



April Newsletter

Keeping us Afloat!

Elk Valley Hospice is grateful for the fundraising efforts of our volunteers, the donations that have come in and the grant from Interior Health. The Quilt raised \$1366.00 thanks to the efforts of our volunteers and the TD Bank and was won by Anne Gonnely. A great big THANK YOU goes out to the Fernie Quilters Guild for their donation of the fabulous quilt!



The Junior B Bantam Ghostriders Hockey Team donated \$2,695.10



and Interior Health gave us a \$5000.00 operating grant. When you add that to Hospice being remembered in memorium by local residents who have passed away, our ability to continue to offer services in this valley is guaranteed for the foreseeable future and we are very grateful! Don't forget the coupon book is still available for sale at the Fernie Chamber of Commerce!

GET YOURS AT THE FERNIE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VISITOR CENTRE ON HWY 3

\$8 of proceeds go to improve end of life care



Book contains a variety of coupons including
local GOLF COURSES and RESTAURANTS
You could save ~\$10-\$70 with each use!
Support local businesses & Elk Valley Hospice

All This Fundraising Pays for a New Ceiling Lift System – Upgrades to the Palliative Care Room

Sandra Boer met with a representative of the company installing a lift system in the emergency room at the Elk Valley Hospital, and we are happy to announce that we will be going forward on purchasing and installing a ceiling lift in room 45 later this summer (once quotes & engineering specs are in)! This is very exciting news for us, for our clients and for the hard working nurses and doctors at the hospital!

Client Intake

We have recently received a request for trained volunteers who can work evenings to sit with a client at the Elk Valley Hospital. If you haven't already signed up with Elke, please do so as soon as possible. Elke will be away until September this year, and **we are looking for anyone who might be interested & available to cover for her in her absence**. Please contact Elke, Diane or Sandra to let us know.

Our Next Hospice Course is Set!

The date for our next Hospice Course is set to start on September 5th. It will run at the College of the Rockies from 7pm to 10pm for 8 sessions. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them sign up at the College or online <https://www.cotr.bc.ca/conEd/register.asp?ID=7364>

Annual General Meeting Date Change

Due to a conflict with another Society's AGM, we have changed the date of our AGM to **Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 6pm**. Please watch for more information on location on our Facebook Page, in the Free Press or on our website. We will be renewing memberships at the meeting, electing a new Board of Directors, and of course, socializing! If you or someone you know would like to stand for a Directorship, we would be happy for the nominations!

New Treasurer Named

With the resignation of Premita Saran and upcoming travel plans for Mary Miller, we are happy to announce that we have found a new volunteer to take on the role of Treasurer! Please join me in

welcoming Jennifer O'Donnell to the team! (She will need to be voted in on May 24th, of course!)
We are grateful for all the hard work and time that Premita & Mary so generously gave us!

Continuing Education

The next session, entitled "Good Grief" scheduled for **April 25th at 4:30pm.**



GOOD GRIEF
A short documentary about grief

writer/director/animator
FIONA DALWOOD

producer
JONNO KATZ

music: MATTHEW W. NICHOLSON
sound: LEVA RIZIC

voice cast
DAN MICHAEL
ALEX DE VOSS
SARAH DE VOSS
ANDREW O'SULLIVAN
DAN KATZ

There's a lot to gain
from losing what we love

www.goodgrief.tv

- Winner
Clare Valley Film Festival
Clare Valley, South Australia
2013
- Highly Commended
Melbourne International Animation Festival
Australia
2013
- Official Selection
ECU The European Independent Film Festival
Paris, France
2014
- Official Selection
Tricky Women
Vienna, Austria
2014
- Official Selection
Dok Leipzig
Germany
2013
- Official Selection
Brooklyn Film Festival
New York, USA
- Official Selection
CutOut Fest
Mexico
2013
- Official Selection
St Kilda Film Festival
Australia
2013
- Official Selection
London International Animation Festival
London, UK
2013
- Official Selection
15th Mid-Price Children's Short Film Festival

Elk Valley Hospice presents "Good Grief"
a short documentary & discussion about grief
Tuesday April 25th, 2017 from 4:30PM to 6PM
at the Fernie Heritage Library
Free admission