

MONTHLY NEWS



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MARCH 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 16 - St. Patrick's Day Dance 7:00 PM

March 20 - Dad's Club with Toy Bus

April 10 - Monthly Meeting 7:00 PM

April 10 - Rankin Jam - 6:30 PM

April 19 - NHL Playoff Draft - 7:00 PM

May 8 - Annual General Meeting & Election 7:00 PM

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Our meetings continue monthly and you are welcome to attend! In 2024 we will be meeting on the second Wednesday of every month. Our next Rankin Centre members meeting is on Wednesday April 10, 2024 at 7:00pm. Next will be our annual election meeting on May 8th. We encourage people to come forward and let their names stand for a position on the executive. Joining an executive board gives you the opportunity to become a community leader! You will have the chance to accomplish many tasks while developing your leadership skills. You will become a part of something that contributes and adds value to the community while putting yourself out there to grow personally and professionally. If this sounds like the right fit for you, please contact any member of our current executive board listed above. Putting yourself out there gives you a chance to find a place where you belong!

BARTENDERS NEEDED

Anyone who would like to volunteer as a bartender, submit their updated Smart Serve certificate, or wants to ask any questions about volunteer bartending at Rankin is asked to contact Brittanie at 613-312-9552. This is a great way to meet members of the community and get all the good feelings of volunteering while meeting new people from our community and making an extra bit of money as well!

TOY BUS - A MUST STOP FOR LITTLES

This is a drop-in program that runs on Friday mornings from 10:00-11:30. This is a chance for caregivers with children ages 0-6 to come and take part in programs and activities together, while interacting with other caregivers and children.

Dad's club returning the evening of March 20!

MEMBERSHIPS

You can still purchase your 2024 membership from our Membership Secretary, Cathy Grahl, 613-735-3381. Family memberships are \$20.00 and single memberships (18 and over) are \$10.00. Members enjoy perks such as free admission to many centre events, a 20% discounts on rentals*, and a vote at all centre meetings and elections. 2024 memberships are available now!!! You must have an active membership to vote at our upcoming election.

WINTER SEASON IS OVER

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to maintain the ice and work in the booth for the winter season. While it was short, it definitely was sweet for all who were able to come and enjoy our outdoor rink! This wouldn't have been possible without all the hard work and dedication of our volunteers!

SPRING ACTIVITIES

Rankin Community we want to hear from you! Spring is here, and we would love to run some programming inside and out! We do need members to come forward to make this happen! We do have a large field for activities so if you would like to organize some clubs/ lessons/ events, or have something you would like to run inside for our community members, please email us at rankincentre@rankincentre.ca and someone from our executive will get back to you!

MUSIC LOVERS - COME AND JAM!

The Rankin Jam is growing in popularity in 2024 and you won't want to miss a single one! This is an event open to music players, singers, listeners, and lovers! It is a chance to come out and play your instruments, dance, sing, and have a great time while live performers lead the way! The bar is open for Jam nights with all proceeds going to the Rankin Centre. Hope to see you there March 13. Doors open at 6:30PM, \$3 entry fee. Will also be taking place April 10 so don't forget to mark your calendar!

BINGO

We require two Bingo workers for March 31st from 3:30 -5:30. If you are available please contact Josh at 613 585 6770. Our Bingo Fundraiser is a consistent stream of revenue for the centre. It helps keep us going!! If you are available to casually volunteer we would love to hear from you!!!

SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the Rankin Scholarship are live on our website. There have been some exciting updates this year. Applications are due May 1st. You can find the information and applications online at rankincentre.ca.

HOCKEY POOL - PLAYOFF

As the regular season winds down it's time to start thinking about your picks for the Rankin NHL Hockey Playoff Pool. The draft will take place at 7PM on April 19th. Winners of the regular season pool will be announced, prizes will be awarded, and the fun will start again! Bragging rights are on the line :) Cash bar will be open. \$20 entry fee for the draft!

TRIVIA EVENT AT RANKIN

Save the date for Rankin's next big Trivia night May 25th, hosted by the St. Thomas in Rankin Anglican Church!! Contact Bonnie Dumochel for more details at 613 735 5529.

YARD SALE

The Rankin Centre will be holding its annual yard sale on Saturday, May 11th, 2024 from 7:00am - 1pm. If you would like to donate items (must be clean and in working condition) we would be happy to accept them at the Centre on Wednesday, May 8th, Thursday, May 9th and Friday, May 10th from 9:00am to 3:00pm and 6:00pm - 8:00pm. We are also looking for volunteers for the set up as well as the day of the sale. If you can lend a hand we would appreciate it. For more information call Muriel 613-735-0224. If you have plants or bulbs, we will take those as well.

2024 WINTER CARNIVAL

We would like to thank all of our amazing volunteers and generous donors for helping make the Winter Carnival a success for our community. Thank you to all who came to have fun here in Rankin at our carnival! Congratulations to all of our winners over the weekend! A full list of winners will be published on our social media pages (Facebook and Instagram!)

Thank you to the Carnival Committee for your hard work and tireless efforts, the community is a better place because of people like you!

LADIES NIGHT

Thank you to all who attended the Ladies Night and made it such a great success! A special thank you to Miranda Schroeder and her volunteers for bringing such an awesome event to our community - we cannot wait to see you out again next year!

NEWSLETTER MOVING ONLINE

The Rankin Newsletter will be continuing in an online format starting next month. We would like to thank all the volunteers who have given their time and efforts delivering our newsletter throughout the years. Moving forward, you can find our newsletter through Instagram and Facebook, as well as on our website rankincentre.ca. Paper copies will be available for pick up at the centre.

SYMPATHIES

We extend sympathy to the family of, Albert "Abbie" Henry who passed peacefully at the Pembroke Hoospital in his 93rd year on January 13, 2024 Albert "Abbie" Wilkie, beloved husband of the late Anna (Olmstead) and special friend of Margaret Sell. Beloved father of Dianne (Allen Coulas), Orville (Barb Alles) and Glenn. Loving grandpa to Ian (Carrie), Amy, Natasha and Brandon (Ashley Brown). Great grandpa to Ashtyn, Madison, Aubrey, Cooper and Maxine. Dear brother of Manetta Hogan, Florence Schruder, Evon Leech and brother in law Wesley Stuber. Rest in peace Abbie.