

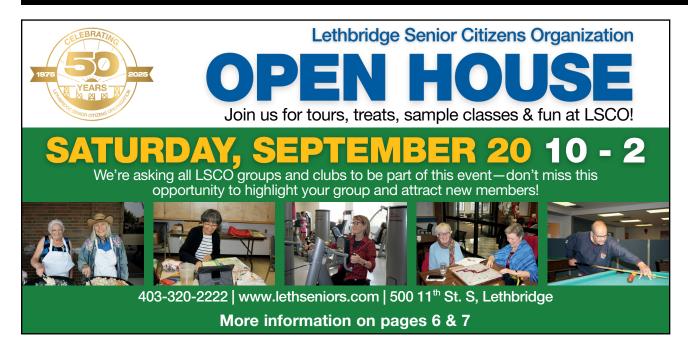


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### Nifty, Nifty, Look Who's 50!



#### LSCO celebrates 50 years of service with a good old-fashioned Block Party

By Joe Manio, Lethbridge Herald Reporter

To celebrate its 50 years of service to Lethbridge seniors and the community at large in grand style, the Lethbridge Senior Citizens Organization (LSCO) threw a 50th Anniversary Block Party at the Civic Centre Track, behind the LSCO facility Saturday.

"It feels really good to be able to celebrate the 50th anniversary, especially so new to the job," said LSCO executive director Kaitlynn Weaver, who's been at the helm for six months. "I feel like it creates this momentum of having new leader- ship, and to get to celebrate the last 50 years of how things have been. And then we get to look towards the future, to see what it's gonna be like and what the next 50 years holds."

Hundreds of Lethbridge residents showed up to celebrate, including members of other not-for-profit organizations and local officials. The all-day family- and Mobile petting zoo resident Boots the Goat greets guests at the Letbhridge Senior Citizens Organization (LSCO) 50th Anniversary Block Party. The pet-friendly event featured live music, a free community barbecue, family games and activities, a blacksmithing demon stration and more.

Founded on the concept of "a service to seniors by seniors," the LSCO was established as a society in July 1975, with the mission of being a community focal point offering services, activities, and social opportunities for older adults

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# Executive Director

Kaitlynn Weaver

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How is it already September? These last few months have completely flown by and I'm so excited for what's to come this fall.

When I was first hired as the Executive Director back in March, I was told that summer slows down significantly, but I don't actually feel like that was the case this year. As many of you know, we had our 50th anniversary celebration that took place on July 26th, which saw over 800 individuals come through to party like it was 1975. We had a fantastic time and I so appreciated the support of the volunteers, staff, and sponsors who helped make it a reality.

For Whoop Up Days, we hosted a Pancake Breakfast, created a beautiful float (shout out Jon Joyce for helping us out!!), and made 'Dumbo Ears' to sell at the diner. Of course all of these events were a hit, but went truly out of control (in the best way)

## **Executive Director Message**

were the Dumbo Ears! Our social media post went viral with over 70 shares, 40 comments, and more than 200 likes on Facebook. Because of this, we had a huge increase in attendance at the diner for both the ears and for lunch. What a great way to promote the diner as it is such an important (and delicious) service in our community! Thank you to Tim for sharing the original elephant ears recipe and making this delicious treat.

It's been a truly momentous year for the LSCO, and it is one that is getting us noticed in the community! We can't wait for our upcoming events that will continue to raise awareness about the LSCO. This includes our Open House on Saturday, September 20th and our Twilight Soiree on November 1 Check out page 6 for more information.

Leading this organization (so far) has been both a real treat and a real challenge. The analogy I've been using to describe it is one that I heard from my previous boss. He said that when you lead an organization that isn't starting from scratch, it's like you're renovating a plane at 30,000 feet. Although the plane is operational and flying, you're patching the wings, refueling, and putting in new

landing gear. This is kind of what's happening here (although I'm grateful we're not actually in a plane because I hate flying).

While I observe the LSCO's departments, chat with members, and hear from volunteers I am beginning to piece all of this information together and decide what pieces need patching, what parts are solid, and how to create a plane that can keep us in the air for another 50+ years.

With all that in mind, I appreciate each and every one of your patience as we navigate through the transition from what was, what is, and what will be. Although change can be scary, just know that I will always have in mind the best interests of the organization and the individuals who utilize our services.

Before I close my message, I would like to remind you to keep us in your hearts when choosing a charity to support. At the LSCO, every act of giving is more than just a donation; it is an investment in people, in community, and in the values that connect us all. Your generosity makes it possible for us to continue creating a welcoming space where individuals can find support, friendship, resources, and opportunities to flourish.







ite flower?" Karl answered, "Of course, it's

Robin Hood All Purpose"



out the year!

Your contribution is our lifeline!

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**Hours of Operation** 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday

#### **LSCO Vision Statement**

"An active, healthy community which is learning, growing and making a difference."

#### **Welcome New Members**

Luis Renteria Norah Mubika Corey Slattery Will Slattery

Joanne Parkinson

Linda Tamaki

James Henry

**Curtis Rosvold** 

Michele Ashbury

Gail Berkner

Gail Campbell

Don Hillyer

**Donna Harty** Laura Graham

**Lonnie Graham** 

Margaret Erickson

2 Anonymous

We're happy to have you! August 2025

#### FEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Lethbridge Fee Assistance Program provides Lethbridge residents who face financial barriers with the opportunity to participate in Recreation and Culture programs and activities at a subsidized cost.



- Confidentiality will be maintained, however communication with the organization offering the activity will be required to confirm the details.
- For more information contact: feeassistance@lethbridge.ca or call 311.

#### **LSCO WELCOME POLICY**

This policy allows individuals to access membership and programs at LSCO at a lower cost. Individuals which meet the income threshold can receive 25% off their membership. Income Eligibility (Line 15000 of tax return)

Single: Under \$30,00

Couple: Under \$50,000

Please bring prior year income tax for verification.

For more information call 403-320-2222





#### SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

SACPA meets every Thursday from 12 - 1 pm at LSCO. Please arrive early to buy your lunch and eat with us in the Atrium.

Sept 4 Glenn Hole, Audiology First

What happens when hearing aids aren't enough? A dicussion on implantable hearing devices

Susan Cake, Athabasca Sept 11

University

What is the current state of childcare in Alberta?

Kaitte Aurora, Community Sept 18 Advocate

Being Trans Is Amazing! So Why All The Hate?

What Happens When a Performing Arts Centre

Sept 28

Becomes the Cornerstone of Community Growth?

Weekly programs are broadcast on Rogers Community TV and are available at SACPA.ca

#### **Notices:**

The LSCO will be CLOSED for Labour Day on Monday, September 1 and CLOSED for Truth and Reconciliation Day on Tuesday, September 30th (Pickleball still available in Gvm 2 until 3 pm)

The City will be enforcing the 2 hour parking limit in our parking lot regularly starting in July. Please ensure your parking pass is up to date and visible.

The Fitness Centre is closed for floor replacement until mid September.

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# MENU $\sim$ SEPTEMBER 2025

Soup & Salad Special Changes Daily See Menu Board in Dining Room

Breakfast served from 8:00  $\sim$  11:00 am  $\cdot$  Lunch served from 11:00 am  $\sim$  1:00 pm

\*menu subject to change without notice

Monday, September 1	Tuesday, September 2	Wednesday, September 3	Thursday, September 4	Friday, September 5
Entree: Honey Garlic Pork Starch: Rice Veggie & Soup: Chef's Choice  LSCO CLOSED MOW Delivered Friday Aug 29	Entree: Butter Chicken Meatballs Starch: Rice Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Beef Stew Starch: Mashed Potatoes Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Sausage Starch: Perogies Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Roast Beef Starch: Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed Potatoes Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice
Monday, September 8	Tuesday, September 9	Wednesday, September 10	Thursday, September 11	Friday, September 12
Entree: Chicken Cordon Blue Starch: Mashed Potatoes Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Rindsrouladen (Slow cooked stuffed beef) Starch: Spatzle Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Chicken Alfredo Starch: Fettuccini Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Beef Cannelloni Starch: Garlic Toast Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Baked Ham Starch: Scalloped Potatoes Soup: Chef's Choice Veggie: Chef's Choice
Monday, September 15	Tuesday, September 16	Wednesday, September 17	Thursday, September 18	Friday, September 19
Entree: Meatloaf Starch: Mashed Potatoes Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Hunter Schnitzel Starch: Spatzle Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Fiesta Chicken Starch: Rice Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Spaghetti & Meatballs Starch: Garlic Toast Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Chicken Parmigiana Starch: Spaghetti Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice
Monday, September 22	Tuesday, September 23	Wednesday, September 24	Thursday, September 25	Friday, September 26
Entree: Bangers Starch: Mashed Potatoes Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Chicken Dumplings Starch: Rice Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Pupusa (stuffed flatbread) Starch: Rice Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Beef & Macaroni Casserole Starch: Garlic Toast Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Entree: Beef Stroganoff Starch: Egg Noodles Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice
Monday, September 29	Tuesday, September 30			
Entree: Sweet & Sour Chicken Ball Starch: Rice Veggie: Chef's Choice Soup: Chef's Choice	Starch: Garlic Toast Veggie & Soup: Chef's Choice  LSCO CLOSED MOW Delivered Mon Sept 29			

View the menu online at www.lethseniors.com/menu



### **SEPTEMBER 2025 EXHIBITS, PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

#### **EXHIBITS**









- ++ no registration | free to attend | all ages
- + registration required | free to attend | all ages
- no registration | museum admission applies | free to members | adults and seniors
- registration required | museum admission applies | free to members | adults and seniors

# **PROGRAMS**

Tue 09 | 10:30-11:30 AM **Creative Community \*** 

registration encouraged

Wed 10 | 2-3 PM

Thawing Samaritan History: A Journey, with John Thompson \*\*

Thu 18 | 5-7 PM

**News Blast from the Past: Community Presentation ++** 

Wed 24 | 9-10 AM

Toddler Time: Explore & Play \*

toddlers with caregivers

Thu 25 | 2–3 PM

**Blackfoot Genealogy in the Archives: Kinship \*** 

all ages | registration encouraged

Thu 25 | 5-7 PM

#### Blackfoot Language on the Land with John Chief Calf +

registration encouraged | free | meet at Fort Whoop-Up

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Fri 19 | 5-11 PM

#### **Friends of Galt Present: Bridge & Brews**

18+, ID required | tickets \$35, or \$50 with Commemorative Pint Glass | purchase online at friends.galtmuseum.com

Fri 26 | 6-8 PM

Earth, Memory, and Resistance: An **Indigenous Climate Action Panel** with SAAG ++

Sat 27 | 1–2 PM

**Sustainable Fashion Design with** Roberta Hibbert +

Sun 28 | 4-8 PM

**Indigenous Fashion Show ++** 

funded by Alberta Culture Days







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# **Welcome Julie** as LEARN Case Manager



Hi everyone!

My name is Julie Coleman and on Monday August 11th I joined the LSCO LEARN team. I am sincerely grateful to Kaitlynn and Amy for this opportunity, and to Marissa for leading me through an action packed, solution focussed first week of training.

I have been working in human services for over 25 years in a variety of roles

across government and the nonprofit sector primarily in family violence prevention and intervention programs.

I want to thank everyone I have met so far for the warm welcome, and I look forward to getting to know all of you as I embark on this new work adventure!

- Julie



LEARN is a Coordinated Community Response composed of senior serving agencies that work to provide education, awareness, and advocacy to community members regarding elder abuse.

### STEADY MOVES **EDUCATION AND EXERCISE SERIES**

Join us for Steady Moves, a FREE 8-week falls prevention series.

Each session includes a 30-minute expert-led talk on evidence-based falls prevention strategies, followed by a 1-hour strength and balance exercise class.

> Thursdays from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. October 3 - November 20

at Lethbridge Senior Citizens Organization (LSCO) 500 11 St S, Lethbridge, AB

Registration required! To register, call LSCO (403) 320-2222

#### **Additional Information:**

#### This program is aimed at older adults who:

- · Live independently (e.g., at home or a
- · Walk independently without assistive devices (e.g., canes, walkers, wheelchairs).
- · Are capable of exercising without assistance and can manage movements independently.



Pharmacy, physiotherapy, exercise physiology, occupational therapy, nutrition, optometry, hearing, health promotion and community connection









### **SEPTEMBER 2025 SUPPORT SERVICES CALENDAR**

#### \*appointment/registration required



September 2 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

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1:30 pm - 3:00 pm | Room C/D

**Community Connect Coffee Group** 

A opportunity to build connections, grow meaningful connections, and strengthen access to community supports. Drop-in style, no need to register, no cost.

September 3

Prescribing Pharmacist On-Site\* 10:00 am - 12:00 pm | Card Area

Medicine Shoppe is available for blood pressure checks, lab requisitions, med reviews & prescribing, strep throat testing, consultations and Covid and flu vaccinations. Vaccinations require appointments.

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

Service Canada & CRA Support Clinic 9:00 am - 12:00 pm | Card Area

FREE On-site Service Canada and CRA representatives available to answer your questions

September 8

**VolunTEAM Meetings** 

regarding federal benefits and programs

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | Atrium

An opportunity for LSCO volunteers to come together! Chaired by the Volunteer Coordinator, volunteers will be able to provide feedback, ask questions and discuss volunteer opportunities.

September 10 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

15 Minute Lawyer Consultations\* 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm | Quiet Room

Free 15 minute consultations with local lawyer, Austyn Anderson.

Free eyeglass adjustment, courtesy of Spec Savers, Park Place Mall.

September 11

Hearing Screening\* 10:00 am - 12:00 pm | Quiet Room

Lethbridge Hearing Centre can help you understand your hearing health at no cost.

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday September 11

Mobile Food Support 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm | LSCO Parking Lot The Lethbridge Food Bank will be at LSCO with excess food for the community to help address food insecurity. No income testing open to everyone of all ages, at no cost. First come, first served.

September 16

Single Session Counselling\* 12:30 pm -3:30 pm | Quiet Room This counselling model provides an opportunity for individuals to try counselling at no cost. Sessions are 1 ½ hour in length. Book an appointment through SCSP Intake at 403-329-1544 or intake@lethseniors.com.

September 16 **November 4** 

**Building Healthy Relationships\*** 10:00 am -12:00 pm | Board Room

Psycho-social group including topics on boundaries, communication, relationship challenges, addiction and mental health as well as elder abuse. Register by calling 403-394-0306.

**Every Tuesday** September 17

**Eye Glass Adjustments** 1:00-2:00pm | Library

Free neck and shoulder massages from the Lethbridge Polytechnic Massage Therapy Students.

September 18 September 25

10:00 am - 12:00 pm | Card Areas **Money Matters Consultations\*** 11:00 am - 2:00 pm | Quiet Room

**Polytechnic Massage Clinic** 

Learn how to make money work for you. Book a 30-minute, no obligation financial review with licensed professional Dana-Lynn Humphrey to discuss your financial goals, dreams, and questions.

Last Thursday September 26

Be Fast Friends\* 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm | Quiet Room This social connection event is designed to help people quickly meet and form new friendships in a casual way. Speed friending will be led by a social worker and recreational therapist. Register by calling Intake at 403-329-1544.

Stay up to date on these events on our event calendar www.lethseniors.com/events

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#### **Mark Your Calendars!**

Hello everyone!

It's crazy to me that we are already moving into the fall time! I feel like it was just the Live Well Showcase and that was already over 3 months ago!

Kaitlynn gave a great recap of our 50th Celebration and Whoop Up Days so I want to look forward instead. But, know that I am so deeply appreciative of everyone that helped with both events - these were huge undertakings and we could not have done them without our volunteers and members stepping up. If you want to see photos - check out the spread on page 12.

#### **LSCO Open House** Saturday, Sept. 20th, 10am - 2 pm

Mark your calendars! The LSCO will be holding an Open House on Friday, September 20 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. This is a great opportunity for the community to explore everything LSCO has to offer.

Guests can enjoy free 30-minute trial classes at 10:15, 11:15, 12:15, and 1:15, along with guided facility tours every 30 minutes. By popular demand, our famous Dumbo Ears will also be available for purchase during the event.

A special treat—our LSCO Diner will be open during the Open House! This is a rare chance to enjoy the diner on a weekend, so it's the perfect time to bring a friend you've been meaning to invite and share a meal while discovering all that LSCO has to offer.

Visitors will have the chance to learn about our wide range of classes, programs, clubs, and support services, and see firsthand the many ways to get involved, stay active, and connect with others in their golden years.

We are also inviting all LSCO groups and clubs to participate. Members are asked to spend time in their usual meeting spaces, ready to share information, answer questions, and showcase what makes their group unique. This is a fantastic chance to recruit new members and grow participation.

We will also need volunteers in the diner (dishwashers, bussers, servers etc), greeters, and maybe even a tour guide or two! All volunteers (including those from LSCO groups) can track volunteer hours for this event towards their membership discount, so please sign up with Madison at volunteer@lethseniors.com if you plan on being there.



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#### **2nd Annual Twilight Soiree** Saturday, November 1st, 5:30

The LSCO's Twilight Soirée is back on Saturday, November 1st, and we couldn't be more excited to bring this special evening to our community once again.

Guests will enjoy a brand-new menu, an incredible opening act, and of course—Hippodrome will be returning to keep the dance floor full all night long. With last year's event receiving so much positive feedback, we expect tickets to go fast again this year. If you're planning to attend with a group, we recommend purchasing a table to ensure you can all sit together. Tickets will go on sale in mid-September and will be \$100 with a discount on tables of 8.

Like last year, this event wouldn't be possible without the help of many dedicated volunteers. If you would like to volunteer at the event or for set up or takedown, please connect with Madison. We're also looking for support in building a strong silent auction, which plays a huge role in the success of the fundraiser. If you'd like to donate an item—or help us connect with businesses who might be interested—please reach out to me. And as always, if you are interested in sponsoring the event, or know a business who would be interested, please let me know.

We're grateful for the overwhelming support this event received last year, raising over \$15,000 and I'd love to hear from you if you have suggestions to make this year's Soirée even better!







# Snag your very own LSCO 50th anniversary T-Shirt for \$30!

These will only be sold in 2025 for our 50th Anniversary so don't miss out!

Sizes S - 3xl, available in yellow or green. Purchase yours at the admin desk.

Thank you SoNormal Print for sponsoring these limited edition shirts!





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# Thanks for Making our LSCO Summer Events Shine!

As the summer winds down, I want to extend a heartfelt thank-you to the incredible volunteers who made our recent events not only possible—but truly unforgettable.

This year's 50th Anniversary Block Party in July was a milestone celebration, and our involvement in the August Whoop-Up Days parade and pancake breakfast really brought the community together in the best way possible. Behind the scenes, it was the volunteers who worked to create a welcoming, fun-filled atmosphere for all ages.

But the celebration isn't over yet! As we look ahead to fall, we're gearing up for another exciting event: our LSCO Open House on September 20 from 10am-2pm. This will be an opportunity to showcase our programs and classes, welcome new faces, and continue building community spirit!

We are also bringing back the Friday Music program in the fall! Once again, we need your help to make it a success. If you have a musical talent or know someone who



#### Volunteer Coordinator

Madison Gauthier volunteer@lethseniors.com ext. 208

loves to sing, play an instrument, or does a performing act - please contact Madison at the information below. Music volunteers should be available from 11am-1pm on Fridays.

If you enjoyed volunteering this summer or are looking to get involved for the first time, we'd love to have you join us. Please reach out at volunteer@lethseniors.com or visit the website and fill out our volunteer application. Volunteering is a great way to meet people, give back, and be part of something meaningful.

On a personal note, thank you to everyone who has welcomed me into this role over the summer, I truly appreciate the kind words and advice as we move into the fall and get back into the swing of things here at LSCO.

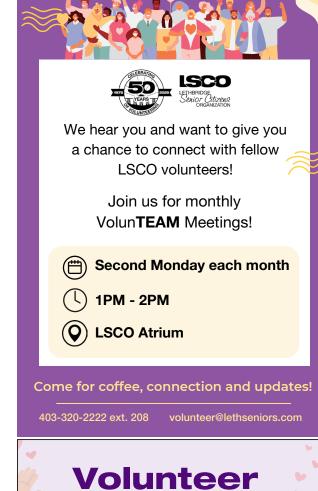
Thank you once again to all who gave their time and talent this summer. You are the heart of what we do and we can't wait to work alongside you again in the fall!

#### **Volunteers in Action!**









# Opportunities

#### **Bingo**

Thursdays 11 AM to 4 PM

Lunch Server Weekdays, 11 am - 1 pm

Dialassa alassa

**Dishwashers** Weekdays, 8 - 11 am

MOW Delivery Drivers Weekdays, 10 am - 12 pm

Community Connect Caller Remote and flexible, 1hr/week

**Drive Happiness Driver** Flexible on your schedule

Newspaper Delivery Driver Last Friday of the month, 1-2 hrs

Friday Music Program
Fridays, 8 - 11am

#### **LSCO Open House**

Saturday, September 20th, 10 am - 2 pm

Can't commit to a specific day of the week? Sign up to be relief for other volunteers who aren't able to make it to their regular shift.

#### **Contact the Volunteer Team**

volunteer@lethseniors.com 403-320-2222 ext. 208

Don't forget about the **VolunTEAM meetings** on the **second Monday each month at 1pm** to share your thoughts
and connect with other volunteers!



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# WANT TO LEARN ABOUT HOW YOU FORM MEMORIES?

You are invited to participate in our study: 'Real-life recall: An fMRI exploration of episodic memory in the real-world'

#### What's the Study About?

We're exploring how people remember real-world events-like scenes from everyday life- using brain imaging (fMRI). You will help us understand how memories form in real life, not just in the lab!



#### What Will You Do?

- 2 sessions (2 hours each), seven days apart
- Watch short scenes and remember them while we scan your brain
- Complete questionnaires and behavioural tests
- Earn \$100 for your time

#### Who can participate?

- 55-75 years olds
- People with normal or corrected vision
- Can comfortably lie still and complete a short walking tour

#### Where?

3T MRI Centre, University of Lethbridge

#### **Interested? Get in Touch!**

Pl: Dr. Chelsea Ekstrand Email: ekstrandneurolab@gmail.com Phone: (403) 332-4582

This study has been reviewed and approved by the University of Alberta Ethics Office (Pro00144671)

#### **Benefits of Massage Therapy for Seniors**

Massage therapy can improve circulation, which is crucial since diminished blood flow can lead to various health problems such as muscle stiffness and pain, particularly in older adults. Improved circulation can boost the delivery of oxygen and nutrients to tissues, promoting faster recovery and better functioning of body systems. For seniors dealing with chronic pain conditions like arthritis, massage therapy can be particularly beneficial. Gentle techniques can significantly reduce pain, improve joint flexibility, and decrease inflammation.

As you age, you may encounter different health issues that need to be considered during a massage therapy session. Understanding these conditions is crucial for both you and your massage therapist. Here are some common health considerations:

- Arthritis: If you have arthritis, gentle techniques such as Swedish massage therapy can help reduce pain and improve joint mobility.
- Osteoporosis: Fragile bones require a softer touch to prevent injury. Light, gentle pressure is key.
- Diabetes: If you have diabetes, special care must be taken with foot massages due to potential sensitivity and poor circulation.
- High Blood Pressure: Some massage techniques can be beneficial for lowering blood pressure, but it's crucial to communicate your condition to the therapist.
- Chronic Pain: Techniques like trigger point massage therapy can be adapted to address chronic pain without causing additional discomfort.

The Lethbridge Polytechnic Massage Therapy students will be at the LSCO on Thursday, September 18th from 10-12 in the card area to offer FREE neck and shoulder massages (first come first served)



622 13TH STREET NORTH

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#### September LSCO Weekly Schedule Schedule may change without notice. Wednesday **Thursday** Friday Monday Tuesday **LSCO Administration LSCO Administration LSCO Administration LSCO Administration LSCO Administration** 8:00 am-4:30 pm **LSCO Diner LSCO Diner LSCO Diner LSCO Diner LSCO Diner** 8:00 am-3:00 pm **Billiards Billiards Billiards Billiards Billiards** 8:30 am-3:00 pm **Carpentry/Woodworking** Carpentry/Woodworking Carpentry/Woodworking **Carpentry/Woodworking Carpentry/Woodworking** 8:30 am-4:00 pm 8:30 am-4:00 pm 8:30 am-4:00 pm 8:30 am-3:00 pm 8:30 am-4:00 pm **Boutique Boutique Boutique Boutique Boutique** 10:00 am-3:00 pm Cardio Strength **Pilates for Beginners** Cardio to the Core **Cycle For All Levels** 8:00 am-8:50 am @ Gym 2 8:45 am-9:45 am @ Room A/B 8:00 am-8:50 am @ Gym 2 8:00 am-8:45 am @ Gym 2 **Tai Chi Practice Group** 8:15 am-9:15 am @ Stage Area **Tai Chi Practice Group** Tai Chi Practice Group 8:00 8:15 am-9:15 am @ Stage Area 8:15 am-9:15 am @ Stage Area **Fit Ball** Tabata **Amateur Radio** Fit Ball **Tabata** 9:00 am-11:00 am @ Radio Room 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 1 9:00 am-9:50 am @ Gym 1 9:00 am-9:50 am @ Gym 1 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 1 Yoga Refresh **Cycle Combo Bike & More** Zumba (R) **TRX Combo** 9:00 am-10:00am @ APR 9:00 am- 9:55 am @ Gym 2 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 2 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 2 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 2 **Paper Tole & Creative Arts Fitness/Power Walking Chair Exercises** 9:00 am-3:00 pm @ Arts & Crafts 9:00 am-9:55 am @ Gym 1 9:30-10:15 am @ Stage Area Room Core & Stretch 9:10 am-10:00 am @ APR **Gentle Yoga Chair Yoga Gentle Yoga** Abs & Core **Yoga For Seniors** 10:00-10:45 am @ Stage Area 10:10 am-11:00 am @ APR 10:00 am-11:00 am @ APR 10:15 am-11:15 am @ Room A/B 10:00 am-11:00 am @ APR **Gentle Exercise Spring Forest Qigong** Genealogy **Pilates Gentle Exercise** 10:15 am-11:00 am @ Gym 1 10:15 am-11:00 am @ Gym 1 10:00am-11:15am @ Stage 10:00 am-3:00 pm @ Board Room 10:15 am-11:30 am @ Room A/B **Seniors Who Lift Strength Circuit Table Tennis** Lapidary 10:15 am-11:15 am @ Fitness 10:15 am-11:10 am @ Gym 2 10:30 am-12:00 pm @ Room C/D 10:00 am-3:00 pm @ Lapidary Centre Yoga Nidra **Gentle Exercise** 10:15 am-11:00 am @ Gym 1 **Badminton** 11:30 am-12:30pm @ Room A/B 10:15 am-12:00 pm @ Gym 1 Tai Chi 108 Yang Syle **Traditional Qigong** 10:15am-11:15am@ Gym 2 10:15am-11:15am@ Gym 2 **Pilates Essentrics Badminton Badminton** 11:15 am-12:30 pm @ APR 11:30 pm-12:15 pm @ Gym 2 11:15 am-12:45 pm @ Gym 1 11:15 am-12:45 pm @ Gym 1 Quilting **Functional Fitness Line Dancing - Experienced** 11:30 am-12:15 pm @ Stage 12:00 pm-3:00 pm @ Stage 11:30 am-12:30 pm @ Gym 2 **Badminton** 11:15 am-12:45 pm @ Gym 1 Computer Club **Line Dancing - Beginner Knitting, Crochet & More Computer Club** Karaoke 1:00 pm-4:00 pm @ Computer Lab 1:00 pm-3:30 pm @ Board Room 12:45 pm-1:45 pm @ Gym 2 1:00 pm-4:00 pm @ Dining Room 1:00 pm-4:00 pm@ Computer Lab **Drop In Crib** Yoga For Seniors **Strength & Mobility Computer Club** 1:00-3:00 pm @ Card Area 1:00 pm-2:00 pm @ Room A/B 1:30 pm-2:30 pm @ Fitness Centre 1:00 pm-4:00 pm @ Computer Lab Strength & Mobility **Table Tennis** Watercolour Group 2:30 pm-4:00 pm @ Room C/D 1:30 pm-2:30 pm @ Fitness Centre 1:00 pm-3:00 pm @ Art & Craft Room **Table Tennis** 2:30 pm-4:00 pm @ Room C/D Flow Yoga **Moving to Heal** 4:00 pm-5:00 pm @ Room A/B 5:00 pm-6:00 pm @ Room A/B Classic Nia 5:15 pm-6:15 pm @ Gym 2

For more information regarding programs contact the Administration Desk at 403-320-2222.

Note: Some programs are Full. Ask about Drop In Classes

For information about LSCO programs go to www.lethseniors.com and register online.

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# Fall 2025 Programs

#### **IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW**

- Please do not arrive more than 15 minutes prior to the start of your class. Give class participants time to exit before entering.
- Dress in layers as the temperature in rooms may vary
- At the end of class please gather your belongings and exit so the room can be prepared for the next class.
- Please complete an Exercise/Fitness Waiver from your instructor or at the reception desk

#### **HOW DO I REGISTER?**

- IN PERSON 8:15 4:00 pm Monday Friday
- ONLINE at www.lethseniors.com. Find the Programs &
  Fitness tab at the top of the page and click. Additional tabs
  will be visible for you to review. You can also click "register
  online". \*\*Some classes may not be available to register
  online
- **PHONE IN**, by calling 403-320-2222.

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

- If a program says Out of Stock feel free to give us a call as space may be available or to put your name on a waiting list.
   If you are registering for someone else online, please include their name in the notes or give us a call.
- LSCO Members = (LSCO M); Non-Member = (NM)
- If the instructor is unavailable to teach due to illness or unforeseen circumstances, we will do our best to contact you prior to your class.
- When weather or other unforeseen circumstances, cause LSCO to cancel classes or close the facility, unfortunately we will not be able to make up the classes, give credits or refunds.

#### **CREDITS & REFUNDS**

- Please ensure you are registering for the correct class. Due to the popularity of many of the classes, refunds cannot be given after the register by date.
- Participants canceling out of a class prior to start date are subject to a \$10 Administration Fee (must be with more than 49 hours-notice). Participants withdrawing within 48 hours or less, will not be given a credit or refund.
- If requesting a refund or credit due to medical reasons contact the Administration Desk as soon as possible. A Doctor's note is preferred however a request can be made to the Program Department Manager. Participants will be subject to a \$10 Administration Fee after the class has started.
- Credits/Refunds will be prorated for any classes attended. If there was a waiting list for the class a refund/credit will not be given.
- Refunds will be given if LSCO cancels a course. Participants also have the option of taking credit. Credits must be used in 12 months from the date given.
- At times programs may be canceled due to meetings, holidays, low attendance, special events, etc. Please watch for notices.

# IN THE COMMUNITY

### Lethbridge Scottish Country Dance

<u>Date:</u> Join us for some FUN Wednesday Evenings starting September 3, 7-9 PM

<u>Location:</u> St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall 1818 5 Avenue South

Cost: \$30 September-May

Dance some traditional Jigs, Reels and Strathspeys to live music.

Learn specialized steps and formations that keep you active while having fun in our social group. No partner needed to join. No special clothing required.

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For more information contact: Pam Vogt 403-332-1208

#### **RETIREES WANTED**

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#### LSCO Ultimate Fitness Membership (UFM)

#### **Membership Benefits**

- Memebers have unlimited access to the Fitness Centre during hours of operation.
- 2. Members can register for their allotted number of classes without additional charges (see pricing in "Fees" section) all additional classes can be registered at standard LSCO member price. Certain classes are not included in this membership. Classes included in the Ultimate Fitness Membership may change without notice. Ask at the Administration Desk.
- 3. Members can drop in to classes that are included in the UFM, without additional charges, IF space is available.

#### Registration

- Individuals purchasing the membership will be required to sign an Agreement Form, be 55 years of age or older, and be current LSCO members.
- Do NOT register online! For now, UFM must pre-register for eligible classes in person or over the phone. Online registrations can be taken for classes that are NOT included in the Ultimate Fitness Membership.

#### **Welcome Policy**

Members who meet the income qualification are eligible for 25% off the purchase price of the Ultimate Fitness Membership per our LSCO Welcome Policy (page 3).

#### Fees

LSCO 12-month \$60 Membership is required prior to purchasing the UFM.

- Tiered pricing is available to customize price points for members with different levels of usage:
  - 4 registered classes/week plus unlimited drop-ins ......\$280
     (Approximately 33% discount; \$4.50 per class)
  - ▷ 5 registered classes/week plus unlimited drop-ins ......\$320
     (Approximately 42% discount; \$4.00 per class)
  - ▶ 6 registered classes/week plus unlimited drop-ins ......\$335 (Approximately 50% discount; \$3.50 per class)
- Entire 4-month membership must be paid in full at point of purchase. UFM and LSCO membership must remain current for the entire duration of any registered programs. If either membership is set to expire more than 7 days before the end of a session, it must be renewed prior to registration of any qualifying programs.
- UFM are sold seasonally (January-April, May-August, September-December) but may be prorated if purchased mid-season.
- No refunds available for UFM; if you are unable to use your membership for an extended period of time please contact the program manager to discuss (email programs@lethseniors.com or call LSCO at 403-320-2222).

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#### **Creative Arts**

#### **HERITAGE BLANKETS**

Join Marcelle in the Computer Lab for a fun, creative way to transform your photos into a beautiful keepsake. These 50 x 60 inch blankets would make an excellent gift or a beautiful addition to your own home. Simply select a template and insert your images to create a personalized blanket. Marcelle will assist you with scanning any physical photos you may have as well as transferring photos from other devices.

#### **All Sessions:**

Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Fee: \$110 LSCO M; \$125 NM

Instructor: Marcelle Velve Location: Computer Room

Session 1:

Monday, Sept. 29 When:

Register by: Wednesday, September 24

Session 2: When:

Monday, Oct. 27 Register by: Wednesday, October 22

Session 3:

When: Monday, Nov. 24

Register by: Wednesday, November 19

#### **FALL INTO LINE**

In this class we will explore line drawings. Learn how to see edges of forms and shapes with a simple line drawing. Contour lines, gestural lines, cross contours, descriptive lines, and exploratory lines, are all important when learning how to draw. Great for any level of learning. Ask for a supply list when registering.

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - 29 Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Fee: \$100 LSCO M; \$120 NM Register by: Wednesday, September 3

Instructor: Donna Gallant Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### **LEAF IT TO ME**

This class will consist of line (pen) and wash (watercolour). Learn how to combine these two medias to create unique paintings of our glorious fall leaves. We may work from life at times. No experience necessary. Ask for a supply list when registering.

When: Tuesdays, Oct. 14 - 28 Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm \$75 LSCO M; \$90 NM Fee: Register by: Wednesday, October 8 Donna Gallant Instructor: Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### **PATHWAYS AND TRAILS -PAINTINGS IN ACRYLIC**

Don't you love a fall walk with beautiful colours and dancing leaves. In this 3 week class we will capture these moments. You will also learn about perspective and atmospheric effects on the landscape. This class will be suited for students with some previous knowledge in painting with acrylics. Ask for a supply list when registering.

When: Thursdays, Nov. 13 - 27 Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Fee: \$75 LSCO M; \$90 NM Register by: Monday, November 10 Donna Gallant Instructor: Arts & Crafts Room Location:

#### **MAKING DECORATIVE PAPERS**

Rosemary, new to LSCO as an instructor, is an artist who works with papers of all types, and with several paper processes from paper making through to paper decoration. In her paper decorating class, we will learn simple paper decorating techniques to create papers for making small "chap" books. We will learn a simple book binding technique (stab binding) to allow for multiple decorated pages to be bound together. At the end of our two sessions we will have bound our own papers into a book which will guide our paper decorating practice.

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 17 & 24 Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm \$50 LSCO M: \$60 NM Fee: Register by: Friday, September 12 Instructor: Rosemary Allen Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### PAPER ARTS, ZINES, AND **TELLING STORIES**

In this class we will learn how to decorate paper and create a simple eight folded page book from one piece of paper called a "zine". Using different sizes of paper to get different zine page sizes, we will create some zines using only words, only images, or using both words and images. Bring some stories of grand kids and their special days, first days like school, anniversaries, birthdays, or first days home. We will create a zine in each paper size to carry these stories.

When: Wednesday, Oct. 8 & 22 Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm \$50 LSCO M; \$60 NM Fee: Register by: Friday, October 3 Rosemary Allen Instructor: Location: Arts & Crafts Room





#### PAPER ARTS-ZIG ZAG FOLDED **OLD FASHIONED CARDS,**

In this class we will learn how to create a special seasonal card with a zig zag fold technique and lay out some words. We will create a one of a kind card in time for the holiday. Zig Zag folded small books could house photos across the seasons of past year(s). Bring duplicate photos which could be glued into your zig zag book of months, or seasons. At the end of the two sessions we will have a zig zag book unique to our story to keep or to give.

When: Wednesdays, Dec. 3 & 10 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Time: Fee: \$50 LSCO M; \$60 NM Register by: Friday, November 28 Rosemary Allen Instructor: Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### **PAINT & CHAT**

Join Donna as she guides both the beginner and more advanced painter with techniques and tricks to complete an acrylic painting. She brings the supplies you will need. All you bring is the willingness to learn and have fun. Donna is an artist from Southern Alberta who enjoys sharing her knowledge.

#### Session 2:

Tuesday, Sept. 16 When: Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm Fee: \$55 LSCO M; \$65 NM Register by: Thursday, September 11

Instructor: Donna Bilyk Location: Arts & Crafts Room

Session 3:

When: Tuesday, Oct. 14 Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm \$55 LSCO M; \$65 NM Fee: Register by: Thursday, October 9 Instructor: Donna Bilyk Arts & Crafts Room Location:



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Article continued from page 1.. City council member and former mayor Rajko Dodic has been coming to the LSCO for years.

"LSCO over the years has done a fan tastic job," said Dodic. "My connection with them goes back to around 2010. I started coming every Friday with a group of friends to the LCSO and that's continued to this date. So for 15 years, every Friday I come to enjoy the companion ship that LSCO offers. But of course they have other services.

"It's pretty well open to anyone. My wife herself goes and does some programming here. You've got swimming, you've got pick-leball...there's a host of activities and services available to the community. I would encourage everyone to at the very least, come in, walk around and have lunch."

Rob Miyashiro, Lethbridge West MLA and former executive director of the LSCO, was on hand to celebrate and to present a certificate acknowledging the LSCO's milestone. Miyashiro served the LSCO for 17 years before stepping down after winning the Lethbridge-West by- election in December.

"I spent about 27 per cent of my life and about 40 per cent of my working life at LSCO," he told the crowd. "Seeing an event like this with all the community engaged with the people here brings me great pleasure. Greetings and congratulations to the Board of Directors, the members and especially the staff who are here today, who certainly made my job as executive director so much easier. Thank you for all the work you have done."

The LSCO's multipurpose, 56,200 square foot building is centrally located just behind the Sterndale Bennett Theatre. Lethbridge's oldest swimming pool, Fritz Sick Pool, is a part of the facility and offers open swims,



Dumbo Ears were a big hit for Whoop Up Days! Thank you to Tim for the orginal recipe and the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make over 1500 Dumbo Ears!!

Missed the action? We'll be selling them at our open house on Saturday, September 20th from 10 - 2





aqua-fit and senior programs; programs that are especially important to members of the LSCO. (Though the swimming pool is run by the City of Lethbridge).

The LSCO's history is marked by growth and expansion since its inception; and the organization has become one of the largest senior organizations in Canada.

"I'm so grateful that we've got the opportunity to be here today," said Lethbridge Mayor Blaine Hyggen. "To everybody, the volunteers and all of those have put this together ...thank you very much for everything you do for our community, making it more vibrant."

Like almost all not-for- profit organizations, the LSCO depends on two things to continue its mission; the continual help from its volunteers and the continuous quest for funding. LSCO is working with Community Foundation to build an endowment fund.

This article was orginally published on the front page of the Lethbridge Herald on July 29, 2025



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Congratulations to our 50/50 winner Jerry (#35) who took home \$1920!

Congratulations to our Lifetime Membership Raffle Winners (raising \$1130) Carol(#23), Linda (#165), Cory (#174)



**Thank you** Dilinna, Eniola (CCH High School Volunteers) for painting the 70's bus that Dave from the LSCO woodshop painstainkingly cut out.



**Thank you** to Pat for all the help decorating the float and Nita for riding in the Whoop Up days parade

Darlene Dahl won the prize for best outfit at the 70s fashion show!















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#### Dance & Movement

#### **POUND**

This class consists of a 45-minute Pound (cardio drumming) session that will challenge your whole body. You will leave feeling great! The participants in this class are friendly and welcoming, and it is suitable for absolutely everyone. Modifications will be provided. Come out and give it a try. Space is limited-register early!

When: Wednesdays, Oct. 8 - Dec.10 11:00 - 11:45 am Time \$80 LSCO M; \$ 100 NM Fee:

Register by: Thursday, October 2 Sheila Mulgrew Instructor: All Purpose Room Location:

#### **ZUMBA GOLD/ZUMBA GOLD TONING**

This class combines the best of both Zumba Gold (dance fitness without weights) for half of the class and Zumba Gold Toning, the other half of the class where we will use handheld toning sticks to focus on muscle toning and conditioning, to help increase your strength and bone density. Truly exercise in disguise!! Wear comfortable clothes, footwear and bring a water bottle.

When: Tuesdays, Oct. 7 - Dec. 9 Time 11:15 am – 12:15 pm \$72 LSCO M; \$ 90 NM Fee: Register by: Thursday, October 2 Sheila Mularew Instructor: Location: All Purpose Room

#### **ZUMBA** ®

Come ready to sweat, smile, and lose yourself in the music - Zumba ® is a Latin Dance based fitness class that will give you a cardiovascular workout disguised as a dance party! All fitness levels are welcome.

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Dec. 15

Time 9:00 - 9:55 am

Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$ 126 NM Register by: Thursday, September 4 Gabrielle Dumont Instructor:

Location: Gym 2

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#### **BEGINNER LINE DANCING**

If you love music and dancing but have never line danced before (or maybe just a little) and want to learn, this class is for you. Gloria-Rose will teach you basic line dances. Guys are welcome too! Wear comfortable indoor footwear, cool clothing and bring a water bottle. Minimum 8 people run class.

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 10

Time: 12:45 – 1:45 pm Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM Drop-In: Friday, September 5 Gloria-Rose Puurveen Instructor:

Location: Gym 2

#### **EXPERIENCED BEGINNER LINE DANCING**

This class is intended for those who have taken a beginner dance class, and/or have some line dance experience and are comfortable dancing to faster music. Less time will be spent on reviewing and more dancing will occur. Come dance like no one is watching!! Guys are welcome too! Space is limited, register early.

When: Wednesdays, Sept.10 - Dec. 10

Time: 11:30 - 12:30pm Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM Drop-In: Friday, September 5 Instructor: Gloria-Rose Puurveen

Location: Gym 2

#### **CLASSIC NIA**

Join, Lise LeMoine, Nia Teacher and Trainer, as she takes you on a movement journey in Your Body's Way. Classic Nia is a 1-hour movement practice inclusive of dance, martial arts and healing arts. To soul stirring music I will take you on a ride of joy, play, contrast, agility, balance, and life affirming joy. Coordination, balance, agility and ease are a few of the by-products. Nia is movement medicine for the body and soul. (Not included in Ultimate Fitness Membership).

When: Thursdays, Sept. 11- Nov. 27

Time: 5:15 – 6:15 pm

\$108 LSCO M; \$132 NM Register by: Friday, August 29 Lise Schulze Instructor:

Location: Gym 2

#### **MOVING TO HEAL**

Join Lise Schulze, Nia Teacher and Trainer for Moving to Heal in a 1-hour movement practice focusing on healing and balancing in the body and mind. Using a chair for stability we will move to music and help the body find its way into ease and joy. Healing, balance and conditioning are by products. Moving to Heal is a derivative of The Nia Technique. (Not included in Ultimate Fitness Membership).

When: Thursdays, Sept.11- Nov. 27

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 pm

\$108 LSCO M; \$132 NM Fee:

Register by: Friday, August 29 Instructor: Lise Shulze Room A/B Location:



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#### Fitness - Intermediate/Advanced Levels

#### Classes for Intermediate/ Advanced Levels are right for you if:

You know you aren't new to fitness anymore, but you aren't an expert either. You have built up a base level of strength and endurance. By now, you've improved your work capacity, increased the intensity of your workouts, and learned proper techniques for most exercises.

#### **CARDIO TO THE CORE**

The instructor will lead you through a number of different moves and exercises to ensure you get that great workout you are looking for! Wear comfortable workout clothes and indoor sneakers. Bring a water bottle, yoga or exercise mat. Intermediate to advanced fitness levels.

Wednesdays, Sept. 10 - Dec. 17 When:

Time: 8:00 – 8:50 am

\$56 LSCO M; \$ 72 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in:

Instructor: Deb Palmer Location: Gym 2

#### **CARDIO STRENGTH**

Start your week out right with this mixed cardio and strength workout. Participants will use many different pieces of fitness equipment and are encouraged to exercise at their own level. Wear comfortable workout clothes and indoor runners. Bring a water bottle. Intermediate to advanced fitness level.

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Dec.15

(No Class Oct.13) 8:00 - 8:50 am

Time: \$98 LSCO M; \$ 126 NM Fee: Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Gabrielle Dumont Instructor:

Location: Gym 2

#### FITNESS/POWER WALKING

Participants will walk at a self-selected pace to improve cardiovascular fitness. The instructor will incorporate both high and low intensity options to increase overall body strength. You will be using all types of exercise equipment in this challenging class. Wear comfortable clothing, indoor footwear and bring a water bottle. Intermediate to advanced fitness levels.

Wednesdays, Sept. 3 - Dec. 17 When:

Time: 9:00 - 9:55 am

\$112 LSCO M; \$144 NM Fee: Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM

Instructor: Jamie Hillier Location: Gym 1

#### **LOW IMPACT BARRE**

Enjoy resistance training in a new way! In Low Impact Barre class you will use ballet-inspired positioning along with various modalities including dumbbells, resistance bands, and gliding disks to challenge your strength, stability, and endurance. There will also be a segment dedicated to more traditional strength training. This is a great class to experience choreography if you enjoy moving to the music without any fancy footwork. Please bring a yoga mat and a water bottle.

When: Mondays, Oct. 6 - Dec. 8

(No Class Oct.13) 10:15 - 11:00 am Time: \$64 LSCO M; \$80 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in:

Instructor: Sheila Mulgrew Location: All Purpose Room

#### **PILATES**

This class involves a series of classical Pilates exercises performed on an exercise mat. Each exercise emphasizes breath, core conditioning, and body awareness. We will pay special attention to alignment and form. Light weights, resistance tubing and other props may be used to add strength and stretch work. Wear comfortable workout clothes, bring a yoga mat, a towel to use as a prop and water bottle. \*Not included in **Ultimate Fitness Membership** 

#### **Mondays**

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Dec. 15

(No Class Oct.13) 11:15 am - 12:30 pm Time: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM

Fee: \$9 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: June Dow Instructor:

Location: All Purpose Room

#### **SENIORS WHO LIFT**

Bars & Plates, and a variety of other resistance equipment will be used by participants to perform movements such as lunges, presses, curls, and squats. Stretching to follow. This challenging class is beneficial to increase muscle strength and endurance. Participants should have some exercise experience.

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Oct. 27

10:15 - 11:10 am Time: Fee: \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: **Annabelle Darlow** 

Location: Gym 2









#### **TABATA**

This high energy fitness class is designed to give you an exhilarating work out! Participants will perform a variety of timed exercises that will be challenging (20 seconds of work at maximum effort, followed by 10 seconds of rest; 8 times). Wear comfortable exercise clothes, indoor shoes and bring a mat and water bottle. Intermediate to Advanced Fitness Levels. Class held in Gym 1.

#### **Mondays**

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Dec.15

No Class Oct.13 9:00 - 9:55 am

Time: Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Jamie Hillier

Gym 1

**Fridays** 

Location:

When: Fridays, Sept. 12 - Dec.12

9:00 - 9:55 am Time: Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: **Tracy Simons** 

Instructor: Location: Gym 1

> There is a 15 minute transition time scheduled between all programs.

Please allow participants to clean up and exit the space before the next program enters.





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#### Fitness - All Levels

#### **ABS AND CORE**

This class will get you where it counts! Core strength stabilizing exercises targeted at the entire core and the back. During this class you will be using your body weight, bands, tubing and other exercise equipment. Followed by a stretch. Modifications are given. Dress in comfortable workout clothing and indoor footwear. Bring an exercise mat and your water bottle. All fitness levels welcome.

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Dec. 8 10:10 - 11:00 am Time: \$90 LSCO M, \$117 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: **Tracy Simons** Location: All purpose Room

#### **BIKE & MORE**

Let the music guide your cadence as you get your heart pumping in this cardio combo class. Participants will be guided through a cycle workout before getting off the bike for some resistance training using a range of equipemnt from dumbbells to resistance bands. Bring a water bottle and clean indoor shoes.

Wednesday, Sept. 10- Dec.17 When:

9:00 - 10:00 am Time: \$105 LSCO M. \$135NM Fee: Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Instructor: Nancy Purkis

Location: Gym 2

#### **CORE & STRETCH**

Challenge your core with both resistance training strategies and bodyweight exercises before winding down with a relaxing, deep stretch. Suitable for all fitness levels.

When: Wednesdays, Sept.10 - Dec.10

Time: 9:10 – 9:50 am Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: **Tracy Simons** All Purpose Room Location:

#### **CHAIR EXERCISES**

This chair class will include stretching, exercise to help you increase strength, flexibility, range of motion for joints and stress reduction. Many options are given making it suitable for all fitness levels.

Session 1:

When: Thursdays, Sept. 4 - Oct. 23

9:30 - 10:15 am Time: \$40 LSCO M; \$56 NM Fee: \$6 LSCO M; \$8 NM Drop in: Instructor: Andrea Clarke Location: Stage Area

Session 2:

Thursdays, Oct. 30 - Dec.18 When: Time: 9:30 - 10:15 am

\$40 LSCO M; \$56 NM Fee: Monday, October 27 Drop in: Instructor: Andrea Clarke Location: Stage Area

#### CYCLE FOR ALL LEVELS

When you can't get outdoors to ride, come cycle with us! The instructor will lead the class through an energetic, low impact ride on a stationary bike to improve cardiovascular fitness. Participants can ride at their own pace. Stretching to follow

When: Fridays, Sept. 12 - Dec.12

Time: 8:00 - 8:45 am Fee: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Tracy Simons

Location: Gym 2

#### FITBALL FOR BALANCE & **STRENGTH**

This class will focus on balance exercises to help improve stability & coordination to reduce the risk of falls. Participants will also use many different exercise tools to increase strength and mobility. Cardiovascular fitness may improve by participating in this class. Wear comfortable clothing, indoor footwear, bring a water bottle. If you have a yoga/exercise mat please bring it as floor work may be included.

**Tuesdays** 

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 9- Dec. 16

(No Class Sept. 30 & Nov. 11)

9:00 - 9:50 am Time:

Fee: \$90 LSCO M; \$116 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Gabrielle Dumont

Location: Gym 1

**Thursdays** 

When: Thursdays, Sept.11- Dec.18

Time: 9:00 - 9:50 am

Fee: \$105 LSCO M; \$135 NM Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Instructor: Gabrielle Dumont

Location: Gym 1

#### **FUNCTIONAL FITNESS**

This 45-minute class is designed for anyone with limited mobility and impaired motor control looking to improve activities of daily living. Class will focus on building strength, core, and balance. A variety of exercise equipment will be used, if participants are comfortable with them. Wear comfortable light clothing. Bring your water bottle too.

Session 1:

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Oct. 27

(No Class Oct. 13) Time: 11:30 am - 12:15 pm \$35 LSCO M; \$45 NM Fee: \$6 LSCO M; \$8 NM Drop in: Instructor: Andrea Clarke

Stage Area

Session 2:

Location:

When: Mondays, Nov. 3 - Dec.15 11:30 am - 12:15 pm Time: Fee: \$35 LSCO M; \$45 NM Register by: Thursday, October 30 Instructor: Andrea Clarke

Location: Stage Area

#### Classes for All Fitness Levels are right for you if:

If it has been a while since you have exercised, are recovering from an injury, may have health/medical conditions, one or more of the classes listed in this category may be beneficial for you. If you aren't sure what class to try please ask our Fitness Staff.

#### **GENTLE EXERCISE**

The class will include low impact moves to increase your heart rate, use of resistance equipment to strengthen your muscles and stretches to help keep you limber. Chairs and a variety of exercise equipment will be used. Wear inside shoes and comfortable clothes to move freely in. Bring a water bottle too! Individuals of all skill levels and abilities are encouraged to attend.

#### Wednesdays

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 3 - Dec. 17

10:15 - 11:00 am Time: \$112 LSCO M, \$144NM Fee: Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Instructor: Donna Teifenbach

Location: Gym 1

**Fridays** 

When: Friday, Sept. 5 - Dec. 19 Time: 10:15 - 11:00 am \$112 LSCO M, \$144NM Fee: Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Instructor: Andrea Clarke

Location: Gym 1

#### **PILATES FOR BEGINNERS**

This class is a starting point for those who may be new to Pilates or would like to continue to build a firm foundation before progressing to the standard Pilates class. Our instructor will guide you from the ground up and make sure you are challenged but successful in each class. Please bring a yoga mat, water bottle, and a towel to use as a prop for class.

Session 1:

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 28

(No Class Sept. 30) Time: 8:45 - 9:45 am Fee: \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in:

Instructor: June Dow Location: Room A/B

Session 2:

When: Tuesdays, Nov. 4 - Dec.16

(No Class Nov. 11) 8:45 - 9:45 am

Time: Fee: \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM Register by: Thursday, October 30

Instructor: June Dow Room A/B Location:



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#### **LSCO Groups**

#### **AMATEUR RADIO**

The purpose of the LSCO Seniors Amateur Radio Group is to advance Amateur radio interests and where necessary, to provide emergency and community communications support. Newcomers are welcome to visit the Radio Room on the second floor at the LSCO and view our collection of "bygone days and current" amateur radio equipment. Anyone wishing to join the group or use the equipment with a member present, must have an amateur radio license. If someone would like to obtain their "ham" license. we do have volunteers who may help you with the licensing process at no cost except for the training manual. If you are interested in seeing what this is all about you are very welcome to pop in sometime for a visit and orientation.

When: Wednesdays

Time: 9:00 – 11:00 am (or longer on

request and with notice).

Fee: \$29/year & LSCO Membership

Location: Radio Room

#### **BILLIARDS**

Members are welcome to play pool daily. The tables are located on the second floor and are accessible by the elevator or stairs. If you are new to the game it is important for you to let us know so that arrangements can be made for you to receive some instructions. Members & non-members may drop in provided they are accompanied by a billiard member.

When Monday – Friday Time: 8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Fee: \$55/year & LSCO Membership

Drop In Fee: \$6 M; \$7 NM. Location: Billards Room

#### COMPUTERS

Individuals interested in attending workshops, volunteering in the Computer Lab, and sharing their technical knowledge are encouraged to join. A variety of information sessions and workshops are offered throughout the year. Non-members can pay \$5 to attend workshops and are very welcome. The Lab is available for members 3 afternoons. Note: At times the lab may be used for classes. Notices will be posted.

When: Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

Time: 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Fee: \$21/year & LSCO Membership

Location: Computer Lab

#### \*CYBER SMART SENIORS\* NEW

This initiative was created to bridge the digital divide and reduce social isolation amongolder adults by equipping them with essential technology skills. Participants will learn how to use smartphones and tablets, access online services, communicate through messaging apps, protect themselves from scams, and explore online banking tools all in a safe and supportive environment. Registration required, open to anyone in the community.

When: Tuesdays, Oct 7-Dec.2 Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Fee: No cost
Instructor: Settle Ease Canada
Location: Computer Lab



#### **CRIB**

If you enjoy playing crib join in on the fun every week. Newcomers are welcome.

When: Thursdays
Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Fee: LSCO membership

Drop In Fee \$2 Location: Card Area

NOTE: LSCO Members are welcome to play cards and other board games throughout the day provided tables are available. Players must provide their own cards, game boards, etc. Gather some friends and see you soon!

#### **DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

If you love to take photos and have a desire to improve your picture taking skills register at the Administration Desk. You do not have to be an expert as the group members vary in levels and interests. Some like to photograph landscapes; others photograph food, birds and many other objects. Some participants in this group have more experience take photos and others are not as advanced. At times we take trips outside of LSCO.

If you would like more information, leave your name and phone number with Andrea and we will contact you.

#### **GENEALOGY**

Weekly, members spend time researching their family history. LSCO provides a desktop computer for use however, it is recommended that you bring along your laptop if you have one. Members range from beginners to those with 5+ plus years of experience with the club. Group members share their genealogy expertise with each other, sharing tips on accessing web sites containing document sources such as immigration/passenger lists, birth, marriage and death records, etc. Please purchase an LSCO Membership at the Administration Desk before registering for this group. \*Note: the group does not meet in the summer

When: Wednesdays September Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fee: \$21/year & LSCO Membership

Location: Board Room

#### **KARAOKE**

If you love to sing and enjoy socializing join the LSCO Karaoke singers Tuesday afternoons. It would be appreciated if you brought your own microphone. Non-members of LSCO are welcome to come for \$2 drop in per week.

When Tuesdays Time: 1:00 – 3:30 pm

Fee: \$30/year & LSCO Membership;

Drop In Fee: \$2

Location: Board Room

#### **KNITTING, CROCHET & MORE**

Whether you knit, crochet, or do other needlework consider joining us weekly. We work on projects socialize, laugh, share ideas and enjoy a coffee. If you have supplies bring them, if not we do have some to loan. Those learning are very welcome. Held in the Dining Room/Atrium.

When: Thursdays Time: 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Fee: \$11/year & LSCO Membership Location: Dining Room (by big tree)

#### **LAPIDARY (STONECRAFTERS)**

Are you interested in making jewelry or other pieces of art that uses rocks and fine gems? If the answer is yes, our experienced stonecrafters will help you safely learn how to use the machines and complete your projects. Please leave your name and phone number so arrangements can be made. For safety, it is important that 2 people are in the room at all times. Supply costs extra.

When: Wednesdays Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fee: \$36/year & LSCO Membership

Location: Lapidary Room

#### **PAPER TOLE & CREATIVE ARTS**

If you are familiar with the art of paper tole and would like to work on your projects while socializing, come talk to us. Supply costs extra. Painters, knitters and other crafters are welcome to join us to work on their projects too.

When: Fridays

Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fee: \$23/year & LSCO Membership

Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### **QUILTING**

If you have basic quilting skills consider joining this group. They socialize, help and share ideas with each other to complete their own projects. They also create items for donations and raffles. Must bring own supplies. Please sign up at the Administration Desk.

When: Tuesdays Time: 12:00 – 3:00 pm Fee: LSCO membership

Location: Stage

#### **WATERCOLOR**

Do you enjoy painting with watercolors? Join our self-led watercolor group to work on your projects, share techniques, and enjoy a creative and social atmosphere. Bring your own supplies and paint at your own pace while connecting with fellow artists. All skill levels are welcome!

When: Wednesdays Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Fee: \$52/year & LSCO membership

Location: Arts & Crafts Room

#### **WOOD WORKING/ CARPENTRY**

The LSCO Woodshop will continue to be closed for construction until mid-October (final date TBD). Westco is leading the renovation work alongside Derochie Painting Ltd, Big Steel Box, and support from the Kitchen Centre. Thank you to these companies who are generously donating their time and services to update our woodshop!

We appreciate your patience as these improvements are made to create a better space for all woodshop users.

#### **Attention LSCO Groups**

Please participate in our open house on September 20th!

We are asking that you show up and spend time with your group in the room that you would normally meet in and be prepared to answer questions about your group.

If you plan on attending, this counts as volunteer hours so please sign up with Madison at volunteer@lethseniors.com LSCO TIMES Page 17 • September 2025

# Hello from the University of Lethbridge Nursing Students!

We're excited to be joining the LSCO community for our Community Health rotation. From September 18 to December 5, you'll see us around LSCO on most Thursdays and Fridays. We will be hanging out in the Atrium, but as part of our learning experience, we'll be taking part in various activities and programs as well. We're looking forward to getting to know everyone and becoming involved in the vibrant LSCO community!

We'll be wearing name tags so you can easily recognize us—please feel free to stop and say hello anytime!





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When: Thursday, Sept. 25 - Dec.18
Time: 10:15 am - 11:15 am
Fee: \$91 LSCO M; \$ 117 NM
Register by: Monday, September 22

Instructor: Adrian Tomei Location: Stage Area

#### TAI CHI PRACTICE GROUP

Advanced Tai Chi practitioners are encouraged to join these sessions. This is not a formal structured class.

When: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

Time: 8:15 – 9:15 am

Fee: \$20/year & LSCO Membership

Drop In Fee \$2 Location: Stage Area

## TAI CHI 108 YANG STYLE FORM PRACTICE

Note: this is not a lesson. It is a practice for individuals with some experience in the 108 Yang Style Form.

When: Wednesdays, Sept.10 - Dec.10

Time: 10:15 – 11:15 am

Fee: \$30 LSCO Members; \$50 NM

Location: Gym 2

#### **SPRING FOREST QIGONG**

Qigong is founded in the belief that everyone of us was born with the natural ability to heal; activating the Qi in our body is the first step to awaken the innate gift that we are all born with. You will acquire the knowledge, techniques, support, and assistance to help you do just that.

Session 1:

When: Tuesday, Sept. 9 - Oct. 28
Time: 10:00 am - 11:15 am
Fee: \$56 LSCO M; \$ 63 NM
Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM

Instructor: Roxy Wright Location: Stage Area

Session 2:

When: Tuesday, Nov.4 - Dec. 16 Time: 10:00 am - 11:15 am Fee: 48 LSCO M; \$ 54 NM Register by: Thursday, October 30

Instructor: Roxy Wright Location: Stage Area

#### **Sports**

#### **BADMINTON**

Everyone of all skill levels are welcome to play badminton. Thursdays are a great day to come if you would like to work on your skills. Arrive no earlier than 10 minutes prior to start time. For Badminton Etiquette/Protocols see the Bulletin Board outside Gym 2 and on our website.

When: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

Time: 11:15 am – 12:45 pm

When: Thursdays
Time: 10:15 – 12:15 pm
Fee: \$68 & LSCO membership

#### **TABLE TENNIS**

A great active game for hand-eye coordination and individuals of all skill levels. Let us know if you need instruction and arrangements will be made. Bring your own paddle. Held in Room C/D.

When: Mondays, Wednesdays

Time: 2:30 – 4:00 pm

When Fridays

Time: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Fee: \$44/year & LSCO Membership

#### **PICKLEBALL**

Applications for the Fall Pickleball season **is now Closed.** 

**NOTE:** Completing an application does not guarantee registration into the LSCO Pickleball program.

Those that applied for the Fall season will be notified during the first week of September 2025 as to whether or not you may register for the Fall pickleball session.

If you have any questions contact Andrea Clarke at programs@lethseniors.com. or ext. 303.

Tutorials on Pickle Planner can be found at pickleplanner.com/videos





### **PARKING LOT NOTICE**

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#### Cash Flow

- Earn additional income
  - Manage expenses



- Consolidate Debt
- Strive to eliminate debt

#### **Emergency Fund**

- Save at least 3-6 months' income
- Prepare for unexpected expenses

#### **Proper Protection**

- Protect against loss of income
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Hi! My name is Dana-Lynn Humphrey and I've been with World Financial Group for 19 years. With WFG's incredible platform behind me, I am thrilled to help you take charge of your financial journey with confidence, enthusiasm and most likely a cup of coffee, walking you through the 6 steps towards financial independence. And probably a few of those diner scones too from Georgie too...

#### Let's Get Acquainted

Picture this: A friendly face, (I think? ... That's me!) who believes financial planning doesn't have to be intimidating, dull or complicated. With years of experience helping people just like you, I've built my career on making complex money matters simple, engaging, and yes, even a little fun. My mission? To empower people with their money. Why? Because our financial lives can't get better if the information is too overwhelming or complicated to act on. Everyone has an opinion; your adult children are saying one thing and Google is saying a thousand - that's where I come in.

It's been a privilege to be a licensed professional with World Financial Group. I started in May of 2006 and have never looked back. I've opened offices, I've trained and mentored countless agents, and I've been honoured to work with families all over Canada. I too have had bankers and investment advisors in my earlier years. I opened my first RRSP with my local bank the moment I turned 19. And that was great! Unfortunately, I left each institution with a false sense of security and confidence. Why? Because no one else around me was saving, and I was doing more than my peers or family, so I must be on track, right? Wrong! Looking back, I was so lucky to be referred to WFG. They didn't tell me this per se, but this is what I heard: I was going to be poor if I kept doing what I was doing. I needed to level up, immediately! I was only 26 at the time, and yet my WFG gal, Pauline was incredible. She was just what I needed at that time. She was a wise-cracking, Irish woman in her 60's with a nonprofit background like me, and I felt like I could trust her with me. She was kind, informative and helped me understand the impact of my financial decisions. From there on, I was smitten and dreamed of the impact I too could make. So, I became a client and changed careers, relocated, and opened my first office. And so, the journey began!

#### Why Come to Me?

I've got experience, and longevity you can count on. I'm not going anywhere. The truth is the financial access and education WFG has given me, has completely changed my family's fortune.

I'll share a quick story: My father worked his job for 30 years believing that he'd have a company pension. To everyone's dismay, at the age of 55 and only 6 months after I got started, him and all his colleagues received a letter that essentially said, "Sorry, there's no pension after all."

He was scared, but fortunately, my father is frugal, and now I was licensed in a new industry. Incredibly, we were able to create and build a retirement strategy for my dad, in just 10 years. A set of assets sizable enough, that allowed him to randomly call me and ask: "I'm taking Nancy on an Australian cruise this year. We'll be gone for a month. Can you get the funds ready?" To this day, he feels he has more than enough to live the way he wants to.

What Exactly Can I Do for You?

Let's start with 6 simple steps. Are you asking the right questions and making the right moves for you? Whether you're looking forward to retirement, dreaming of a vacation home, helping grandkids with education, or simply wanting to be rid of the debt once and for all, I'll walk you through the following steps and show you how to apply them in your own situation.



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#### 6 Steps to Financial Freedom

1.Manage Cashflow:

- Earn additional income
- Manage expenses

#### 2.Debt Management:

- Consolidate debts
- Strive to eliminate debts

#### 3. Emergency Funds

- Save at least 3-6 months of income
- Prepare for unexpected expenses.

#### 4. Proper Protection:

- Protect against loss of income
- Protect family assets

#### 5.Build Wealth:

Outpace inflation and reduce taxes

#### 6. Preserve Wealth:

- Reduce taxation
- Build a family legacy

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#### Yoga

#### **CHAIR YOGA**

Perform yoga poses and breathing exercises with the aid of a chair. This gentle class may help you increase strength, flexibility, range of motion for joints, and stress reduction. Chair yoga is suitable for all fitness levels and conditions.

Session 1:

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 10 - Oct. 29

Time: 10:00 - 10:45 am \$40 LSCO M: \$56 NM Fee: Drop in: \$6 LSCO M; \$8 NM Corrine Myers Instructor: Location: Stage Area

Session 2:

When: Wednesdays, Nov. 5 - Dec. 17

Time: 10:00 - 10:45 am \$35 LSCO M: \$49 NM Fee: Register by: Monday, November 3 Instructor: Corrine Myers Location: Stage Area

#### **GENTLE YOGA**

Gentle yoga classes are a great place to take it slower and experience the benefits of yoga. If you are new to yoga or haven't practiced yoga for a while this may be the class for you. Wear comfortable clothing; bring a mat, blanket and water bottle. Plan on practicing barefoot or wear nonslip socks.

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 2 - Dec. 16

(No class Sept. 30 & Nov. 11)

10:00am - 11:00am Time: \$98 LSCO M; \$126 NM Fee: Instructor: Donna Tiefenbach All purpose Room Location:

#### **YOGA NIDRA**

Yoga Nidra is a method that is intended to induce full body relaxation, bringing about an incredible calmness, quietness, and clarity to the physical body and mind. It is also known as "yogic sleep". It is a deep meditation that uses a variety of techniques including guided imagery and body scanning to aid relaxation. Participants can expect to leave the practice feeling restored and rejuvenated. Please bring a yoga mat and any blankets or cushions you might need to feel comfortable.

**Fridays** 

Fridays, Sept. 12- Oct. 31 When: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Time: \$56 LSCO M; \$72 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Corrine Myers Location: Room A/B

Session 2

When: Fridays, Nov. 7 - Dec.19 Time: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Corrine Myers Room A/B Location:

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> > lift someone up

#### YOGA FOR SENIORS

You're never too old to reap the rewards of yoga. For seniors who are looking for a safe, effective way to enhance their physical health and overall wellness, the stretching, breathing, and meditation practices of yoga can be a great solution. In fact, as you will see, doing yoga regularly can result in a host of benefits for older adults, from greater flexibility and improved balance to lower stress and better sleep. Wear comfortable clothing (layer up as some rooms vary in temperature), bring a yoga mat, water bottle and maybe even a blanket.

#### **All Sessions**

Instructor: Corrine Myers Room A/B Location:

Session 1 - Mondays

When: Mondays, Sept. 8 - Oct. 27

Time: 1:00 - 2:00pm Fee: \$42 LSCO M; \$54 NM Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM

**Session 2- Mondays** 

When: Mondays, Nov. 3 - Dec. 15

Time: 1:00 - 2:00pm Fee: \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM Register by: Wednesday, October 29

Session 1: - Fridays

When: Fridays, Sept.12 - Oct.31 Time: 10:15 am - 11:15 am Fee: \$56 LSCO M; \$72 NM Drop in: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM

Session 2 - Fridays

When: Fridays, Nov. 7 - Dec.19 10:15 am - 11:15 am Time: \$49 LSCO M; \$63 NM Fee: Register by: Wednesday, November 5

#### **TUESDAY EVENING FLOW YOGA**

If you are interested in ending your day releasing tension, and moving through a series of postures to help you enhance flexibility and build strength, you really should register for this class. Intended for all skill levels as modifications are offered. Bring a yoga mat & water bottle. Props are available however, if you have your own feel free to bring them. This class is not included in the **Ultimate Fitness Membership.** 

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 9 - Dec. 15

(No class Sept. 30 & Nov. 11)

5:00 - 6:00 pm Time:

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Location: Room A/B

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#### Session 1:

When: Mondays, Sept. 15 - Oct. 6

Time: 8:30 - 9:30 am \$32 LSCO M; \$ 40 NM Fee: \$8 LSCO M; \$10 NM Drop in: Instructor: Elaine Jagielski Room A/B Location:

Session 2:

When: Mondays, Oct. 20 - Nov. 10

8:30 - 9:30 am Time: Fee: \$32 LSCO M; \$ 40 NM Register by: Wednesday, October 15

Elaine Jagielski Instructor: Room A/B Location:

Session 3:

When: Mondays, Nov. 17 - Dec. 8

8:30 - 9:30 am Time:

Fee: \$32 LSCO M; \$ 40 NM: Register by: Wednesday, November 12

Instructor: Elaine Jagielski Room A/B Location:

#### **YOGA REFRESH**

Get ready for a happy body and a vibrant spirit! Join Adrian for a rejuvenating class full of interesting movement and playful exploration. This gentle yet exciting class will offer a great blend of nourishment, challenge, and creativity. Yoga practitioners of all skill levels will find themselves at home here.

When: Fridays, Sept.26- Dec.19 Time: 9:00 - 10:00 am Fee: \$91 LSCO M; \$117 NM Register by: Wednesday, September 10

Instructor: Adrian Tomei Location: All Purpose Room

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#### Computer Corner By Sjoerd Schaafsma

#### Another Scam Alert

Welcome to another scam alert. This one hit a few people on several email lists that I'm on, so I was concerned that I

might have been the source. The person whose name was used phoned me, she is real, but the return address is not hers. At least one of the people to receive this is not on any of my lists, so the source may remain a mystery. It's the Amazon gift card scam which I covered in the computer club corner a year ago. Here is a brief description.

A person pretending to be someone you know asks you to buy an Amazon gift card for them because for whatever reason they can't do it themselves. They say they'll pay you back, BUT OF COURSE IT'S NOT WHO YOU THINK IT IS. DON'T FALL FOR IT!

The original article from July 2024, can be read in the LSCO Times online files. <a href="https://lethseniors.com/lscotimes">https://lethseniors.com/lscotimes</a>

The Amazon Customer Service Page goes into more detail on various types of Amazon scams and how to protect yourself. Or search for "the Amazon gift card scam" which should bring you to the Amazon customer service page.

#### Reflections

Compared to the amount of research and digging that went into the 50th anniversary LSCO Timeline (check it out it's in the lobby) finding a digital copy of my own article was an easy search. It helps when the articles are all indexed by year month and topic.

I've learned a lot since I started writing the Computer Corner in 2013. What started as a simple request from lone Dergousoff president of the computer club, to take over from the previous authors of the column has lead me to chairing the computer club. The short early articles have sometimes turned into a full page, the subjects ranging from easy and useful for many, to more detailed niche topics, and of course my ramblings.

The LSCO computer club was formed in February 1990. Under the New Horizon's program, 4 computers, chairs, desks, and related supplies were obtained at a cost of 16,000 dollars. There were originally 32 members who each paid a \$5.00 yearly member's fee. Computer courses ran each morning from 9 - 11 am Tuesday through Friday incorporating up to eight students.

Early computer club memberships were in the hundreds, the past few years the member ship has floated between 50 and 60. The club used to meet 4 days a week; we went down to two days and now the club meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1 - 3pm. There were reams of paper being printed on the lab printers, with detailed lesson plans. John Pinto used to teach lessons daily. At one time both the

photography club and advanced digital photography club were parts of the computer club. Printer maintenance and computer software updates were regular monthly events.

The club currently has 20 computers, mostly running Windows 10, and a couple of Macs. A single networked color laser printer has taken the place of a dozen inkjets. We expect to have some Linux computers and Windows 11 PCs running soon. The club has a website with useful links and a listing of club events.

Currently the club tries to present workshops twice a month. Here's a list of what we have planned for the rest of 2025.

#### Fall Workshops

September, 10, 24: **Computer basics** presented by club members.

Oct. 15: Connecting your Devices to each other, from smart phones to speakers to TVs - Presented by London Drugs

Oct. 22: **Memoirs, photo organization, digitizing films, videos** – Presented by Mitch Hall – Shoebox Scanning

Nov. 5: **Voice to Text** - why type when you can talk to your computer or phone

Nov. 19, Gadgets – you don't know what you're missing until you see that someone has just the right thing - the yearly sharing session

December 3: Word processing – Notepad, Ms Word, LibreOffice Writer, Google Docs

Dec. 17, Video editing - tentatively

On Days with no scheduled event, the club has help and sharing sessions.

If you'd like to see more presentations, have an idea to share or would like to help maintain the club web page, send me an email or drop into the lab during one of our regular sharing and help days. The only thing stopping us from doing more presentations is available presenters.

# Monthly Hint: To start a new Google Doc

Type doc.new in the *address bar* of a Chrome browser window

Address bar: The field where you type the URL of a website

#### \*CYBER SMART SENIORS\*

This initiative was created to bridge the digital divide and reduce social isolation amongolder adults by equipping them with essential technology skills. Participants will learn how to use smartphones and tablets, access online services, communicate through messaging apps, protect themselves from scams, and explore online banking tools all in a safe and supportive environment. Registration required, open to anyone in the community.

When: Tuesdays, Oct 7-Dec.2 Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Fee: Free

Instructor: Settle Ease Canada Location: Computer Lab

# Computer Club **Events**

The LSCO Computer Club has access to the computer lab on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1 – 4:00 pm. This time may be pre-empted for other events.

#### **September**

Movie Day in the Lab on the first Monday of the month - not confirmed yet. THIS IS OPEN TO ALL LSCO MEMBERS!! Seating is limited to 25. Email computerclub@lethseniors.com if you are interested. If we don't get at least 5 replies there won't be a movie day.

Help sessions will still be available by request if there is a member available to help. Kevin is planning to be in the lab.

Sharing & Help Sessions

Sept. 3, 5, 8, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 26, 29

Computer Basics Part 1 Monday, September 10

Computer Basics Part 2 Monday, September 24

More Details and links are available on the LSCO Computer Club Websitehttps://sites.google.com/view/lscocomputerclub

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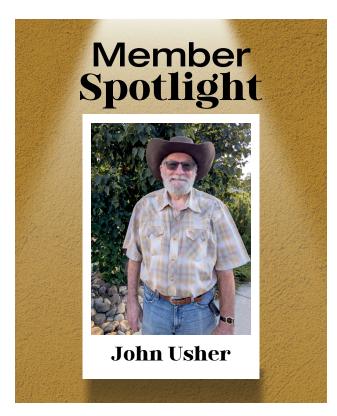
added to the email list or to ask for help from the computer club. Membership is not required to be added to the mail list.



The Computer Corner and LSCO Times can be read online at: <a href="https://www.lethseniors.com/lscotimes">www.lethseniors.com/lscotimes</a>



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John is currently the President of the LSCO Board. He has come to us from a diverse background in education, work experience, and community volunteerism.

John was born in Grimsby, Lincolnshire, England. His father came to Oshawa, Canada to pave the way for the family's move. John was nine months old when he arrived later with his mother and older brother

John's father served as a Staff Sargeant with the British Armed Forces during the War, and following the war, quickly gained employment at General Motors (GM) in a security role within the area of "Plant Protection." After obtaining a diploma in drafting through correspondence-school, he later became a supervisor of university-educated engineers. Subsequently, he wanted his own sons to become credentialed in advanced education.

Growing up in Oshawa, John had a lot of freedom and recalls summers spent outdoors, swimming in Lake Ontario, fishing, and generally loving being in nature. In high school, he played football and was a long-distance runner whose specialty was the two-mile open.

After high school, John attended the General Motors Institute in Flint, Michigan, which housed a five-year program that alternated between academic intervals and on-the-the-job training stints at GM in Oshawa. The final months of his Bachelor of Industrial

Administration Degree required him to write a thesis on employee retention and turnover, which won him an award. After graduating in 1976 and until the mid-80s, John performed a variety of positions at GM from Labour & Personnel Relations, Production Management, Quality Assurance, and Strategic Management. His older brother, who still lives in Oshawa, had a full career with GM, eventually designing robots before he retired.

GM sponsored John's Master's in Business Administration at the University of Toronto in 1979. He then completed his PhD at the U. of T. in 1988 and defended his degree in 1990. By then, he and his wife & children had moved to Edmonton because the University of Alberta had offered him a position. John was there until 1994.

John then moved on to Memorial University in St. John's Newfoundland, where he taught in the Baccalaureate and Masters Degree programs and served as Associate Dean.

In 2002, the Business School at the University of Lethbridge recruited him to the position of Dean. Over time, he became active with the Prentice Institute for Global Population & Economy. One of his most memorable teaching sessions abroad was during 2009-2010 when he gave a PhD seminar at the University of Lugano in Ticino, Switzerland. John also joined the Executive of the University of Lethbridge Faculty Association, on which he served once as Chief Negotiator and three times as President. John's academic background and employment history should serve him well as he presides over the LSCO Board and Organization.

As for key volunteer roles, John served as President of the Lethbridge Food Bank and as Board President of Friends of the Helen Schuler Coulee Nature Centre. He was willingly brought to the LSCO Board by Keith Sumner and Rob Miyashiro; so far, he is enjoying his new volunteer role here and feels he is growing in it.

Now for some "fun facts": at LSCO, John has taken Tai Chi and tried billiards. He says he's not keen on TV sports but does enjoy golfing – and entering groovy LSCO fashion shows when the opportunity arises (sneak a photo of John in the LSCO's fashion show on pg. 12)

John says he is passionate mostly about nature and politics, and that he is most proud of his "wife and kids." He has one son, along with four grandchildren in Florida; one daughter in Edmonton; and one stepson in Calgary.

John and his wife Wendy got together about ten years ago. They both retired from the U. of L. in 2021. Between them, they have eleven grandchildren, three of whom reside in Lethbridge. John and Wendy rescued two sibling kittens from The Last Chance Cat Ranch a year ago and enjoy the shenanigans of Luke & Leia on a daily basis. As "foodies", they make great use of their herb garden, and they're presently busy with home renovations.

John's favourite comfort food is Key lime pie from Browns Socialhouse, along with Wendy's baking- e.g. choux pastry, pot pies, and bread- and her Indian cuisine.

John and Wendy enjoy music with John's favourites including folkies David Francy, Gillian Welch, and everything from "Playing for Change." He also enjoys live local music: at LSCO's Twilight Soiree (he's a Hippodrome fan), at LSCO's 50th Anniversary, and on various occasions at The Owl Acoustic Lounge and The Empress Theatre in Fort Macleod. Indeed, his favourite piece of advice is musical: "Don't Worry...Be Happy!"

If John had an autobiography, it would be titled An Entertaining, Instructive, Occasionally Challenging, but Mostly Fun Life.

John was getting ready for Whoop Up Days as of this writing by purchasing a cowboy hat & a western shirt which you can see in his photo above. No doubt he will be serving up pancakes to other members and friends of LSCO. Welcome to the LSCO, John!







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#### **Truth and** Reconciliation **Efforts Gain Momentum Across Canada**

Efforts to advance truth and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities continue to grow nationwide, with new initiatives emerging in education, government policy, and cultural preservation. Marking nearly a decade since the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report, Indigenous leaders and advocates say progress has been made but the journey toward justice and healing is far from complete.

Recent developments include several provinces introducing mandatory Indigenous history curriculum in schools, aimed at educating young Canadians on the impacts of residential schools and colonization.

On September 30, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, communities across the country held marches, vigils, and cultural events to honour survivors and the children who never returned home from residential schools. Survivors shared powerful testimonies, reminding Canadians that truth-telling

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is a critical step toward rebuilding trust. The day also served as a call to action for individuals, urging them to move beyond symbolic gestures and commit to tangible change.

Advocates stress that reconciliation must be an ongoing process, not a one-time event. While there is no single path to reconciliation, many agree that listening, learning, and acting on the truths shared by Indigenous peoples remain essential steps toward a more equitable future.

September 23 marks the official start of Reconciliation Week in Lethbridge. To see the full list of events and activities for Reconciliation week here in Lethbridge please head to the Reconciliation Lethbridge Facebook page.

We encourage you to wear an orange shirt to the LSCO on September 29th.

