

The Centre News

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President's Message

Great news! The Province has eased some of the pandemic restrictions and we are able to restart most of our activities after Family Day. This newsletter has a listing of these activities and their restart dates. Masks and proof of full vaccination are still required to attend the Centre.

Plans are underway for a Pancake Breakfast on March 17. Further specifics will be provided once the details have been worked out. So mark your calendar to attend this very popular event. We are also looking at the possibility of a Sunday Social late in April. Again, no details yet.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on March 24 at 2:00 pm. Please put this date in your calendar and plan to attend. We appreciate your input. Coffee and tea will be served after the meeting.

We are reviewing the remaining activities and programs and I am hopeful we will be able to fully reopen in the near future. I thank everyone for their cooperation in following all of the "rules".

Dale Broad
President

Family Day Closure

Please note that the Centre will be closed for Family Day on February 21, 2022.



New 2022 Raconteur Series Begins

By Joan Boutilier

Like so many of our senior Centre set, I am SO looking forward to re-connecting with friends and participating in the diverse activities offered at the Centre for Active Living! So I won't keep you in suspense any longer – Raconteurs will re-commence on Friday, March 4 at 2 p.m. in our auditorium. Our Raconteur for the Month will be Margaret McKelvie, who will share experiences from her early days in public health. Margaret had a fascinating career, beginning in rural New Brunswick, before moving to a wide variety of communities all across Canada. She saw a lot of changes and met some unique characters. Margaret has a

wealth of interesting and amusing anecdotes to share, and you won't want to miss it. COVID protocols will be in place, so please remember to wear a mask, bring your proof of vaccine, ID, and a \$2.00 activity fee. See you on March 4th!



Please note: The Raconteur presentation by Shelly Dennis-Orr about rescuing animals has been postponed until Friday, April 1st. Really.

“Now That’s Funny!”

By Roger Boutilier, a.k.a. Dr. Ha!-Ha!

I'm exhausted! Do you realize that "Now That's Funny" has been causing folks to guffaw, chortle, snicker and snort with laughter for OVER TWO YEARS NOW?! Well, that's only half true. The second episode of NTF featuring Bob & Ray "aired" at the Centre the day before COVID closure almost two years to the day before we return to action on Friday, March 11 at 2:22 p.m. Why 2:22 you ask? Just cause, that's why! Anyway, I hope to see all you fellow funny addicts a week after The Raconteurs (small plug for my good wife) because, without you, it will be very lonely in that big auditorium. "Who will be the featured comedian?" I hear you ask. It will be a celebrated Canadian performer; a real "triple threat," as we used to say on the basketball court. "But who?" you plead. Sorry, that answer will cost you big time. Remember to bring your toonie (\$2) [\$1.57 American] to drop at the toll booth in the card room to help offset Centre expenses AND you

MUST also have proof of COVID vaccination ... and that's no joke, ya hear?



Activities Update

The following activities will restart after Family Day:

Art Group	Date to be determined	
Art Appreciation	Tues., March 8	7 pm
Bridge	Thurs., Feb 24	12 – 4 pm
Knitting	Wed., Feb 23	1:30 – 3 pm
500 Club	Wed., Feb 23	1 – 3:30 pm
Jammin’ Seniors	Sat., Feb 26	9:30 – 12 pm
Now that’s Funny	Fri., March 11	2:22 pm
Raconteur	Fri., March 4	2 pm
Scrabble	Mon., Feb 28	1 – 3:30 pm
Scottish Dancing	Date to be determined	
Weavers	Wed., Feb 23	11 am to 3 pm

Library News

By Krystina Manning

The Centre library will reopen on February 28th.

A lot of work has gone into sorting and reorganizing the books and your cooperation in keeping them in order will be much appreciated. Please take note of the signage in the library as well as the following:

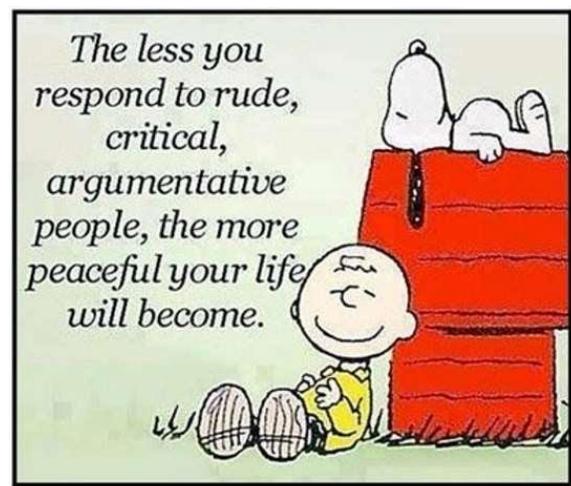
1. Please do not re-shelve your returns. Space is limited; therefore we are implementing a tracking system so that, should it become necessary to cull books, we will know which books are not circulating. **Please place returns in the return bin.**
2. There is a container of placeholders on the table. If you remove a book to look at it, please put a placeholder in its place on the shelf. Should you decide not to take the book, simply put it back and remove the placeholder. If you decide to borrow the book, return the placeholder to its container. This will help to keep our books in order.
3. We welcome book donations, however space is limited. Therefore, at this time, kindly limit donations to five books. New books should be left on the table so that they can be processed. Due to space restrictions, we are only accepting paperbacks in good condition. No hardcovers please. Nonfiction books, other than biographies, do not seem to be popular with our members. Any books that we cannot use will be donated to a thrift shop.

Hopefully, all this does not seem too onerous! Thank you in advance for your cooperation in helping to maintain the organization which was the result of many hours of work by Joanne McGowan, Dale Broad and Krystina Manning. Do drop by and have a look at the library. We think you will enjoy its new look!



Happy March Birthdays!

Claire Grise	Mar. 3
Renee Nicholls	Mar. 3
Marilyn Carlson	Mar. 4
Patricia Jones	Mar. 9
Sandra Jaycox	Mar. 9
Amrick Haere	Mar. 17
Lynda Miller	Mar. 20
Pat Randazzo	Mar. 23
Allison Bird	Mar. 24
Hilda Cook	Mar. 29
Lee Campbell	Mar. 31



(Sent in by Shirley Roberts)

Joke of The Month

After finally finishing the spring cleaning, I took a photo of my home and posted it on social media. It was immediately flagged and removed as “fake news”.

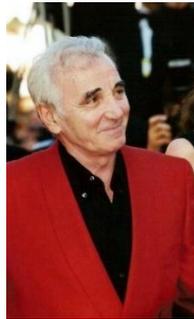


CSSC Speaker Series

Via Zoom

Friday, February 25th at 2 pm

Dr. Cazes will present via Zoom:



“Charles Aznavour, For me Formidable”

Dr. Cazes has kindly agreed to present: “*Charles Aznavour, For me Formidable*” via Zoom. We had hoped for an ‘inhouse’ presentation, but out of caution, we are once again, giving you the opportunity to Zoom Helene directly into your home.

Dr. Hélène Cazes is a Professor at UVic, Department of French, earned her PhD in Paris and has been teaching at the French Department at UVIC since 2001. Dr. Cazes was the recipient of the [Faculty of Humanities Award for Research Excellence](#) for 2013 and received the UVic Community Leadership Award in 2014.

Friday, March 25th at 2 pm

We are extremely privileged to have Dr. Maureen Mayhew from Doctor's Without Borders /Medicine Sans Frontiers (MSF) give a presentation describing the world-wide work of MSF

This is one presentation you will not want to miss!

Dr. Mayhew has been involved with MSF since 2000 when she went on her first mission to Afghanistan. Her second MSF mission led her back to Afghanistan just after 9-11. In 2003, she led efforts in vaccination and nutrition in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Subsequently, she led primary care and public health efforts across Canada, and in Afghanistan and Ghana with other international organizations.

