



# Bridging Generations Spring 2008

## Upcoming Events:

**March 19, 2008– Oldtimers Hockey Challenge**

**March 31, 2008– Annual General Meeting/ Volunteer Appreciation (5:30, 12– 250 Willingdon Ave., Burnaby)**

## Important News:

We are excited to announce that our office will be moving in the next few months! We will be located at #203– 2101 Holdom Avenue in Burnaby. It is a new building, accessible by the sky train. We hope that you will come and visit us to see it for yourself.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the **Canadian Western Bank** for their \$500 donation towards our programs.

## Volunteer Grandparents' Seniors Social and Informational Networking Group

We have been busy assembling a core group of seniors to lead our new project which is funded from the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors. We are well underway with choosing topics of interest to explore and brainstorming networking opportunities for our volunteers and seniors in the general public. We will keep you posted on upcoming workshops and presentations. We hope everyone will get involved with this innovative project.

## Program Update:

Last year was filled with amazing success stories and wonderful connections. Our number of program participants has been steadily increasing.

Considerable program exposure was gained by the diverse array of media coverage in 2007. Not only did we have articles published in Good Times Magazine, the Burnaby Now and the North Shore News, but we were also featured on CBC radio, CMFL 107.9 and CTV with Pamela Martin.

Additionally, presentations were made in a number of different public venues to help gain program exposure to enable us to continue to recruit new families and volunteers. We endeavor to continue to gain program exposure in the 2008 calendar year. I look forward to the upcoming journey.

Thank you to all of our wonderful and committed volunteers and families.

## Bingo Representatives Still Needed:

Volunteer Grandparents is very fortunate to be one of the charities affiliated with the Lower Mainland Charities Association (LMCA). The funds received from the Boardwalk Gaming Centre at Highgate Mall in Burnaby helps Volunteer Grandparents provide our programs. We have a responsibility to have a representative present at the Bingo Hall for a four hour shift about once a month. I am still looking for a volunteer to attend the monthly session on behalf of our organization. If you are interested, please contact Veronica Grossi at 604-736-8271.

Let's make 2008 another incredible year!

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