



## 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*



**PASSPORT TO THE KOOTENAYS**

\$45.00 Tax Incl.

**BUY 1 GET 1 FREE**

**Coupons Inside!**

**\$10,000+ in SAVINGS!**

**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 5<sup>th</sup>. 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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