



Seniors Community Conversation Notes: April 5th, 2023

TRENDS:

- Seniors' Society is active, promoting items and has over 100 members including a lot of new members.
- Victims Services use has slowed. There has been 19 referrals in the first quarter when there usually is 30-40.
- The Employment Centre is seeing an uptick in senior job seekers.
- Lots of seniors are not getting the benefits and credits they are entitled to.
- Not a lot of applications to live in Alpine Summit.
- Activity Centre is becoming a hub of activity.

COMMUNITY UPDATES:

- Excited to have people back in Alpine Summit. There are 2 empty rooms. Once you refuse a spot twice, you are off the waitlist. There are 7 spaces available for independent living and 0 for assisted living.
- It costs \$20 to travel to Hinton on the Alpine Traveler, and \$7 to travel around Jasper (on Fridays). You can privately book the Alpine Traveler through Christina.
- Evergreens just manages the tenants at Pine Grove but there are no services like activities planned for that group. In the past a social club planned activities for Pine Grove residents.
- The proposal to extend complimentary rec. passes to seniors, ages 75+, will be at Council on Tuesday the 11th.
- The Activity Centre renovations are going well.
- Pickleball will be outdoors this year.
- Jasper Seniors Housing Society (JSHS) has 31 members with Paul Butler being Chair of the Board. People seem happy and engaged. JSHS doing a site capacity study. Assistance is coming from the Evergreens Foundation. They are projecting a 4-year time frame to develop units.
- Mental Health First Aid for seniors was cancelled (spring break) due to low enrolment.
- Municipal Council conducted a Business Walk doing a labour force survey.
- The Seniors' Society goal is to be more representative of all seniors.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS OR EVENTS:

- Senior's Society Spring Dinner on April 24th. Jasper Theatre.
- Entrance from Bonhomme Street at the Activity Centre will be closed next week.
- Alberta Health Services (AHS) program was 6 weeks long and really well received.
- Tai Chi is still happening every Tuesday in the Activity Centre.
- Habitat for the Arts is having bread making classes and music on Fridays.
- There is a slow art course coming up at Habitat.
- There is a writing program at the Library.
- Municipality donated a wall to UPLIFT along with \$25K of sponsorship. Volunteers needed.



ACTION:

- **Richard/Christopher** to look at site services for plot of land by United Church.

What do you think?

- ✓ [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:

- ✓ [Community Conversations schedule and information](#)
- ✓ Community Conversations most recent notes
- ✓ Application to join Community Conversations
- ✓ Municipal Community Conversations policy.

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

- ✓ The [New to Jasper page of the website](#) has helpful information for them.

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