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Red-nosed carolers: Squamish Elementary students sing Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer at the Chief office on Monday (Dec. 10). The wee carolers strolled around downtown bringing Christmas cheer to businesses.

Regal Eaglewind impresses

One of the highlights at the recent Annual Seniors' Banquet was the illuminated scale model of Solterra's Eaglewind project. Seeing how the new seniors' centre for Squamish will fit as part of the ground floor of the development gave substance to the anticipation for the new centre. Features include: a dedicated dog run, two strategically placed parking lots, two tennis courts, a properly constructed lawn bowling green, two lawn areas, com-

munity gardens with raised beds, lots of trails and walkways, streams and natural plantings.

In the opinion of at least one of the dedicated seniors who continue to oversee the completion of the new seniors' centre, the best features were the incorporation of the natural setting and the quality of the job done by Solterra. The feeling was that if the buildings are to the same standard, Squamish should indeed have a very nice addition to the downtown amenities.

The official dedication of Eaglewind Park will take place on Saturday (Dec. 15) at 11 a.m. Did someone say pony rides for the children? Check the ad in last week's paper for the many additional details.

The Over the Hill Hikers will meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday (Dec. 18) at the end of Brennan Road in Brackendale for a walk along the Brennan Dyke. Contact Heather at 604-898-9003 for more information.

The Healthy Brain Program for Early Dementia will meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday (Dec. 18) in the Mental Health Offices on Second Avenue in downtown Squamish. Contact Donna at 604-892-6400.

Attendees to the monthly gatherings of Squamish Branch 70 of the Squamish Citizens' Association of BC are advised that there is no December luncheon or meeting but that the next one will be held on the third Thursday of January. Contact June at 604-892-1574.

The Tantalus Senior Walkers will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday (Dec. 20) at the Church of Latter Day Saints on Ross Road in Brackendale for a flat walk under the power lines along Power Line Loop. Contact Joyce at 604-898-5594.

The Seniors' Creative Connections will not meet in December; the next meeting will be on the third Thursday of January at the Tantalus Seniors' Centre. Perhaps a New Year's Resolution will be to become more aware of and involved in the issues that relate to seniors in general and to Squamish seniors in particular. Contact Karen at 604-892-2293.

The residents and staff of Hilltop House would like to thank the Whistler Brownies for coming such a long way to entertain with songs and cute handmade crafts. They also thank the Trio Arioso for giving a most wonderful performance of clas-

STILL GOING STRONG



Barbara Rudkin

sical Christmas music on November 30.

The families of residents at Hilltop House are reminded to inform the staff of any holiday plans so that the residents can be made ready for pick up and arrangements made for any medications they may need to take while away from the premises.

At the recent Annual Seniors' Banquet many things were said to remind seniors of the need to have in place interest, projects and a proposed ongoing schedule of events. Presently some things are restricted by the small size of the existing centre but soon adequate use of the new more expansive centre will need to be justified. It is time to start formulating wish lists with ideas too for how best to implement your ideas. Younger seniors should also be thinking of how they could begin to establish roots too.

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