

Bird Tales Annual Report to March 28th, 2017 AGM

2016 was our second year of the program and we have met with a few obstacles this year. Our first venture at Masterpiece was suspended in the fall as there were concerns regarding the potential for health issues from the bird feeders in the courtyard and also a change of ownership this past month has further delayed it restarting. Paul and I will attempt to do this after the new owners get there recreational routine finalized.

The program at Meadow Ridge has taken off rather well. We do one cottage presentation a month and the other two cottages are covered by the recreational staff at the home.

The Medicine Hat Wood Carving Club has generously supplied us with “comfort birds” for the Meadow Ridge and Masterpiece residents. These are small, smooth carved wooden birds to hold in their hands to decrease anxiety and behavioral issues.

We are not planning on expanding to another facility at this present time as we are hoping to get the one at Masterpiece restarted first and then see what kind of people power we have to go forward. That also goes for the proposed window feeders for other homebound residents in the community.

Our biggest constraint is **volunteers!!**

Respectfully submitted,

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