town came together to help us, culminating in the gift of a bottle of red wine to calm our nerves from a complete stranger. It was the good old-fashioned hospitality at work. Communications man to man and woman to woman, transcending the borders and cultures, still work the best!

Chanac is close to the "Gorges du Tarn", the best part of the Tarn River valley in Lozère department of Massif Central where the scenery is magnificent, and the towns on both banks of the river are ancient and unspoiled. Between Florac and Millau, the towns of Ste-Enimie, St. Chely Tarn, Les Vignes and others, plus many vaulted stone bridges and various castles can all be seen in one day. Stay longer, of course, if you want to properly explore them. We took three.

Furthermore, from Chanac one can also drive to storied towns on the famous Camino de Santiago, known in French as Chemins de Saint-Jacquesde-Compostelle route. Conques, Estaing, and Espalion all built outsized cathedrals to accommodate the mediaeval pilgrims who used to travel slowly, in large groups for safety and prayed a lot.

You can also hike trails where ancient milestones. remnants of stone retaining walls and other mysterious ruins going back centuries will allow you to let your

imagination soar!

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On the way back north we stopped in Chartres which is only 100 kilometres southwest from the Charles de Gaulle Airport.

Cathedral Notre-Dame de Chartres is 115 meters, the third tallest in France. It defies gravity. Stone reliefs inside and outside, particularly around the main entrance are extraordinary. Chagall's stained glass windows high behind the altar are stunning.

A walk along the old canal under the cathedral is less known to casual tourists but very soothing. This being the last afternoon of the last day of our vacation, we were just passing time and not paying much attention to history or looking for attractions anymore.

Yet, something must have happened around there once, judging by the name of the street nearby: "Rue de Massacre". Oh, the French and their revolutions!

Our curiosity by then was totally spent we didn't want to ask. Maybe next time.



Above:Pont du Gard. Below: The little fox

most pronounced in France.

Pleasantly surprised we did not see the well-publicized violence or its aftermath that had gripped the country shortly before we arrived, probably because we were mostly traveling in the country.

After the "Labour Day" we explored the triangle between Arles, Nîmes and Avignon. It is rich with relics of the bygone era. Romans were aggressive empire builders and wanted it to last.

Huge amounts of resources on infrastructure and public buildings were spent in all lands they had

house stood was completely deserted. Someone was supposed to meet us at 3:00 PM, and we were given a telephone number to call in an emergency.

However, nobody expected us. The only good sign was the open shutters on the second floor. We did not have a phone with a European SIM card so I asked a passerby to make a call for us but there was no answer.

Soon a crowd gathered. French are curious people and even the small commotions tend to grow into large ones. Someone suggested that there might be



# Medicine Hat

# Volunteers of the Month



Isn't this beautiful summer weather great! Hope you are all able to get out and enjoy some of it even in the evening when it is cooling down. Helen, our volunteer of the month has been helping in the Veiner Centre Bistro since 2014.

She decided it was time to get out and be around people, well doing something for the community would be good for herself and the others she great rest of the summer. can help.

Helen loves all the visiting she can do while helping in the Bistro, and the exercise is a bonus.

Helen says if there is one thing, she wishes she could be better at is Technology. I think we all wish that Helen!

Living most of her life here in Medicine Hat there is no other place she | Transport Security would rather be, loving her house and her very that you arrive at least precious cat.

On her down time Helen loves country, soft rock and Gospel music and sitting down and reading a great mystery novel.

Helen's motto is "Take one day at a time. Be kind, treat everyone the way you want to be treated." Thank you, Helen, for all you do in The Bistro and The Veiner Centre!

# Making air travel easier for seniors

News Canada

As you prepare to take to the skies this summer, you may have questions about how best to get through security screening.

Here are some tips to help you navigate the process with confidence.

First, plan to give yourself plenty of time to get to the airport.

The Canadian Air Authority recommends two hours in advance for domestic flights and three hours in advance for U.S. and international flights.

This will give you plenty of time to make your way through the airport and security screening at a comfortable pace.

Next, pack smart. When placed in your We hope you have a carry-on bag, liquids, aerosols and gels must be in containers of 100

ml or less and placed ling with a mobility in a clear, resealable aid like a walker, cane 1-litre plastic bag.

note that the 100 ml Special Needs line rule doesn't apply to prescription and non-prescription med- screening equipment ication. If you have a daily or weekly pill separator, those are screening officers can also permitted.

as well as any medication, will need to your belongings. be removed from your carry-on baggage and Family/Special Needs placed in the bin for line, let the screeninspection.

to two carry-on bags per person, medical process for you. equipment and mobility aids are not included extra time, being mindin this limit

Air travel can be challenging, especially if you up for success at you need extra sup- security screening and port. But don't let that start your trip on a stop you. At the secu- positive note. rity-screening checkpoint, there are several tion at catsa.gc.ca. options.

or wheelchair, check It's important to if there's a Family/ available.

This line features that can accommodate larger items, and the offer additional assis-Your 1-litre bag, tance if you need more time and help with

If there is no ing officers know that Remember that you require assistance. while you are limited Upon request, they'll expedite the screening

Giving yourself ful when packing and Ask for assistance. asking for assistance when needed will set

Find more informa-

If you're travel-

A low cost transportation service for adults 50+ in Medicine Hat and surrounding area



Volunteer

Veiner Vintage Transport is a volunteer-based service for generations 50+ in Medicine Hat and surrounding area.

# Launching Spring 2023

Please note, we are not currently taking client applications at this time

Eligible riders are folks who need transportation services due to income restrictions, do not drive, and are 50+.

Drivers will provide rides 8:00am - 4:30pm Monday - Friday.

Unison in Medicine Hat is based out of Veiner and Strathcona Centres. We provide programs, services, and activities for generations 50+ in the Medicine Hat and surrounding area.

#### As a Driver Volunteer you...

- receive 50% off memberships
- are reimbursed .20\$/km
- receive FREE Mint SmartWash memberships

Contact Tammy at 403-525-8657 or tammyp@unisonalberta.com

# Medicine Hat Veiner Activities What's Happening in August

Hours of Operation: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9am - 4pm, Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 9pm

## Mondays

**Board Games** 

**Tech Support** 

North MP | 1pm

Shuffleboard

Games Room | 1pm

Craft Room | 9am

South MP | 9:30am

South MP | 12:30pm

Boardroom | 1pm

Quilting

Canasta

**Euchre** 

## Tuesdays

Strathcona Arts Studio Craft Room | 9am

**Chess** North MP | 9am

**Crib** South MP | 1pm & 6:30pm

**Duplicate Bridge** North MP | 12:45pm

**Bridge** North MP | 6pm

**Board Games** Dining Room | 6:30pm

**Darts** Games Room | 6:30pm

## Wednesdays

**Mahjong** South MP | 9am

**Bocci** North MP | 9:30am

**Bridge Lessons** South MP | 12:30pm

**Scrabble** North MP | 1pm

**Pinochle** North MP | 1pm

## Thursdays

**Strathcona Arts Studio** Craft Room | 9am **Jam Session** 

South MP | 9:30am Canasta South MP | 12:30pm

**Euchre** North MP | 1pm

**Shuffleboard** Games Room | 1pm

**BINGO** Boardroom | 2pm

**Duplicate Bridge** North MP | 6pm

**Norwegian Whist** South MP | 6pm

Darts Games Room | 6:30pm Poker Boardroom | 6:30pm

**Bike Program** Front Doors | 7:30pm

## **Fridays**

**Quilting** Craft Room | 9am

**Mahjong** South MP | 9am

**Hearts** North MP | 9:30am

Kaiser Club Dining Room | 1pm

**Duplicate Bridge** North MP | 12:45pm

**Mexican Train Dominoes** South MP | 1pm

**Stitch & Laugh** Boardroom | 1pm

# **Presentations & Events**

Visit the Courses & Events section of our website for more info!

August 1 Ask a Financial Advisor – Craig Elder, RBC Dominion Securities 10am – 11am | Registration Required | South MP

August 1 Card Makers 1pm - 2pm | Registration Required | Boardroom

August 8 Alzheimer Society Care Partner Support Group 1:30pm | Craft Room | Register with Kristel (403) 528-2700

August 10 Counselling Services with Ben Feere 9am | Registration Required

# Wellness Wednesdays

For Members and Non-Members

August 2 | Movie Matinee with popcorn "Cinderella Man" | South MP | 2pm

August 9 | BrokerLink: Personal Insurance 101

Craft Room | 2pm - 4pm | Reg. Required

August 16 | Pet Therapy with Kenzy Games Room | Craft Room | 10:30am

August 16 | Revera Rocks! With Jodi Craft Room | 2pm | Registration Required

**Upcoming Event: September 30th** 

August 15 First Link Connections 1pm - 3pm | Boardroom | Register by calling 403-528-2700

#### August 16

Parkinson Association Support Group 12pm - 2pm | Register with Brienne at 403-317-7710

#### August 25

Book Club 10am | Boardroom | Register with Natasha, Programs Assistant

August 25 - 27 Scrapbooking Fanatics Starting at 4:30pm on the 25th | Registration Required Beginner Weaving Course - Learn to Weave on a Loom. Registration Required

August 30 Oral Cancer Screening 1pm - 4pm | Boardroom Registration Required

To Register for Events, Classes & Programs please call (403)529-8307 or visit us at Veiner Center

# Medicine Hat Strathcona Activities

# What's Happening in August

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 9am - 4pm

## Mondays

12pm

Table Tennis - 10am

Chair Yoga & More

Pickleball - 1pm

**Tuesdays** 

## Wednesdays

Absolute Beginner/

10am

Qigong & Chair Yoga - 12pm

Pickleball - 1pm

# Thursdays



# **Fridays**

Pickleball Lessons -8:30gm

Table Tennis - 10am

Pickleball - 1pm

# **Fitness Class Spotlight**

All fitness classes require registration

## Chair Yoga & More

12pm - 12:45pm | Mondays August 14, 21, & 28 Members: \$14 | Non-Member: \$30

# Qigong & Chair Yoga

12pm - 1pm | Wednesdays August 9, 16, & 23 Members: \$14 | Non-Member: \$30

# Absolute Beginner/Beginner Line Dancing

9am – 9:45am | Wednesdays FREE

# Tai Chi For Everyone

3pm - 4pm | Thursday July 13 - August 17 Free

# **Programs Returning in the Fall**

# Drum Fit - Online Fitness Class Free

Drum Fit - Zoom Class

Every Thursday at 10:15am be prepared to have some fun and work up a sweat! All you need is a pair of drumsticks (or substitute wooden spoons or dowels), a yoga ball (or substitute a smaller ball), and a 17-gallon bucket (or substitute a large pot or clothes basket).

To register, please contact Henrietta Fisher, Education & Recreation at 403-705-3233 or <u>henriettaf@kerbycentre.com</u>

# Muscle Strength & Core Balance - Online Free

Strong core balance is necessary for good posture, balance, mobility and safety around the house. Join Dan every Friday from 11:30am - 12:30pm for a fun workout in your own home!

To register, please contact Henrietta Fisher, Education & Recreation at 403-705-3233 or <u>henriettaf@kerbycentre.com</u>.

# **Pickleball Lessons**





Pickleball - 9am

**Beginner** Line Dancing - 9am Table Tennis -

- Fun & Fitness with Erynn
- Solid Gold Fitness with Krista
- Silver Steppers with Krista
- Hatha Yoga with Krista
- High Beginner/ Improver Line Dancing with Carol
- Yang Short Form, Yang Long Form, Chen Style Short Form, Fan Form & Weapons Form with the Tai Chi Association
- Tai Chi with Siew Mak
- Floor Curling

Feel free to drop in on Friday morning's between 8:30am - 10am to learn all about Pickleball. Joan will help you learn the fundamentals and techniques with emphasis on how much fun this sport is!

Don't wait another week, come join us in the fun!

Drop in only

To Register for Events, Classes & Programs, please call (403)529-8307 or visit us at Veiner Center

# **Active Aging Department Calgary In-Person Activities**

Welcome to the Calgary Active Aging Department highlights section. For a full listing of all our activities visit our Active Aging website – kerbycentre23.wildapricot.org

# **In-Person** Weekly Drop-In

## MONDAY

- Knitting for a Cause 10am (2nd & 4th of the month)
- Badminton & Ping Pong 10am
- Mahjong 10:30am
- Live Well Be Well Conversations llam
- Pickle Ball 2:30pm

### **TUESDAY**

- FREE Food Market 10:30am to noon in the Kerby Gym
- Memory Writing 1:30pm (3rd Tues) of each month)
- Pickleball 2:30pm

#### WEDNESDAY

- General Craft Group 9am
- Men's Shed 11am
- Weekly Dance 1pm
- Cribbage 1pm

## **THURSDAY**

- Artist Group 10am
- Kerby Centre Tours 10:30am meet in the Café
- Pickle Ball 2:30pm

#### FRIDAY

- Spanish Conversation 10am
- FREE Food Market 10:30am to noon in the Kerby Gym
- \*Tech Help 11am (must register)
- Badminton & Ping Pong 1:30pm
- English as a Second Language -1:30pm

# **FALL CLASS** REGISTRATIONS

Members can start registering for classes AUGUST IST

Non Member registration starts on AUGUST 15TH



# **New Grief Group Starting Revised** Dates

Thursdays | Aug 17 - Oct 5 | 1 pm

Join our support grief group to rediscover yourself aft loss and learn skills to start enjoying and living your best life again.

\*Registration Required

# Did you know our Kerby **Centre Memberships** are only \$25?

If you want to go on the tours listed below get a membership at the same time, YOU'LL SAVE \$5

(\$108 - \$78 = \$30 - \$25 Membership = \$5 Savings)

# Hoodoos & Royal Tyrrell Museum

# Wednesday, Aug 30 | 8 am - 6 pm

Member: \$78 | Non-Member: \$108 Cut-off Date - Wednesday, Aug 16









**TRAVEL SPOTLIGHT** 

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

**WELLNESS SPOTLIGHT** 

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

To Register for Events, Classes and Programs please visit our Active Aging section on our website, call us at (403)705-3233 or visit us at Kerby Centre on the 3rd floor.

No refunds after cut-off date.

\*Registration Required

# **TRAVEL SPOTLIGHT** Lake Louise, Moraine Lake & Morant's Curve

Monday, Sept 11 | 8 am - 6 pm

Member: \$78 | Non-Member: \$108 Cut-off Date - Monday, Aug 28 No refunds after cut-off date.

\*Registration Required



Wise Owl Boutique

1/2 Price Sale

August 14 – 18

**Discounts** are

available on

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# Active Aging Department Calgary In-Person Activities

# **Classes and Activities Spotlight**

SHOPPING SPOTLIGHT

# ACTIVE AGING SPOTLIGHT Watercolour Cards with Lettering

# Fridays | Aug 11 - Sept 1 | 10 am

Members: \$119 | Non-Member: \$139

Learn how to make a set of your own greeting cards using watercolour and informal lettering. Beginners are welcome for this class \*Supplies not include \*Registration Required





Members: \$89 | Non-Members: \$119

Build a book from scratch and fill it with fall images and some letter that you will create with a variety of mixed media. Beginners are welcome for this class. \*Registration Required

Line Dancing - Introductory Dalhousie Community Centre location Wednesdays | Aug 9 - 30 | 10 am

Members: \$29 | Non-Members: \$59

Improve your coordination, mental acuity and the boost of confidence!

\*Registration Required

# Line Dancing - Intermediate Kerby Centre location

Thursdays | Aug 10 - 31 | 1 pm Member: \$29 | Non-member: \$59

No need for a dance partner! This class will







**Active Aging Craft Sale** Thursday, Aug 31 2023 10am – 1pm Kerby Centre, Café Selected items 50% off!

Parkdale Nifty Fifty Association (NW) August 8 | 11AM - 12PM

SHOPPING SPOTLIGH

CARYA Village Commons (SE) August 9 | 1PM - 3PM

Bow Cliff Seniors 50+ (SW) August 17 | 11AM - 12PM

Northminster United Church (NW) August 23 | 1:30PM - 3PM \*New Address - 3716 - 2 St. NW Highland Park Community Association (same community, just a new address)

teach you the basics of line dance in a fun and educational setting.

\*Registration Required

# **Jubilations Presents: The** Legend of Elton John Tuesday, Sept 19 | 9:30 am - 3 pm

Member: \$65 | Non-member: \$95 Cut-off Date - Tuesday, Sept 5 Includes lunch and performance Travel by LRT or meet at the Theatre No refunds after cut-off date.

\*Registration Required



**Course Registration Fall Session** 

#### Registration opens August 1st for members and August 15th for non-members

Register in person at Kerby Centre in Room 306 or by phone at (403) 705-3233

Online registration is available now at kerbycentre23.wildapricot.org

#### Don't Miss Out!

Waiting to the last minute to register means missing out on great opportunities.

We will cancel under subscribed courses <u>one week prior</u> to first day of class. Please be sure to register early!

#### **Refund Policy**

All courses and workshops are non-refundable. If needed, course credit must be requested in writing one week prior to the course start date. Please contact the Active Aging Department to sign up.

HenriettaF@UnisonAlberta.com or (403) 705-3233

## **Classes offered in our satellite locations:**

Dalhousie Community Association (5432 Dalhart Rd NW, Calgary, AB T3A 1V6)

Ukulele Beginner! (Member \$55   Non-Member \$85) Instructor: Lorraine Smith This class is geared for those with little or no experience on the instrument. You will learn to accompany many familiar songs using chords and rhythm strums plus have fun singing while playing. You'll be playing on the first day! If you have a ukulele, bring it to class in good working order along with an electronic clip-on tuner. Don't have a uke? Please contact Active Aging for purchasing information. Instruction is for the small size varieties of ukulele - soprano, concert, or tenor.	<b>D01 Monday</b> Sept 11 – Oct 23 ( <i>No Class Oct 9</i> ) 10:30am – 11:30am Dalhousie Community Centre	
Line Dancing (Member \$34   Non-Member \$64) Instructor: Glenis Martin No need for a dance partner! This class will teach you the basics of line dance in a fun and educational setting. Look forward to improving your coordination, mental acuity and the boost of confidence you will gain as you master your new dance skills.	Introductory D02 Wednesday Sept 13 – Oct 4 10:00am – 11:00am Dalhousie Community Centre	

#### Wild Rose Church (1317 1 St NW, Calgary, AB T2M 2S5)

TBA Please see our website for details.

#### **Zoom Courses**

We are pleased to announce we will be continuing to offer Zoom Classes this fall! If you have not yet registered, please contact Active Aging to sign up!

#### HenriettaF@UnisonAlberta.com or (403) 705-3233

#### FREE Zoom Classes for Unison at Kerby Centre Members

- Fitness with Dan
- Drum Fit
- Chen Tai Chi & Tai Chi Qi Gong
- Muscle Strength & Core Balance
- Yoga for You
- English as a Second Language

Paper Collage Art (Member \$70   Non-Member \$100)Instructor: Sally Towers-SybblisDiscover the art of paper collage in this online class. Unleash your creativity as you learnto blend images, textures, and colours to create stunning visual compositions. No priorexperience required – a supply list will be provided after registration. Join us and dive intothe world of paper collage!	<b>Z01 Tuesday Sept 12 – Oct 17</b> 10:00am – 12:00pm Online
Watercolor Beginner! (Member \$120   Non-Member \$150) Instructor: Sally Towers-Sybblis	<b>Z02 Friday</b> Sept 15 – Oct 20

The cost of supplies is not included in the price. Please bring a natural-hair paint brush, cotton watercolour paper, and paint to class.	Online	
Learn the basics of watercolour painting by creating artist trading card size watercolours. These are small watercolours that are 2.75x3.75" in size. Each week we will learn a new landscape technique. This class is perfect if you are new to watercolour painting.		
<ul> <li>Ski Fit (Member \$64   SASC Member \$74   Non Member \$84 per session)</li> <li><u>Instructor</u>: Dan Leung</li> <li>With winter just around the corner, it's time to prepare for ski season. This six-week conditioning course will focus on balance &amp; strength training exercises designed to get you ready for the hill!</li> </ul>	<b>Z03 Monday &amp; Thursday</b> <b>Sept 18 – Oct 30</b> ( <i>No Class Oct 9</i> ) 11:00am – 12:00pm Online	
	<b>Z04 Monday &amp; Thursday Nov 6 – Dec 14</b> 11:00am – 12:00pm Online	

Active Living Courses Appropriate workout attire and footwear are required for	all fitness classes
Chen Tai Chi & Tai Chi Qi Gong (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Adrian Buczek Chen Tai Chi and Tai Chi Qi Gong is a series of movements and poses that make up a meditative form of exercise with both physical and spiritual health benefits. The continuous ebb and flow of the circulatory, respiratory and lymphatic systems helps to reduce stress, increase coordination, balance and range of motion.	<b>A01 Thursday</b> <b>Sept 14 – Dec 7</b> ( <i>No Class Nov 23</i> ) 2:15pm – 3:15pm Room 205
Fitness with Dan (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Dan Leung Traditional aerobics class with emphasis on cardiovascular training. Options are given for strength training using weights or resistance bands. You are encouraged to work at your own pace.	<b>A02 Wednesday Sept 13 – Nov 29</b> 10:00am – 11:00am Gymnasium
Muscle Strength & Core Balance (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Dan Leung Strong core balance is necessary for good posture, balance, mobility and safety around the house. Various equipment will be used to train muscles associated with activities for daily living.	<b>A03 Friday</b> <b>Sept 15 – Dec 8</b> ( <i>No Class Sept 29)</i> 9:00am – 10:00am Gymnasium
Stretching & Mobility (Member \$44   Non-Member \$74) Instructor: Suraj Gurung Improve your flexibility, enhance your range of motion, and rejuvenate your body with our specialized Stretching and Mobility Class tailored just for you. Don't let stiffness and immobility hold you back from enjoying a vibrant and active lifestyle. Join us and unlock the power of movement!	<b>A04 Tuesday</b> <b>Sept 19 – Oct 24</b> (6 Weeks) 10:30am – 11:30pm Room 305
Feet to the Beat (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Kym Butler Are you looking to shake up your fitness routine? Develop and maintain coordination, agility, balance and overall mobility through a better understanding of music and rhythm.	<b>A05 Friday</b> <b>Sept 22 – Dec 15</b> ( <i>No Class Oct 13</i> ) 1:00pm – 2:00pm Room 205
Line Dancing (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94 per course) Instructor: Glenis Martin No need for a dance partner! This class will teach you the basics of line dance in a fun and educational setting. Look forward to improving your coordination, mental acuity and the boost of confidence you will gain as you master your new dance skills.	Introductory Level I A06 Monday Sept 11 – Dec 4 (No Class Oct 9) 1:00pm – 2:00pm Gymnasium Introductory Level I A07 Thursday Sept 14 – Nov 30 11:30am – 12:30pm Gymnasium Intermediate Level I (with some experience) A08 Thursday Sept 14 – Nov 30 1:00pm – 2:00pm Gymnasium
Bollywood Freestyle Dance (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Payel Ghosh Whether you're looking to enhance your dance skills, improve your fitness level, or simply have a great time, this course is for you. Get ready to immerse yourself in the vibrant	<b>A09 Thursday</b> <b>Sept 14 – Dec 7</b> ( <i>No Class Nov 23</i> ) 1:00pm – 2:00pm Room 205

world of Bollywood dance, where every step is an expression of joy, passion, and celebration. This course is designed for beginners and dance enthusiasts alike, with no prior experience required.	Room 205
Chair Yoga (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Gina Komanac Improve range of motion and learn ways to relax, release and rejuvenate. Learn basic yoga postures in a comfortable and social environment. Options provided for all levels.	<b>A10 Wednesday</b> <b>Sept 13 – Dec 6</b> ( <i>No Class Sept 27</i> ) 1:15pm – 2:15pm Room 205
Yoga for You (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94) Instructor: Gina Komanac In this class you will learn kind and beneficial yoga poses while increasing strength and balance, both physically and mentally. You must be able to get up and down off of the floor, but a chair can be used for additional confidence in the class. Come for an enjoyable hour of exercise in a safe and supportive environment! Please provide your own yoga mat.	<b>All Monday</b> Sept 11 – Dec 4 ( <i>No Class Oct 9</i> ) 11:30am – 12:30pm Room 205

Zumba Gold (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94 per course) Instructor: Maaike Seaward Zumba Gold is an easy-to-follow program that lets you move to the beat at your own speed. It's an invigorating, community-oriented dance-fitness class that feels fresh and most of all exhilarating! Classes will provide modified, low-impact moves for active older adults or anyone looking for a low impact, low intensity workout. Come lose yourself in the Latin music and rhythms that will make you feel uplifted!	A12 Tuesday Sept 12 – Nov 28 10:00am – 11:00am Room 205 A13 Thursday Sept 14 – Nov 30 10:00am – 11:00am Gymnasium
<ul> <li>Bhangra Basics! (Member \$64   Non-Member \$94)</li> <li>Instructor: Payel Ghosh</li> <li>Bhangra is a traditional and energetic folk dance of Punjab. This fun and joyful style of dance transcends barriers of language &amp; culture and is enjoyed by millions across the globe. No experience is needed as we will take a step by step approach to each dance. Come out and try something new and fun—the experience will leave your whole body smiling!</li> </ul>	<b>A14 Wednesday</b> <b>Sept 13 – Nov 29</b> 1:00pm – 2:00pm Gymnasium
Academic Courses Arts	
Arts in the Afternoon: Acrylic (Member \$140   Non-Member \$160 per course) Instructor: Carol Marasco This course is designed for students who are looking to learn how to paint and have a little fun along the way. Beginners need not be daunted! Carol will guide you step by step to create a finished acrylic painting each week. Classes will cover blending, reflection, depth, various brush techniques and more. All supplies are included.	<b>B01 Wednesday</b> Sept 13 – Oct 18 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 313 <b>B02 Wednesday</b> Nov 1 – Dec 6 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 313
Drawing (Member \$90   Non-Member \$120 per course) Instructor: Tayebe Joodaki Have you always been interested in drawing, but never really knew how to get started or how to advance your technique? If so, then this is definitely the place for you! Gain a solid foundation and understanding of the basics to drawing and become the artist you've always dreamed you could be! Supplies not included.	Beginner Drawing B03 Monday Sept 11 – Oct 23 (No class Oct 9) 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 313 Intermediate Drawing B04 Monday Oct 30 – Dec 4 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 313
Oil Painting! (Member \$90   Non-Member \$120 per course) Instructor: Tayebe Joodaki Design for beginner oil painters. This will teach you new technique and help to develop your style. Supplies not included. Please bring your own supplies: Oil paints, Some brushes in different sizes, Canvas, Palette, Palette knife, Odorless thinner, Linseed oil.	Beginner Oil Painting B05 Wednesday Sept 13 – Oct 25 (No Class Oct 18) 10:00am – 12:00pm Art Studio Intermediate Oil Painting B06 Wednesday Nov 8 – Dec 13 10:00am – 12:00pm Art Studio
Calligraphy Letters & Greeting Cards (Member \$90   Non-Member \$120) Instructor: Renate Worthington	B07 Monday Oct 2 – Nov 13 (No Class Oct 9)

Using a few different lettering styles, we will add simple designs to create several customized cards for your friends and family. Handouts and instruction for lettering and card designs will be supplied. Most materials will be provided. Some calligraphy experience is helpful but not essential.	10:00am – 12:00pm Room 301
<b>Watercolour</b> (Member \$144   Non-Member \$174) Instructor: TBA	<b>ВОВ</b> ТВА
The cost of supplies is not included in the price. Please bring a natural-hair paint brush, cotton watercolour paper, and paint to class.	<b>B09</b> TBA
Have you been an admirer of watercolour from afar but now are looking to learn the skill of watercolour painting for yourself? This class may be for you!	

Languages	
<b>Spanish</b> (Member \$140   Non-Member \$170 per course) Instructor: Norah Hutchinson	
The textbook used for all Spanish levels is "Dicho y Hecho: Beginning Spanish" Sixth Edition C. Dawson. It may be purchased through Amazon.com and/or AbeBooks.com. Please ensu	
<b>Spanish Grammar I – Beginner</b> A comprehensive course for students with no prior knowledge of Spanish. We will learn basic grammar and vocabulary through training and listening, speaking, reading and writing. Chapters 1-3 will be covered.	<b>B10 Monday</b> <b>Sept 18 – Dec 11</b> ( <i>No Class Oct 9</i> ) 10:00am – 12:00pm Room 311
<b>Spanish Grammar II</b> A continuation of Spanish Grammar I with basic vocabulary and grammatical conjugations. Oral, listening, reading and writing activities are included. Prerequisite: Spanish Grammar I or equivalent. Chapters 4-6 will be covered.	<b>B11 Tuesday Sept 19 – Dec 5</b> 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 311
Spanish Grammar III A continuation of Spanish Grammar II. For those students with a basic level of Spanish who want to improve their written, conversational and listening skills. Students will be able to deal with most situations likely to arise when travelling or living in an area where Spanish is spoken. Chapters 7-9 will be covered.	<b>B12 Tuesday Sept 19 – Dec 5</b> 10:00am – 12:00pm Room 311
<b>Spanish Grammar IV</b> A continuation of Spanish Grammar III. Chapters 10-12 will be covered.	<b>B13 Thursday</b> <b>Sept 21 – Dec 7</b> 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 311
Advanced Grammar This course is aimed to brush up and improve your Spanish language skills for students who have finished studying the textbook Dicho y Hecho/Grammar 1 - 5 or equivalent. A complete refresher from the basics to in depth grammar topics. Material will be presented through visual and orderly summaries of rules and essential vocabulary. Emphasis is on practice, situational activities, and comprehensive study of troublesome areas of interest. Minimum prerequisite Grammar 5.	<b>B14 Wednesday</b> <b>Sept 20 – Dec 6</b> 10:00am – 12:00pm Room 312
<b>Spanish Conversation I</b> This course is designed for students who have finished levels 1 – 5 of grammar and are ready to put into practice their knowledge. You will have the opportunity to engage in conversations based on familiar topics and a variety of common daily and social situations. Focus is on interaction with peers. Minimum prerequisite Grammar V.	<b>B15 Wednesday</b> <b>Sept 20 – Dec 6</b> 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 311
<b>Spanish Conversation II</b> This course is designed for students with strong knowledge of grammar and have taken previous conversation courses. It will give an opportunity to: speak the language through discussion of selected material and topics of interest; engage in extended conversations with some fluency and control of grammatical patterns, descriptions & narrations of factual events; and recognize frequently used spoken words, expressions and questions in familiar contexts. Emphasis will continue to be on interaction, with a focus on pronunciation, listening and comprehension. Minimum Prerequisite: Grammar V plus.	<b>B16 Monday</b> Sept 18 – Dec 11 ( <i>No Class Oct 9</i> ) 1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 311
Mandarin for Beginners! (Member \$55   Non-Member \$85) Instructor: Hong Wang	B17 Thursday Sept 14 – Nov 2 (8 Weeks)

(8 Weeks) 4:00pm – 5:00pm Room 312
<b>B18 Friday</b> <b>Sept 15 – Dec 1</b> 10:00am – 12:00pm
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B19 Monday Sept 11 – Oct 23
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<u>Sing &amp; Play</u>			
Singing Circle (Member \$60   Non-Member \$90) Instructor: Barry Luft Welcome to our long-standing Singing Circle! Bring yourself and your love of singing to a dynamic group of people who sing out strongly on those old well-known songs. However, note that our rules include no song books, lyric sheets or visual aid of any kind including cell phones. We have a well-stocked song bag of popular titles to help move things along if memory fails. So, come along to experience the real joy of community singing! "I'll look for you if I'm ever back this way".	<b>B20 Thursday Sept 14 – Nov 30</b> 10:30am – 11:30am Room 305		
Ukulele Magic! Intermediate Hodge Podge Raising the Level of Musicianship (Member \$105   Non Member \$135) Instructor: Barry Luft We will review the uke-friendly keys, perfect the "calypso" strum, introduce tablature notation, and further train our playing-by-ear skills. Lots of strumming while singing	<b>B21 Wednesday Sept 13 – Nov 29</b> 11:15am – 12:15pm Room 305		
songs will be practiced in large and small groups as well as in solo contexts. And, a few finger-picking patterns will be introduced. Does this all sound like fun or what!? Alumni are always welcome to register. <i>Pre-requisite: And intermediate-level course and familiarity with the Nashville Numbering System</i> .			
Ukulele Magic! Advanced Play & Sing Strum Like the Wind & Sing With Authority ( <i>Member.</i> \$105   Non-Member. \$135) Instructor: Barry Luft We will focus on ukulele skills as they apply to song accompaniment, strumming variations, and some finger-picking patterns. Regular playing-by-ear exercises will be	<b>B22 Wednesday Sept 13 – Nov 29</b> 10:00am – 11:00am Room 305		
practiced also. Solos will be encouraged and small group presentations organized. The instructor will partner with class members to continually raise their level of musicianship. Alumni are always welcome to register. Pre-requisite: An intermediate-level course, familiarity with a handful of "keys", and a working knowledge of the Nashville Numbering System.			
Guitar Basics! (Member \$105   Non-Member \$135) Instructor: Kaitlyn Southgate This class will have you ready to pull out your guitar and sing along to old favourites in no time! This class is geared to individuals with little or no previous experience, or those who may be looking for a little refresher. You'll be learning basic chords and strumming patterns while also singing along! If you have a guitar, bring it to class in good working order along with an electronic tuner.	<b>B23 Thursday</b> <b>Sept 14 – Nov 30</b> 12:30pm – 1:30pm Room 305		
Kerby Chorus (Member \$70   Non-Member \$100)         Instructor: Alison Demeter         Although this class may offer the opportunity to perform solos or in small groups, the focus of the class is to work within a supportive large group setting. We will begin to prepare songs for performances at the end of the fall session in December. Unlike most choirs, instead of using sheet music, we will use lyric sheets and audio tracks to learn and practice the songs. A great voice and/or previous singing experience is not required – only a desire to sing and a willingness to have fun with others!         Please note: People who have only sung using sheet music and/or people with perfect or relative pitch may find the class challenging.	<b>B24 Tuesday</b> <b>Sept 5 – Dec 5</b> ( <i>No Class on Sept 12 &amp; 26</i> ) 1:15pm – 2:45pm Room 205		
<b>Tunes on Tuesday</b> ( <i>Member: \$60   Non-Member \$90</i> ) <u>Instructor:</u> Alison Demeter Do you know what activity relieves stress, stimulates your immune response, improves	<b>B25 Tuesday</b> <b>Sept 5 – Dec 5</b> ( <i>No Class Sept 12 &amp; 26</i> ) 11:15am – 12:45pm		

your lung function, helps with memory, and develops a sense of belonging and connection – all while you enjoy yourself? The answer is... singing "Tunes on Tuesdays!" You don't need to have a great voice and no previous singing experience is necessary... just a desire and willingness to choose a favourite song from the songbook, sing it with the group, and have some fun!

#### **General Interests**

Still-life Drawing	Member \$50   Non-Member \$80	)
Instructor: Tayebe	Joodaki	

This workshop is a great opportunity for all levels of students who are interested in learning about still-life drawing. Whether you are a beginner or an advanced student, there is something new to learn. The workshop covers the essential rules of still-life drawing. It's a great chance to improve your skills and gain some new knowledge. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity!

Supplies: Pencils (HB, 3B and 6B), Sketch Book and eraser

**B26 Wednesday Oct 18** 10:00am – 1:00pm Room 313

Portrait Drawing (Member. \$50   Non-Member. \$80) Instructor: Tayebe Joodaki	B27 Monday Oct 23		
This workshop is a great opportunity for all levels of students who are interested in learning about Portrait drawing. Whether you are a beginner or an advanced student, there is something new to learn. The workshop covers the essential rules of portrait drawing. It's a great chance to improve your skills and gain some new knowledge. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity!	10:00am – 1:00pm Room 313		
Supplies: Pencils (HB, 3B and 6B), Sketch Book and eraser			
<b>Creative Crafts! Fabric Painting Workshop</b> (Member \$30   Non-Member \$60) Instructor: Mareb Alrawaf	B28 Tuesday Oct 24		
This workshop is designed to release your hidden artistic abilities and promote the positive benefits of art. Join us and create your own unique tote bag. Supplies will be provided – Tote Bag, Brush and Fabric Paint.	1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 313		
Paint & Sip Special: Member Only (Member Only \$60) Event Instructor: Carol Marasco	B29 Wednesday Dec 13		
All supplies and "Wine & Cheese" are included.	1:00pm – 3:00pm Room 305		
Join us for a fun afternoon and let your artistic style run a little wild! No painting experience necessary!			
Indigenous Drum Making Workshop Instructor: Chantal Chagnon	ВЗО ТВА		
Indigenous Building Capacity Workshop: Truth & Reconciliation Combined with Medicine Wheel Teaching & Sharing Circle ( <i>Member \$70   Non-member \$100</i> ) Instructor: Cheryl Chagnon	<b>B31 TBA</b> 8:30am – 4:30pm		
Mahjong (Member \$25   Non-Member \$55) Instructor: Swee Wong	<b>B32 Monday</b> Oct 16, 23 and 30 10:30am – 12:30pm		
Have you always been interested in mahjong but didn't know where to start? Our three- week introductory workshop will teach you the basics and prepare you to join our ongoing Monday drop in group.	Room 312		
Self-Protection (Member \$30   Non-Member \$60) Instructor: Don Muldoon	B33 Tuesday Nov 21		
Regardless of your size or strength, there are several simple self-defense techniques you can learn to protect yourself. These skills are an effective way of creating a diversion and can be learned by anyone. Both verbal and physical skills will be taught.	10:00am – 12:00pm Room 305		
Safety First!"Developing Skills for Preemptive Action" (Member: \$30 Non Member: \$60) Instructor: Don Muldoon	B34 Tuesday Sept 19		
Learn to prioritize safety with our 'Safety First' workshop. Develop the essential skills for preemptive action and gain the confidence to recognize and respond to potential threats effectively. Join us to secure a safer tomorrow!	10:00am – 12:00pm Room 301		
<b>The Art of Difficult Conversation</b> ( <i>Member \$30   Non-Member \$60</i> ) <u>Instructor:</u> Don Muldoon	B35 Tuesday Oct 17		
Join our workshop to learn effective strategies and communication techniques for navigating challenging discussions with confidence and success. Develop your skills in conflict resolution, active listening, and building positive relationships.	10:00am – 12:00pm Room 301		
Digital Skills Training			

<b>Digital Skills Training</b>
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Using your Android (Member: \$20 Non Member: \$50) Instructor: Anika Ongjoco This course is designed to teach you how to use your smart phone app to make your life easier. You can learn to plan trip with google map, photo editing, social networking and gaming etc Bring your smart phone with you in the class.	<b>B36 Friday</b> Sept 15 – Oct 6 3:00pm – 4:00pm Room 301		
Social Media for Beginners (Member: \$20 Non Member: \$50) Instructor: Anika Ongjoco Learn the social media platform to stay engaged with life and maintaining relationship with other people. Share your photos and videos with the loved one's.	<b>B37 Friday</b> Oct 27 – Nov 17 3:00pm – 4:00pm Room 301		

# **Active Aging Department Unison Online Activities**

# **Online Weekly Activities**

Monday Fitness with Dan - 9:30am

English as a Second Language - 1pm

Chair Yoga - 2pm

Tuesday Tai Chi - 1:30pm

Wednesday Men's Shed - 11am

Thursday Yoga for you - 9am

Drum Fit - 10:15am

Friday Muscle Strength & Core Balance - 11:30am

# **Paper Collage Art**

## Tuesdays, Sept 12 - Oct 17 | 10 am

Member: \$70 | Non-Member: \$100

Discover the art of paper collage in this online class. Unleash your creativity as you learn to blend images, textures, and colours to create stunning visual compositions. No prior experience required - a supply list will be provided after registration. Join us and dive into the world of paper collage!

\*Registration Required

# **Ski Fit**

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# Mon & Thurs, Sept 18 - Oct 30 | 10 am

Member: \$64 | SASC Member \$74 | Non-Member: \$84

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#### \*Registration Required



To Register for Events, Classes and Programs please visit Kerby's Active Aging website, contact our Active Aging Team henriettaf@UnisonAlberta.com, or visit us at Kerby Centre on the third floor-room 306.



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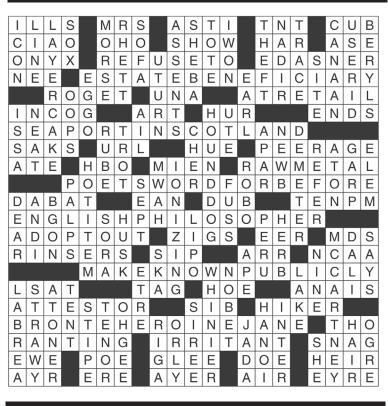
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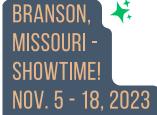
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Wednesday, September 27

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**27th** 

10 am - 3 pm

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# **Important notice for Kerby News readers**

loyal monthly readers of the Kerby News:

It can be difficult to stay relevant as a print publication in 2023, but the Kerby News does an excellent job.

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> However, in order to keep our paper relevant, physical and free, we often have to make changes: some small, some drastic.

Our Seniors Listing section was born out of our Classified section as a way for older adults to list items as a method of Buy and Sell.

Due to the increase of free platforms like Kijiji or Facebook Marketplace, we do not receive sufficient listings to justify continuing the section.

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Therefore this issue will be the last month the Seniors Listings will be featured.

We appreciate your understanding.

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