

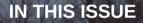


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#### NOVEMBER 2023



Where are the Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Calgary? **See Page 6** 

We are in need of seed funding for our Pantry Program. Please give what you can. **See Page 9** 

Our Christmas Lunch is coming next month. Do you have your tickets yet? Better grab 'em quick! See Page 15

We're holding a Food Drive! Nov 1 - Dec 15 **See Page 19** 

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**Cover Photo:** Each November, 3500 crosses are erected in a park along Memorial Dr to pay tribute individually to the thousands of Southern Albertans who made the ultimate sacrifice defending our freedom. Visit fieldofcrosses.com for more information.

#### We are Located in the Triwood Community Centre 2244 Chicoutimi Dr NW Calgary, AB T2L 0W1

**NOTE:** Photos are taken at events and programs. This is another way we promote our centre. If you choose not to have your photo taken, please inform the photographer.

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# FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE Director

Jeanette Provo has been the Executive Director since 2018. With her many talents and vast experience, she brings diversity, a friendly atmosphere and an excellent reputation for our welcoming Centre.



# Hello all !!

A couple of things have been brought to my attention that I would like to address.

First of all is Volunteering.

- I have been told that people have volunteered and been turned away: The only time we would turn anyone away is if we have the positions filled already and there may not be space in whatever room we are using for anymore. We have a tiny serving space in the pub downstairs as well as the serving area upstairs so having too many bodies in a tiny space in not efficient, nor is it safe.
- I have volunteered and no one has called me: We don't have as many volunteer positions as we once had at our old building so there is a good chance you may not be called on a regular basis. So, a few things that you might need to know as well: We screen our volunteers as it is a requirement for us to do so. If you have a mobility issue, you may not be a fit for a job that entails a lot of walking. If you have shaking (ie: Parkinson's) you may not be safe to work with food or hot beverages. We don't want you to burn yourself or anyone else. All of this is about

keeping our volunteers and members safe.

- You will see that we are now posting volunteer work in our Gazette, in our eblasts and on our social media for positions or special events that we are needing help with. To date, we are having great response with people filling these positions. And as we only have so many positions we might ask for 2 or 10 depending on the event or project and once we have enough then we don't take anymore.
- We are currently looking for 34 positions to work our casino Dec 23rd, 24th and 25th . Not an ideal time, however it was the very last casino for the year and we felt it important that we take the opportunity because we could have a very long wait for the next one.
- **Our Garage Sale** will be coming up in May 2024 and we will need a lot volunteers for that.

If you have not been called, please connect with me and we can sit down and discuss any concerns you may have. I would prefer if you book an appointment with me so that I can give you my undivided attention: Jeannette 403-289-4780 Ext 202 or email me at: ed@yycseniors.com.

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# President's Report

Sharon Dun has been a part of Confederation Park's team for many years, serving as a member, board member, and Vice President. In 2023, she was elected as President. When you see her in at the Centre, say hello! She loves chatting with members.



LAW Weaver (Dun) R.C.A.F. 1960 - 1963

As we approach the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, we pause to remember the sacrifices made by Veterans so we could live in a democratic society today.

The tendency is to think of the men who fought in World War I and World War II and that is how it should be, but we must also remember those who have served in other ways and in other conflicts.

Canadians have served with distinction in wars and on Peacekeeping Missions, up to and including today, but not all battles were fought on the fields of war. There is a famous quote from Winston Churchill;

They also serve who stand and wait.

– Sir Winston Churchill

The quote is a reference to the Mothers, Fathers. Wives. Husbands. Children and Siblings who waited for their loved ones to return to them. Many who returned were changed forever. That homeless person you walk by on the street may have served and be suffering from PTSD. Can you spare some time to show some respect for their sacrifice and buy them a meal, hot coffee or just sit down and chat. Show respect and compassion.

In the First and Second World Wars, those in uniform who were fighting for our freedom were, for the most part, 18 to 20 years old. Women in those days were not allowed in combat but they served with great distinction in other ways. It is well known they were Nursing Sisters, and Ambulance Drivers and served with bravery. It is lesser known that women pilots were ferrying planes to be used in the war zones, they were working on breaking and creating codes that were instrumental in ending wars and behind the lines in the Resistance and as spies.

Our Canadian Military continue to serve with distinction all around the world. Please take a moment out of your busy day to thank those who have served in any way and listen to their stories. Be thankful for those who have served, are serving now, and those who are waiting for their return.

They must not be forgotten.

haron Sharon Dun

President

Sudoku is easy to play and the rules are simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9. Thank you to puzzles.ca for these great puzzles.

# Sudoku

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# Remembrance Day



#### **Remembrance Day Service**

Saturday, 11 November 2023

Please join us at **The Military Museums** this November 11th for our Remembrance Day ceremony.

The Military Museums 4520 Crowchild Trail SW, Calgary

The museum will open its doors to the public after the Remembrance Day service at 12:00 pm and will close at 6:00 pm. We will not be accepting food bank donations this year.

Laying of wreaths: After the ceremony the public are welcomed to lay a wreath at the Eternal Flame monument. Staff will be on hand to provide an escort to and from the monument. Real poppies will be permitted to be laid. Plastic poppies are not recommended.

Parking: There will be limited parking available at Masters Academy. Parking is also available at the Flames Community Arena to the South. Note that access to TMM from the arena is through a pedestrian gate in the arena fence. For those with accessibility considerations, please advise our front gate staff upon arrival and they can direct you appropriately.

Please dress warmly, and plan to arrive early as past events have been well attended.

10:25 AM Arrival of VIPs and Guests of Honour

> 10:30 AM Ceremony begins

10:59 AM Last Post is performed, flags lowered

11:00 AM Act of Remembrance, 2 Mins of Silence

> 11:05 AM Ceremonial wreaths are laid

12:00 - 6:00 PM Museum is open to the public.

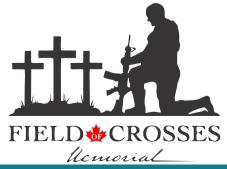
A virtual event will be live-streamed on our Facebook page beginning at 10:20 am MT

#### Sunrise & Sunset Ceremonies are held from Nov 1 - 10. Please arrive 15 min early.

## A televised Remembrance Day Ceremony is held at the field at 10:10 AM on November 11th.

Parking is very restricted in the parking lot adjacent to the field this day. It is recommended that people park on the South side of the river in the Eau Claire area and walk the short distance across the bridge to the field. Memorial Drive, directly in front of the Field of Crosses will be closed from 9 AM until after the ceremony.

## 200 Memorial Dr NW, Calgary



#### The boutique is open for business! Hours: Mon-Tue-Thurs 12-3 Wed & Fri by appointment.

# Boutique on the Park



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12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Mon, Tues & Thurs Wed & Fri by Appointment

## DONATIONS

We accept clothing donations on Fridays by appointment only.

#### WHY BY APPOINTMENT ONLY?

- we can contact you, if by error, a family treasure was left in a pocket

#### OR

- other items in the bag are not clothing and could have dropped in by accident.

# We certainly do not want anyone to donate a family treasure by mistake.

#### **DONATION ITEMS**

At this time, we are **only** accepting the following:

Gently used clothing Purses Shoes/boots Ties Scarves Coats Jewelry

#### UNDERWEAR:

We are no longer accepting underwear unless the garment is NEW and has the store tag still attached.

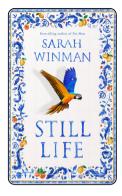
We are NOT accepting any house hold items at this time.

Thank you all for your kind words and donations to our beautiful Boutique.









## **Book Review**

**Still Life** Sarah Winman

This month, we reviewed 'Still Life' by Sarah Winman.

This is an expansive book set in both East London and Florence and embracing large portions of the 20th Century (excluding the first World War). There is a certain amount of leaping about, and this kind of book along with an absence of punctuation marks, makes it awkward for people to get into. Nonetheless scores were mostly high from 7.5 to 9 with one exasperated 3.

The writing style is lyrical, the characters well drawn. The topics addressed were the mundane, everyday life, the glories of Art and humanity's need for it. She also explores chosen families and Love in all its great diversity. Florence contrasts with post war bombed out grey East London. Florence is also post war, yet we are treated to the warmth and the wonderful ambience of the birthplace of the Renaissance. The colour of the light, the beautiful architecture - the kindness of the people that help our transplanted group of Londoners, who find themselves blooming and flourishing in the Tuscan sunshine.

She also takes us through the appalling flood that happened to Florence in 1966. Many of us had never heard about this flood. If we had, we dismissed it as something that happened to someone else. Through her characters, the Author is able to tell us just how devastating this event was. Thousands of art works, books and manuscripts destroyed and damaged by oily muddy water that tore through the narrow medieval streets. It devastated the lives and livelihoods of many Florentines, who left never to return.

It also brought people there from all over the world - the mud angels who came to help a restoration work that is still in progress today.

Despite its large scope, this book is not enormous. The author succeeds in covering that ground with the aid of a remarkable talking parrot, a profoundly erudite, tree loving, self taught grandfather figure and a remarkable Art Historian. Her inclusivity of the different flavours of love available in the world is respectfully done.

Like life, the plot rambles. There is ample dialogue to show us, rather than tell us, her message. We have both Still Life and still life.

The later discussion in the pub included the art we see and experience in our own lives, and how we feel about it - that told us about each other.

If you can be lead by an Author and patiently let her take you back and forth in time and place - this book has a lot to offer. If you prefer plot driven, cut and dried, stories - This book is not for you.

Next month, we will be reviewing 'Shrines of Gaiety' by Kate Atkinson.

Submitted by Jean Kensit

> NOVEMBER Shrines of Gaiety Kate Atkinson



To donate and be a part of the solution to end food insecurity for our members and community, please visit yycseniors.com/presidentsappeal.

# President's Appeal



# President's Appeal

Help us end food insecurity for our members and our community.

## PANTRY & FROZEN MEAL PROGRAMS

As we approach the end of the year, we are reaching out with a heartfelt request for your support. **Help us launch our free weekly hamper Pantry Program to ensure no one goes to bed hungry.** Help us relaunch our beloved **Frozen Meal Program**, a lifeline during the Covid pandemic, providing affordable, healthy, prepared meals and giving free or reduced-price frozen meals to those who qualify.





#### **VISIT OUR WEBSITE**

Please give what you can to help: yycseniors.com/presidentsappeal



#### **VISIT OUR OFFICE**

Donations are also accepted in person at the Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre office located in the Triwood Community Centre.



#### SHARE THIS MESSAGE

Please ask your friends and family to donate to this worthy cause.

#### DONATE PANTRY ITEMS

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Visit yycseniors.com/pantry or call us at 403-289-4780 information on donation items and drop-off times.

# **Tea & Conversation**

## Thursdays at 1:30 PM







Already it is that time of the year for us to start getting ready for "Old Man Winter"  $\dots$  COLD, SNOW, ICE and the FLU B

- Bundle up and stay warm: winter boots, gloves, hats and winter coats are a must.
- Remember to take extra precautions when shoveling the snow don't be afraid to ask for help.
- Make sure you have anti slip boots and shoes to help prevent you from a fall on the ice.
- Wash your hand frequently and cough into your elbows. If you are not feeling well stay home and seek medical attention if needed.

Thank you all for your donations to the Tea & Conversation program; your support is greatly appreciated and needed. The program is every Thursday in the Charleswood Room. T&C program begins at 1:30 - 2:30. If you have any questions, please call Debbie @ 403-289-4780.

Thanks to all of our volunteers. We are so lucky to have each and every one of you to count on week after week and you never let us down. Thanks a million!! ♥

Studies have shown that participating in an event like T&C has positive benefits for your emotional, mental and physical well-being. Stay active and stay involved.

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# **Tea & Conversation**













## **Tea & Conversation**

T&C has been filled with a gazillion wonderful memories and we thank you all so much for letting us be part of your lives.









# **Upcoming Events**

No ticket sales at the door. Advanced tickets ONLY at yycseniors.com or at the office.



November 10th **Remembrance Day Ceremony & Lunch** 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM \$10 / ticket All proceeds to the Veterans Food Bank See pg 14



Friday, Dec 8th Christmas Lunch featuring Joyce Reddy Dancers and Santa! 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM \$35 Members \$45 Non-Members See pg 15



Join us for a BOOK SIGNING with Jaline Perfect Chat with Jaline and enjoy Coffee, Tea & Snacks provided by Chatwell Retirement Residences. Tuesday, November 14th 10 AM - 12 PM Memory Collume in the Memory Control of the Control yccseniors.com Tuesday, Nov 14th Book Signing **Pearls from the Storm with Jaline Perfect** FREE 10 AM - 12 PM See pg 23

Friday, Nov 17th Games Day \$10 includes Pizza 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM See pg 25





Tuesday, Nov 28th CRA Benefits Presentation FREE 10 AM - 12 PM See page 29. Monday, Dec 4th NEW CLASS Flow NCELLE with Jeanette CAN 10:45 AM - 1. CAM \$30/Members \$65 Non-Members



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# **FEATURED**

Register for this event in person at our Office or online at yycseniors.com.



Please attend Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre and Triwood Community Assn's

# **Remembrance** Day Ceremony

**November 10th** Doors: 9:30 AM

NO ADMITTANCE AFTER 10:30 AM

**Chili & Fixings** SERVED AFTER THE CEREMONY



TICKETS All proceeds to the VETERANS FOOD BANK OF CALGARY



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Upcoming

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DECEMBER 8, 2023 Doors Open at 11:30 AM

> Turkey Dinner with Fixings

> > 50/50 Draw

TICKETS Members: \$35.00 Non Members: \$45.00



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# NOV PROGRAMS

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BOOK CLUB 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Nov 6, Dec 4	TAI CHI Intermediate 11:05 AM - 12:05 PM	Last class Nov 29	\$5 Requested Donation yycseniors.com/t&c	
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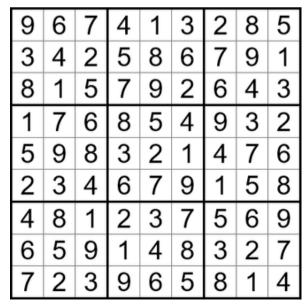
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#### SUDOKU PUZZLES ON PAGE 5

## SUDOKU MEDIUM

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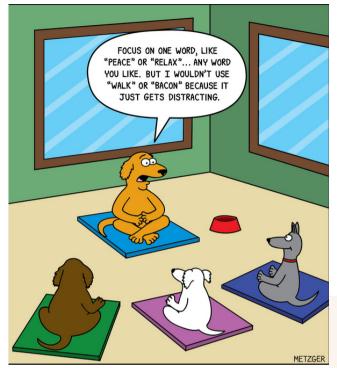


# NOVEMBER Calendar

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Time to Fall Back!	Calgary National Bank Challenger Nov 5-12 Osten & Victor Alberta Tennis Ctr	7	8	9 TEA & CONVERSATION 1:30 - 2:30 PM ENTERTAINMENT	REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY & LUNCH 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM \$10 Tickets See page 14 for details	Remembrance Day See pg 6 for ceremony info
12 JazzYYC Nov 9-12 Various locations jazzyyc.com	13	Book Signing 10AM - 12PM Boardroom See page 23	15	16 Tea & Conversation 1:30 - 2:30 PM ENTERTAINMENT	F17 Games Day Noon - 3PM JTS Pub See page 25	18 International Christmas Market Nov 17-19, 24-26 Spruce Meadows
19	Winter Registration NOW OPEN	Carol Marasco's Fall Birch Trees Nov 21 10AM - 12PM See page 23	22	23 TEA & CONVERSATION 1:30 - 2:30 PM ENTERTAINMENT	24	Authentically Indigenous Holiday Market Nov 25-26 Kerby Centre
26 Herroxge park Once Upon A Christmas Nov 26 & 26 Dec 2,3,9,16,17 Heritage Park	27	CANADA REVENUE AGENCY Benefits Presentation JT's Pub See page 9	29	30	DE 11: \$35 M	nas Lunch CEMBER 8, 2023 30 AM - 2:30 PM Jembers, \$45 NM age 15 for Details
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# Classifieds



## Patricia's Mobile Dental Hygiene

Patricia visits every 2nd Monday:

## November 6th & 20th



**PODIATRIST APPOINTMENTS:** We offer podiatrist service to all our members. Next visits are October 6th & November 17th. Please call us at 403-289-4780 to book.

LAWYER APPOINTMENTS with Arlene Blake are available for our members. Next visits are October 23rd, November 13th and November 27th. Please call us at 403-289-4780 to book an appointment.

**HOUSEKEEPER WANTED:** Full-time, competitive wage. Must have access to a vehicle, a clean drivers abstract and valid DL as well as a police check. Please contact Jeannette or Nigel at 403-289-4780 or email ed@yycseniors.com.



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## 9 AM - 4 PM MONDAY - FRIDAY 2244 CHICOUTIMI DR NW

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# Recipes

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The second thing is Events:

- So again we have people unhappy that they are not getting into our events. For a very long time we have encouraging people been to get signed up and paid as soon as with the possible. Now "Super Memberships" our classes and events are filling up to capacity, which means you have to get your tickets as soon as possible.
- Keep in mind that our Remembrance Day Ceremony is on November 10th, with the cut-off for tickets on November 2nd. Our Christmas Lunch will be next and it is a catered event, so we need people signed up and paid no later than November 23rd.

I hope this helps with any concerns you may have and if you have any other concerns please do not hesitate to call or email me.





Dash of cinnamon, if desired

#### DIRECTIONS

- 1. Place coffee and spices in filter in brew basket of coffee maker.
- 2. Add milk and sugar to empty carafe of coffee and put carafe back in coffee maker as usual.
- 3. Add water to coffee maker; brew. When brewing is complete, stir until blended.
- 4. Pour a cup and top as desired. Enjoy!

# Health & Wellness

# FACT SHEET



DR. AMY D'APRIX, MSW, PhD

Dr. Amy is an author, facilitator and coach specializing in life transition topics related to aging, retirement and caregiving. Committed to empowering people to care for themselves and their families, Dr. Amy promotes honest and productive discussion on a range of important topics.

## Embracing what will trigger a change in your life.

"We can exercise our independence and have more of the life we want; we just need to be aware when it's time to make a change for the betterment of our lives and take action."

We all want to maintain choice, control and independence as we age. In order to do that, I suggest we ask ourselves this question: If there were a change in my health or mobility, what would I do differently?

When answering this, we need to consider where we might live, how we might manage the task associated with living and caring for ourselves, and with whom would we spend our time.

#### **MEET MY UNCLE JACK** (name has been changed to protect his identity)

At age 93, my Uncle Jack decided to look into retirement living, as his wife had passed away and he was starting to feel lonely living on his own. He went to look at retirement residences and found one he liked a lot. He agreed it would be a wonderful place for him to live on his own. He liked the food, thought it was very attractive and enjoyed the people he met. When I asked him when he was planning to move, he told me what countless people have said to me over the years: "Someday I'll move there, but I'm not ready yet."

I wanted to understand why he felt he wasn't ready and asked him what he thought would trigger him to know when the time was right to move. He paused, thought for a moment and said, "When I can no longer drive, because I'll become isolated where I am now, and I don't want that."

#### **COMMON TRIGGERS FOR A MOVE**

Let's talk about triggers. No longer wanting or being able to drive is a common trigger for a move, as is death of a spouse. Another trigger is health or mobility issues that interfere with someone's ability to easily manage day-to-day chores or the maintenance of their home.

#### THE GOAL: MAINTAINING INDEPENDENCE

Many people associate independence with living in their own home—the one they may have been in for decades. Yet, if we look up the definition of independence, it is much broader and doesn't address where we live. In order to have choice, control, and independence as we age, we need to ask ourselves what we would do in the face of changes in our health or mobility— and then we need to identify the triggers that would signal to us it is time to implement these changes. That is how we stay in control of our lives.



# Pantry Program

Our Pantry Program runs during T&C Only: Thursdays, 1:30PM - 2:30PM. If you are interested in utilizing our Pantry, please contact Debbie at 403-289-4780, Ext 206

#### WHO QUALIFIES?

There are no financial qualifications to access our Pantry. All participants must join the Pantry Program (free membership) and complete a contact card. All personal information we receive is confidential. All you have to do is order your hamper and pick it up.

#### WHAT IS IN THE PANTRY?

Depending on donations, our pantry is primarily filled with non-perishable items such as pasta, cans of pasta sauces, fruits, vegetables, beans, soups, canned fish, canned ham or chicken meat, oils, dry goods, packaged foods, cereal, dry mixes and snacks (such as granola bars etc.). Small packages of pet treats and toiletries may also be available.

#### DONATIONS

If you would like to make a donation to our Pantry, please make sure all food donations have NOT expired and are in small portions for one or two people. Cash donations are greatly appreciated. Bring donations to the Office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10 AM - 2 PM, or at T&C on Thursdays from 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM.





# How to order from the Pantry

All pantry hampers must be ordered through the office at **403-289-4780**. All orders <u>must be in by Tuesday at 3:00PM</u>, so they can be prepared by our volunteers.

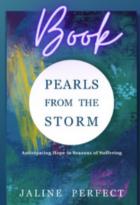
#### **PICK-UP**

Please be on time for your pickup. Pantry pick-up is Fridays, 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM, Confederation Park 55+ Activity Centre Office: 2244 Chicoutimi Dr NW, Calgary.

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## Register for this FREE event at yycseniors.com or call us at 403-289-4780.

# **Book Signing**





Rejected, mistreated, physical ailment after physical ailment, depression, losing family members, feeling utterly alone and judged... Jaline Perfect began asking,

# Why is this happening?

Wherever you are in your season of life, the purpose of Pearls from the Storm is to offer answers to the difficult questions that suffering evokes in a way that allows space to grieve, ponder, and challenge our perceptions. Through her personal experience, Scripture, and reflection questions, Jaline Perfect strings together pearls of wisdom and hope for those who feel suffering is far too close for comfort.



# Chat with Jaline and enjoy Complimentary Coffee, Tea & Snacks TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH

Join us for a **BOOK SIGNING** with Jaline Perfect

10 AM - 12 PM







Tuesday Nov 21, 2023 10 AM - 12 PM

#### \$40

Member Price \$75 Non-Members Includes All Supplies



Register at yycseniors.com

# **Origin At Home**



## 5 Reasons Why Senior Companionship Is So Important

For many seniors, having a Companion could be the key to living a happy, healthy life. Here are five reasons why an Origin at Home Senior Companion can be so important:

**1. Reduces Social Isolation** Social isolation is a serious issue among seniors, particularly for those who live alone or have mobility issues. When seniors are isolated from friends and family, they are at increased risk for depression, anxiety, and other mental health issues. In fact, research shows that social isolation can be as detrimental to one's health as smoking or obesity.

**2.** Improves Mental Health Companionship has been shown to have a positive impact on mental health for seniors. In addition to reducing feelings of isolation, having a companion can boost mood, increase self-esteem, and provide a sense of purpose and belonging.

**3.** Enhances Cognitive Functioning Engaging in meaningful conversations, games, and activities with a companion stimulates the brain and improve cognitive functioning.

**4. Increases Safety** Seniors who live alone may be at increased risk for falls, accidents, and other emergencies. Origin at Home Companions can provide an extra layer of safety by ensuring home safely, and alerting emergency services in case of a fall or other emergencies.

**5. Provides Companionship and Friendship** Perhaps the most obvious benefit of an Origin Companion is the companionship and friendship it provides. A Companion can help seniors feel valued and cared for, and can lead to lifelong friendships.

Senior companionship can be a crucial element in maintaining the health and well-being of seniors. From reducing social isolation to improving mental health, enhancing cognitive functioning, increasing safety. and providing companionship and friendship, the benefits of Origin at Home Companions are clear. Call us for more information: 403-919-7147.

Visit our blog to read more: blog.originway.ca



Experience the gift of true companionship with Origin at Home. Book a free consultation today. **403-919-7147** | originathome@origin.ca | www.originathome.ca

Game Days

## When not paying your bills pays off

Abe and Esther are flying to Australia for a two week vacation to celebrate their 40th anniversary.

Suddenly, over the public address system, the Captain announces, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am afraid I have some very bad news. Our engines have ceased functioning and we will attempt an emergency landing."

"Luckily,

I see an uncharted island below us and we should be able



to land on the beach. However, the odds are that we may never be rescued and will have to live on the island for the rest of our lives!"

Thanks to the skill of the flight crew, the plane lands safely on the island.

An hour later Abe turns to his wife and asks, "Esther, did we pay our \$5,000 PBS pledge check yet?"

"No, sweetheart," she responds.

Abe, still shaken from the crash landing, then asks, "Esther, did we pay our American Express card yet?"

Ester exclaims, "Oh, no! I was only thinking about packing for the trip! I completely forgot all about paying the Amex, Visa and even the Mastercard!"

Abe grabs her and gives her the biggest kiss in 40 years.

Esther pulls away and asks him, "What was that for?"

Abe laughs, "Don't worry, they'll find us!"



# Crossword

#### **ANSWER ON PAGE 28**

Thank you to bestcrosswords.com for this game.



Easy Puzzle#4

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#### ACROSS

1-Girder type;

- 5-Barbill:
- 8-Piece of fencing?;

12-Zilch:

- 13-Last:
- 15- avis:
- 16-Raw materials:
- 17-Old-womanish:
- 18-Inverness inhabitant:
- 19-Citizenship:
- 22-Tricky curve: 23- RR stop:
- 24- "My fault!";
- 26-Ostrich or emu:
- 29-Fishes:
- 31-H.S. proficiency test;
- 32-Polite:
- 34-MetLife competitor;
- of bricks: 36-Like
- 38-Small change;
- 40-Somewhat:
- 41-Balls;
- 43- Hit back, perhaps;
- 45-Friendly introduction?;
- 46-Repetition;
- 48-Revise:
- 50-Swedish auto;
- 51-Each:
- 52-And so on;
- 54-Ominous:
- 61-Untruths. tells falsehoods:
- 63-Prevention dose;
- 64-Busy as
- 65-Editor Wintour;
- 66-Kitchen gadget;
- 67-High schooler;
- 68-Pulls in;
- 69-Homer's neighbor;
- 70- Famous last words:

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#### DOWN

1-Get \_\_\_\_ the ground floor; 2-Repeated, an island of French Polvnesia: 3-Work without ; 4-Oppose; 5-Singer Turner; 6-Blue dye source; 7- Ha'i: 8-Hesitant sounds; 9-Leader: 10-Son of Aphrodite; 1- Chow; 13- Zealot;

- 14-Admit: 20-Auricular: 21-Indian exercise method: 25-This can be guilty or not guilty; 26-Pave over: 27-Youthful: 28-Partner of each: 29-Vowlocale: 30-Nosh: 31-Choke: 33- Chemical ending; 35-Flap; 37-The Valley is a Californian wineland:
- 39-King's staff;
- 42-Strip of wood;
- 44-Affectedly dainty;
- 47-Loathe:
- 49-Elaborately adorned;
- 52-Enthusiastic vigor and
- liveliness:
- 53-Fork feature; 55-Undoing;
- 56-Suffix with exist:
- 57-Scored 100 on:
- 58-Yeah, right!; 59-Nair rival;
- 60- Knee: 62- KLM rival:

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# What's Happening at Triwood

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# **CRAFT NIGHT!**

Friday, November 10th | 6:30-8:30pm \$40 | Supplies included Register online! triwoodcommunity.com



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TRIWOOD





# TRIWOOD CHRISTMAS MARKET 2023

SAVE THE DATE | 2244 CHICOUTIMI DR NW

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST 3–9PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND 10AM-4PM

#### **CROSSWORD** Answer from Page 26



Experience the benefits of personalized support, meaningful connections, and a vibrant lifestyle with Origin at Home™ Companions.

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## **REGISTRATION REQUIRED Presentation Series**

# BENEFITS PRESENTATION

#### **Topics:**

- Seniors Benefits and Credits
- Disability Tax Credit
- Scams
- Digital Service

# NOVEMBER 28, 2023 AT 10 AM - 12 PM

Location: JTs Pub, Triwood Community Centre Address: 2244 Chicoutimi Dr NW, Calgary **Register for this FREE presentation at** 

We're seeking one

volunteer to join us

in the office once

a month to call

members and provide them with center updates.

If you are interested, please call Richard at 403-289-4780 or email members@yycseniors.com

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Hi Jackie! You won't want to

miss this event.

**VOLUNTEER POSITION** 

**Help Keep Our Members** Informed

## Attention **Coffee Enthusiasts**

Due to the increase in the cost of coffee and supplies, the new price for coffee at our Centre will be \$1.50 as of January 1st.

# Become a Member

#### VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

## **Christmas Casino Volunteers Needed**

Location: ACE Airport Casino Dates: Dec 23rd, 24th and 25th Call Jeannette at 403-289-4780 Ext 202 to help.

#### Volunteer to Update Members by Phone

Location: at the Confederation Park 55+ Office cha. **Call Richard** at 403-289-4780 Ext 200 to help.

66 "Don't ever question the value of volunteers. Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals." - Dave Glvnn

> Would you like to join our Volunteer Crew? Please contact Richard at 403-289-4780 or visit the Office for a Volunteer Application Form.

> > SUPER

# Become a Member

If you prefer to visit Confederation Park 55+ exclusively, choose a Regular Membership.

If you are visiting two or more Super Membership locations, we suggest to choose a Super Membership to help you save on membership fees.

#### What does Membership Status mean?

- Member pricing for **classes**, activities and events
- Members can make appointments with a Lawyer, Podiatrist, Commissioner of Oaths, Dental Hygienist, and have assistance with their Taxes
- Join our members-only Clubs!
- Attend special members-only events
- Full AGM voting rights for those 55+
- Associate Membership for those under 55
- Monthly newsletter, The Gazette and weekly eBlasts the keep members up to date on Centre and Community Events

MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP ALL NEW 2024 MEMBERSHIPS (or add \$15 to bump up) ARE VALID FROM NOV 1st.

**REGULAR** 

Super Membership Locations **Bowness Seniors' Centre** Bow Cliff Seniors **Confederation Park 55+** Greater Forest Lawn 55+ **Unison at Kerby Centre** Ogden 50+ Parkdale Nifty 50s **NEW!** West Hillhurst GoGetters

All adults (18 and over) are welcome at Super Member Activity Centres.

## **Super Member Activities**

The last few pages of our newsletter contains events at our Super Member Centres.

**Super Members are** welcome to attend member-only functions, events & programs at member rates.



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## SUPER MEMBERSHIP & FRIEND CENTRE ACTIVITIES



## SUPER MEMBERSHIP & FRIEND CENTRE ACTIVITIES



You're Invited! Join us as we celebrate 50 years of serving seniors in Calgary!

Saturday, November 4th, 2023 | Hudson, 6th Floor Early Bird tickets available until September 15th Tickets are \$225 each or a table of 8 for \$1,700

## UnisonAlberta.com/Gala

## Lighting up hearts & lives for 50 years

\*Sponsorship opportunities available. Contact us by email at AndresG@UnisonAlberta.com

#### **Bowness Seniors' Centre**



## Snowflake Dinner Dance Live entertainment

## Friday November 24, 2023

Doors open at 5 pm & Dinner at 6 pm Contact the BSC office for tickets 403 286-4488 Members/<u>Supermembers</u> \$20, non member \$25 Purchase tickets by Wednesday November 22. No tickets sold at the door



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## <u>& Artisan sale</u>

SATURDAY. NOVEMBER 4, 2023 10 am - 2 pm \$5.00 Admission

## BAKE SALE, CRAFT SALE & ART SALE

TABLE RENTAL \$25.00 REGISTER WITH SONIA AT 403-279-2003 x 4 OR EMAIL SONIA©OGDEN5OPLUS. ORG

> 2102 - 69 Ave SE 403-279-2003



## PICKLEBALL WORKSHOP

Learn to play from the experts at Ogden 50+!

TUESDAYS 3:00 PM FRIDAYS 3:00 PM

Please phone 403-279-2003 Ext. 202 to sign up!

## SUPER MEMBERSHIP & FRIEND CENTRE ACTIVITIES

# Hearing Screenings

Connect Hearing is coming to Parkdale Nifty Fifties to conduct screenings for your hearing health!

BY APPOINTMENTS ONLY FROM 1:00PM - 4:00PM NOVEMBER 9 2023

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call 403-283-0620 to book your spot now

Anniversary Dinner

Friday, Nov. 17,2023 Cocktails at 5:30pm - Catered Roast Beef Dinner at 6PM

Dinner includes all the trimmings and dessert

Entertainment - Ron Marier

Cost-\$30.00 per person

Purchase tickets online or call (403) 283–0620 Tickets must be purchased and paid for by Fri. Nov. 10

#### Dress to Impress!

Parkdale Nifty Fifties Seniors Association 3512-5 Ave. NW

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## SUPER MEMBERSHIP & FRIEND CENTRE ACTIVITIES

## Indigenous Building Capacity Workshop

Monday, November 13th | 9:30am – 4:30pm Members: \$70 | Non-Members: \$100

Medicine Wheel and Building Capacity: Truth & Reconciliation Presentation

Registration Required Visit kerbycentre23.wildapricot.org or Room 306 or contact Active Aging at (403) 705-3233 or HenriettaF@UnisonAlberta.com



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Silver Star Christmas Musical Revue "Christmas Nostalgia"

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FESTIVE MUSIC, CHRISTMAS CHEER AND MERRIMENT

FRIDAY DECEMBER 15TH | AT 7 PM \$15.00 / TICKET COFFEE & GOODIES PROVIDED

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#### Active Aging: Weekly Activities Badminton - \$3 Activity Fee Monday REGISTRATION NOT REQUIRED



December 14, 2023

\$100.00 per person

Buffet Starts at - 11:00 am Show - 1:30 pm

Bus Arrival at Ogden 50+ - 9:50 am Bus Departure from Ogden 50+ - 10:30 am Arrival at Rosebud Theatre, Rosebud, AB - 11:45 am Departure from Rosebud - 4:00 pm Calgary Arrival - 5:15 pm

Register by: Nov 28



Coach Bus Charter by Southland Transportation

# Affordable Housekeeping



## Affordable for Everyone

Our Housekeeping program provides light housekeeping services for all Calgarians, not just seniors. Let us assist you to live safely by providing housekeeping services to ensure your home is regularly cleaned and maintained. Our team provides meaningful work opportunities for people in the community.

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