

**November 2014**

## **Hospice Happenings**

Everyone is invited to the Olds & Hospice Society Annual General Meeting on **Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the Olds Evergreen Center**. We will be sharing information on our journey to open the two new suites for hospice palliative care patients!

### **Hats Off:**

We wish to thank the Olds & District Chamber of Commerce for naming O&DHS as the recipient of the 2014 Community Spirit Award for Non-Profit Organizations. We also thank Western Financial Group for sponsoring this award.

Congratulations to board member Kathy Kemmere who was named 2014 Humanitarian of the Year by the Olds Rotary Club. Kathy was recognized for her valuable contribution to improving hospice palliative care in our community and we are so blessed to have her on our team.

Finally, congratulations to the individuals who completed the Palliative Care Volunteer Training session in October. Best wishes in your endeavors and thank you for your passion for hospice palliative care.

### **Projects:**

The Olds & District Hospice Society is pleased to offer an evening of support for those grieving at Christmas. Tinsel 'N Tears provides insight into grief and offers tools for getting through the holiday season. The 2014 session is free of charge and will be held on November 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 - 9 p.m. at the hospice office. Please call 403-994-3364 to register by November 24, 2014.

The Hospice Tree of Remembrance is a brand new project and part of the Olds Fashioned Christmas Light Up in Centennial Park on Saturday, November 29, 2014 at 7 p.m. If you would like to purchase a light in remembrance of a loved one please contact O&DHS at 403-586-9992 or look for the donation boxes located around town. Proceeds from the Tree of Remembrance will toward furnishing and equipping our two hospice suites.

We are slowly but surely raising the funds needed to purchase furniture and equipment which will find a home in the new hospice suites at the soon-to-open Sunrise Encore facility. Thank you to all of you who have already given so generously. We appreciate it so much and we are so humbled by this amazing community.