



# LODGE AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING NEWS JULY, 2017



Kelly Roberts, Superintendent, Jen-Col reports that the foundations build begins on July 3. Water and sewer will be installed soon after the foundations are up, in mid-August.

Craig Brown with Anuj Chauhan and the Shoppers Drug Mart staff.



## AGLAND DONATION \$75,000

A heartfelt thank you to Ken and Cameron Kay, and the Kay family at Agland for the generous gift. This reinforces their corporate commitment to supporting the communities they serve and speaks so highly of their regard for the pioneers who built our communities. *Trevor Hill, Agland Vermilion Branch Manager and Partner, with Robert Snelgrove and Brenda Lee, Cabinet members, Living Well Capital Campaign.*



**The Living Well Campaign** is committed to raising the funds necessary to make the Lodge modernization a community success. “The numbers speak for themselves: \$14.1 million for the Lodge will result in a room capacity of 52, for a total of 126 suites. Within the next ten years, approximately 4,000 Vermilion area residents will be over 65 years of age. Modernizing senior housing is critical.” *Sheri Heller, CAO, Vermilion & District Housing Foundation*

## SHOPPERS DRUG MART VERMILION DONATES \$50,000

Craig Brown, Capital Campaign Co-Chair, worked with Anuj Chauhan, Associate Owner, to make this donation possible. Shoppers Drug Mart is a relatively new business to Vermilion and their donation speaks volumes to Anuj and his staff’s commitment to the seniors and our community. We are pleased to accept this significant donation and thank Anuj for his contribution to the legacy of the Housing Foundation and our seniors.

## SUPPORTIVE HOUSING REPORT by Shaelyn Strang



June was very eventful: we made a trip to Lloyd Walmart, the men took a Father's Day outing to Webb's machinery and Sammy's for ice cream. The Fishing Derby was a fantastic success and some residents mentioned they would like to do it again. We got very patriotic and made a Maple Leaf collage for Canada Day and attended some exciting events uptown. July also looks enjoyable with new activities: we will make maple walnut fudge, and will attend the softball hosted by our Vermilion Shadows. We will be going to Paradise Valley to the Climb Thru Time museum, the Vermilion Fair parade, and the Fair on Friday afternoon. I look forward to seeing everyone attending activities and having fun with me this summer.

## FOND MEMORIES OF THE 4-H CLUB

On the centennial of the Club we asked past members to share their memories.

**Frances Mulligan** remembers the days in Charlottetown, PEI, when she and 60 teenagers attended the various events put on by the Club. "It was a life experience. You always remember these things." Being a city girl, Frances loved the chance to work with the animals. "Milking cows was messy, and I found a goat that wouldn't stay still, but it was fun, lots of fun." The horses were easier to get along with. Frances became attached to a one-eyed horse, and together they excelled in show jumping. Frances enjoyed baking and quilting as well. "I gave my whole family cushion covers for Christmas."



**Clive Rogan** was a member of the 4-H Club in the early 1940s. "Those were the days, you know. We had a 10-acre piece of land, just breaking, and the 4-H Club taught us to do the roguing. We took first prize one year." For four years Clive learned to control weeds and rotate crops, among other skills. "In 1946, I went to college. It was the Vermilion School of Agriculture and I took the two in one course. "I became the college barber and charged 35 cents per haircut. That was a long time ago."

## SUMMER STUDENTS

The Vermilion and District Housing Foundation Supports summer students with an opportunity to enhance their work experience. We offer a variety of duties and responsibilities which include general administration, activities, games, event organization and, most of all, mingling and connecting with residents. This summer, we are happy to work with Brooke Eyben (left) and Kathleen Dieken. The students return to the University of Alberta this fall.

