

Strathroy and Area Seniors' Centre

Quarterly Newsletter

Fall/2010

Welcome to our first quarterly Newsletter edition! We hope to be able to keep you, our members, informed of all activities and events offered at the centre. We welcome input from members and groups using the centre in order to benefit all.

A *special invitation* is offered to all groups to provide us with current details that can be published regarding your specific activity. Just hand in to any board member by the deadline stated at the end of the newsletter.

Hours of Operation: Just a reminder that the SASCC is open Monday – Friday from 9am to 8pm., and on Saturday, 9am to noon (on a trial basis).

Membership: Membership numbers are doing well (up to 112 members as of this printing). Annual fees for this year have been lowered to \$50.00. Spread the word!

2010 Annual General Meeting: was held on Thurs., Sept.30/10 with an attendance of 21 members.

The following members were acclaimed to office: Irene McLean (3yr); Bonnie Seeley (2yr); Gary Burton (2yr); and, Lynne Burns (3yr). Rosemarie Crosswell and Dave Brock have one year remaining on their terms as Directors.

Minutes are available at the welcome desk.

SASCC Financial Status: We are pleased to say that from Sept/09 to Aug/10 we had a Revenue of \$87,852.73 with expenses of \$84,110.17; resulting in a profit of \$3,742.56. With your support we hope to continue to be a viable entity in our community...a venue that offers a wide variety of activities and events for Strathroy and Area citizens.

Activities: Now that Fall is here, our activities are in full swing! We offer a large variety that can suit a wide scale of clientele. Such things as: Bridge, Bid Euchre, New Horizon's Cards, Square Dancing, Carving, VON exercise, Shuffleboard, TOPS, Chair Exercises, Pool, Tai Chi, Yoga, Cribbage, Crokinole, weekly Bingo, and Walking.

Don't forget to enjoy our library, jigsaw puzzles and big screen TV! Computers are available for use (lessons can be arranged by contacting Gary Burton), as well as a fun Wii program to play! Our craft room and woodworking shops are a wonderful way to pass time creatively.

Rooms are available for rent, be it for meetings or bigger events such as parties, special dinners, wedding or baby showers, etc. Contact Dave Brock at his store, Mainly Books, or phone him at 519-245-6161, for all available dates, rooms, and prices.

Presently meeting regularly are the Writers Group, Horticultural Society, Historical Society, Quilters Guild, the Lions Club of Strathroy-Caradoc, and the Socrates Society.

Lunches: Soup and Sandwich lunches are offered *Tuesdays & Thursdays* in the lunchroom. Delicious and nutritious home-made fare served with a smile! Full lunch with dessert just \$7.00. Lunch is also available on Fridays with the addition of hot dogs, sausages, and hamburgers at reasonable a-la-carte prices.

Raffle Draw: We are presently raffling off tickets for a beautiful handmade 'one of a kind' Lighthouse, donated by one of our talented and faithful members. Perfect for outside porches, decks, or lawn. Tickets are available at 3 for \$2. The draw is scheduled for Dec. 1, 2010.

DANCE:

Join us on **Saturday, Nov. 6, 2010 from 8pm – 12:00am**
in the Games Room.

'Joan Spalding and the Foggy Mountain Band'
will entertain us!

***Looking forward to a big crowd!

Tickets available at the centre or at Mainly Books on Frank Street.

Christmas: The Centre will be **CLOSED Friday, Dec. 24/10 to Sunday, Jan. 2/11** inclusive. Re-opening for regular activities on Monday, Jan. 3/11.

Bingo: Cancelled for Friday, Dec. 24/10. However, **there WILL be Bingo on Friday, Dec. 31/10**

Euchre-rama: Cancelled for the month of January 2011. Resumes Wednesday, Feb. 2/11

Community Christmas Dinner: On *Wed., Dec 15/10 from 5 to 7pm*, and in partnership with the *Next Wave Youth Opportunities* and other community groups, the SASCC hope to host a Christmas Dinner with all the fixings to area Seniors, shut-ins, and other sectors of our community. We are considering asking for a free-will offering from folks and/or food bank donations. This event has not yet been finalized, so be looking for details soon.

Christmas Decorating: As Christmas fast approaches, we will be "decking our halls"! Joan Emmons will co-ordinate decorating of our centre with the hope of having us "all dressed up" by the Santa Claus Parade on Sat., Nov. 20/10! *Do plan on joining us to help with the decorating...many hands makes light work!*

VOLUNTEERS: The SASCC is always looking for volunteers at the front desk or other duties. Please contact us if you can offer a few hours a week. Remember, together we can do it!

Food For Thought: *"How old would you be if you didn't know how old you were?" ---Satchel Page*

Next Newsletter: Deadline for the next newsletter will be **January 31/11.**