

Barbara may be new to Pincher Creek, but her devotion to community has been a lifelong love affair.



As a newly minted member of the Oldman River Health Advisory Council (HAC), Barbara Boyer strives to raise awareness and increase visibility among her neighbours of the valuable work being done on their behalf.

“I recently moved to the Pincher Creek area. I’ve always had a strong interest in community involvement,” she says. “Becoming a member of the HAC provided me with an opportunity to increase my involvement in my new community.”

Along with her passion for making a positive difference in her community and family, Barbara has a soft spot for dogs, cooking, travel and reading.

She’s been keeping busy doing her homework and reaching out to her neighbours to learn more about their healthcare concerns and the past accomplishments of the Oldman River HAC.

“I find that many people in my community are not aware of our HAC’s existence — and I wish they could be more aware of the HACs and the value that the Council and its members can bring to our community.

“I think that HACs can help to connect community members with the services available to them — and play a key role in advising Alberta Health Services (AHS) of services that may be required in our community.”

Her volunteer roots run deep, in fact, across her lifetime.

“I was an active volunteer in high school. I remember how I wanted to help people, so I chose nursing as a career.”

People would be surprised to learn “that I lived my entire life in a major city and then moved to a rural property for retirement,” she adds. “As a very outgoing person who loves social interactions, people are always surprised that I made that decision.”

Barbara loves to travel and remains passionate about making a positive difference in her community. She’s also passionate about her family, dogs, cooking and loves to curl up with a good book.

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