



## **Seniors Community Conversation Notes:**

**February 7, 2024**

### **Ann Thomas, Jasper Seniors Society:**

- Bi-weekly Fitzhugh article and Weekly Newsletter going out to all members
- Pancake Dinner for Shrove Tuesday on Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, 5.30-7 PM at McCready Centre by donation. Proceeds from this event will be given to Glenda's Soup for You program.
- Seniors Dinner will be hosted April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Details coming soon.
- Seniors Society Meeting Monday, Feb 12 at 1.30 PM at the Senior's lounge.

### **Sheila Couture, Jasper Yellowhead Museum and Archives**

- Looking for volunteers to continue bottle refundable program that generates funding for the museum/ or different approach to how the program is run. Contact the museum Heather for information. Current volunteer commitment is 1hr. daily and 2hrs once a week.

### **Kacie Whyte, Community Outreach Services**

- Prime Time program for adults 55+ has launched every Wednesday 1.30 -3 PM in the Quorum room. Upcoming topics: Frauds and scams with the RCMP, falls prevention with Jasper Physio, coffee & chat, Matinee movie screening, Happiness program, bolstering your brain and mental wellness. See calendar for details.
- Looking into a volunteer-based program called Drive Happiness. Program is like Uber for seniors offering local transportation to appointments and programming. Welcoming feedback.
- Please express interest in attending Mental First Aid for senior's course. Program will run if a minimum attendance is reached.

### **Tasha Porttin, Jasper Mettra Pharmacy**

- Mettra has a Coldest Night of the Year team and is accepting donations in store as well as online <https://cnoy.org/location/jasper>
- Thank you to Pursuit Community Fund for their generous donation to Mettra's Coldest night of the year fundraising.

### **Traudi Golla, Jasper Municipal Library**

- Library is now open on Mondays 10am -5pm.
- Food for Fines will run the entire month of February. Non-perishable food donations accepted at the library.
- Book Club meeting February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Still time to pick up the first book and join!
- Insight into homelessness on Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm and Visible mending for clothing Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm. Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Tag Wilson will share experiences from the war in the Ukraine.
- From the Stacks every second Thursday 10am Adults and seniors welcome. Wednesdays 10.30am Knitting group.



- Library will be soon be hiring a F/T term Library Clerk and Programmer. Position to start mid-April.
- Library is accepting cash donations for Coldest Night of the Year fundraising.

### **Jo Ann Sherlow, Fitness & Aquatic Centre**

- Aqua Fit Tuesdays and Thursdays 6, 8. Currently openings on a waitlist.
- Seeing high attendance at the gym.
- February in collaboration with Tonquin Inn. More details to come.
- Trend: Staff have seen an increase in requests for subsidized/ free passes through CFS.
- Saw a drop in purchaser of annual passes in January.
- Get to know the Gym available with Dorian by request. Between 9-11am.
- Activity Centre remains open with lots happening including Shinney Hockey, Free Skate, Roller skating, Coffee Connections, Soup program & Food Recovery fridges.

### **Christine, Community Outreach Services**

- Attending to introduce as the new general outreach worker.

### **Melissa Day, Community Development**

- Community Dinner is seeing record attendance of 500-600 people each week. Sundays until March. Seniors and people with diverse needs will be seated first at the **new** time of 4.30pm. Families with young children at 5pm and Everyone welcome from 5.30pm.
- The Library of Things is still open at the Jasper Activity Centre. [Check out what's available on the website.](#)
- ESS are always looking for volunteers with training opportunities

### **What do you think?**

- ✓ [Engage Jasper – Jasper's brand-new online engagement portal. It's a place to share your ideas and provide feedback.](#)
- ✓ [Municipal public engagement opportunities](#)
- ✓ [Give feedback, contact council or report an issue.](#)
- ✓ [You can also contact council by emailing them.](#)

### **Promote your program or event:**

- ✓ [Check the Community Calendar to find out what's going on in Jasper.](#)
- ✓ [Add your program or event to the calendar.](#)

### **Share your passion:**

- ✓ [Fill out this form](#) and we will contact you to discuss your idea!

### **All things Community Conversations:**

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**Do you have neighbours or colleagues who are new to Jasper?**

- ✓ The [New to Jasper page of the website](#) has helpful information for them.
- ✓ Welcome them to your neighbourhood using our [welcome bags](#).
- ✓ [Plan a neighbourhood gathering using our Neighbourhood Connections program](#).

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