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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Merry Christmas!

Newsletter for New Norway and Surrounding Communities

December 2023

Meet the Team at Elevate

It is time to introduce the team! These are the faces behind the day to day operations at Elevate!

Jamie Juneau - Pre-K Teacher

Jamie is a busy mom of two young boys that are in NNS and the Little Explorers Pre-K program. Jamie has a passion for Early Childhood Education and introducing learning through play and we are so blessed to have her on the team!

Melva Baker - Program Manager

Melva wears many hats within Elevate, ranging from grant writing, program planning and execution, teacher's aid in our Pre-K, and BVJ and CRE fundraising coordinator. Melva brings a wealth of energy to our team; we love her ideas and appreciate her passion for youth, community and Early Childhood Education.



Danette Osborne - Finance Manager

Danette has 15+ years of experience working within accounting and payroll and has recently joined our team as our treasurer and Finance Manager. Danette is a New Norway alumni and has recently moved back to New Norway to be closer to family and friends. As we have promised the community that we will be transparent with our finances, we appreciate that we have Danette on our team to keep everything in order.

Denver & Stephanie Wedgwood - Founders

Denver and Stephanie have four boys who attend NNS and play hockey in Camrose. Denver and Stephanie own and operate The RTOC Group, an O&G Drilling Optimization company, and recently founded Elevate Community Foundation. Stephanie has always had a passion for volunteering with non-profits, mental health, Early Childhood Education and youth programs. Denver has spent many years coaching hockey in the community and loves to spend his time with youth on the ice or golf course!

Raffle Fundraiser

You will be seeing your favorite NNS basketball players and our Pre-K group selling raffle tickets in the next few weeks!

1st Prize - Smoker and Accessories

2nd Prize - \$500 Bashaw Meats Box

3rd Prize - \$500 GC from local grocery stores and restaurants

Tickets are \$20 each. Contact us if you want to support or want more info!

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New Norway Christmas Market

Make sure to head down to the First Annual New Norway Christmas Market being held at the New Norway Hall on December 10th from 10-3 pm. Over 30 vendors, a kids only zone, silent auction, glitter tattoos, photos with Santa and more!

All proceeds go to the Little Explorers Pre-K!

Do you know of a family in need that Elevate can help over the Christmas season? If you are a family who needs a little extra help - please reach out!
stephanie@elevatecommunityfoundation.com

Weekly Events



MOM & TOTS
MONDAY 9-11 AM DECEMBER 4TH & 18TH
HOSTED BY : NEW NORWAY COMMUNITY HALL

LITTLE EXPLORERS PRE-K MON/WED MORNINGS
REGISTRATION OPEN FOR JAN-MARCH @
WWW.ELEVATECOMMUNITYFOUNDATION.COM
HOSTED BY: ELEVATE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
LOCATION: ELEVATE CENTER (FIREHALL)

After School Programs

MONDAY
MINI-SPIKERS & SMASHBALL GR 1-6 AT
3:15-4:30PM - LAST DAY DEC 6TH.
HOSTED BY: ELEVATE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
(REGISTRATION FULL)
LOCATION: NN SCHOOL GYM

WEDNESDAY
HOMEWORK & BOARDGAMES
3:15- 5:00 PM - LAST DAY DEC 13TH.
HOSTED BY: ELEVATE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
LOCATION: NN COMMUNITY HALL

THURSDAY
DRAWING WITH JAY
REGISTRATION OPEN - GRADES 6-12
3:15-4:30 PM - LAST DAY DEC 14TH.
HOSTED BY: ELEVATE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
AND OPEN DOOR
LOCATION: NN COMMUNITY HALL

BEGINNING IN JANUARY, DROP IN AFTER SCHOOL CARE FOR GRADES 1-12 WILL BE AVAILABLE MON -THURS FROM 3:15-5:00 PM. BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL, CRAFTS, GAMES ETC. THIS WILL RUN IN ADDITION TO OUR SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS.

Do you have information you would like included in the monthly newsletter?

Please contact
stephanie@elevatecommunityfoundation.com





Who Are We? What Are We Doing?

If you have ever wondered “Who is Elevate?” “What are they doing?” or “Why is there a need for them?” you are not the only one! When Elevate first began, it was to fill a need in the community at the school; large fundraisers are out-of-scope for our School Council, so Stephanie created Elevate with the mission to host community fundraising events that would benefit LOCAL causes and bring the community together after a long and isolating COVID period. Since then, the community has requested that Elevate assist with gaps in the community that are not in the scope of the other groups in town. To date, we have addressed the following areas:

Early Childhood Education/Intervention
Athletic Funding & Programming Through the Fall and Winter
Academic/Tutoring
Art/Drawing Programs
Community Events
Fundraising for Various Groups
Seniors Initiatives (Coming in January)
Drop in Recreational Programming for Adults (Coming in January)
Utilization of Underutilized Community Buildings
Mental Health Resources (Coming in January)
Daycare (Coming in 2024)
Afterschool Care

How Can We Help?

This leads us to the big question, “How Can We Help?” Elevate is here to help in whatever capacity the community needs. We have incredible resources, ideas for the future and people to execute, BUT we want to know from the community - How can we help?

Please reach out if there is a gap that you see in the community that we could help with! We are always open to new ideas and conversations.



Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 1ST REGISTRATION OPENS
MINI-DUNKERS GR 1-6
@ NEW NORWAY SCHOOL
HOSTED BY:ELEVATE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND
FUNTEAM ALBERTA
WWW.ELEVATECOMMUNITYFOUNDATION.COM FOR
REGISTRATION

DECEMBER 2, 5:30 PM
COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SUPPER
LOCATION: FERINTOSH HI U

DECEMBER 10TH, 10:00-3:00 PM
CHRISTMAS MARKET
PHOTOS WITH SANTA, KIDS ONLY ZONE, FUN FOR THE
FAMILY
PROCEEDS: LITTLE EXPLORERS PRE-K
LOCATION: NN COMMUNITY HALL

DECEMBER 12TH, 7:00 PM
NN RECREATION ASSOCIATION AGM
LOCATION: SILVER CREEK MULTIPLEX
OPEN TO PUBLIC

DECEMBER 13TH, 11:00 AM
ELEVATE PRE-K CHRISTMAS CONCERT
LOCATION: NN COMM HALL - PUBLIC WELCOME

DECEMBER 16TH
CHURCH BANQUET FIRST PERF @ 5:30, SUPPER @6
SECOND PERF @ 7:00
HOSTED BY:HIGHLAND PARK EVANGELICAL FREE
CHURCH. RSVP FOR SUPPER WWW.HPEFC.COM BY DEC
10TH

DECEMBER 18TH, 7:00 PM
AG SOCIETY AGM & ALL BOARDS ANNUAL MEETING (AG,
REC, HALL, CURLING & SCHOOL)
LOCATION: SILVER CREEK MULTIPLEX
OPEN TO PUBLIC



SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

We want to take the time each month to give a HUGE thank you to one or two of our sponsors and give you a chance to get to know those in your community that are pitching in to help get these programs and initiatives off the ground. The Kim Family, owners of Kim’s Small Engines and the New Norway Gas Bar are in the Sponsor Spotlight this month! The Kim’s have given to Elevate every function and also support our after school programming. This is a family that is always willing to pitch in around the community and we are so thankful for them!! Please say a ‘Thank You’ to the Kim’s and the staff at NN Gas Bar next time you see them!

LOOKING TO VOLUNTEER? WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP!

Elevate Community Foundation has been awarded a cleaning contract that is approximately 2 hours of cleaning at the CRE to help raise funds for community initiatives and programs. We are looking for volunteers for the following dates: December 3, 10, & 17th. For more information, please contact Melva. m.baker@elevatecommunityfoundation.com or go to our website to sign up!



DID YOU KNOW?

THE FIREHALL HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED! THE PRE-K CLASS HAS MOVED IN AND IT IS AN INCREDIBLE SPACE FOR OUR LITTLE ONES. THE REC/YOUTH DROP-IN PORTION IS GETTING PAINTED IN THE NEXT 2 WEEKS AND WILL BE OPEN FOR DROP-IN AFTER SCHOOL CARE MON-THURS FROM 3:15-5:00 PM BEGINNING IN JANUARY. ADULT DAILY DROP-IN FOR PICKLEBALL, BASEKTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL WILL ALSO BE ON THE SCHEDULE! ANYTHING SPECIFIC YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE ON THE SCHEDULE? LET US KNOW! STEPHANIE@ELEVATECOMMUNITYFOUNDATION.COM