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## New Lodge for Spirit River, Alberta!

Berry Architecture is working on a new lodge project in Spirit River, AB! The new lodge will replace the existing lodge on a nearby site. It will be a three-storey facility with a mix of 40 Seniors' Lodge suites (including four couple suites); 26 Designated Supportive Living, Level 4 suites; and 26 Designated Supportive Living, Level 4 for Dementia suites. The new lodge will incorporate all the required amenities in a homey, comfortable, and pleasant atmosphere designed to be in keeping with the cultural context of the area. The residents will have access to green spaces on the north and southeast sides of the building, featuring gazebos, benches, and raised planting beds along several walking paths. The Level 4D residents will have their own fenced-in courtyard with similar site features. The new lodge is a Design-Build project with Krawford Construction, currently in the tendering phase. In addition to the lodge, a future self-contained seniors' apartment has been planned for the southeast portion of the site.



## BAA Curling at Chamber Event



BAA took part in a curling event put on by the Red Deer & District Chamber of Commerce on February 23. We were joined by John Conti of Midwest Design and Construction. It was a lot of fun and great to get out and participate in events again! Pictured left to right are: John Conti, Lee Phillips, Angela Flinn, and Tracey Evans.

## New Project: Gitanyow Admin/Education Building



We are currently undertaking a new project in the First Nation community of Gitanyow, BC. This public facility will be an administration and education building, creating new sharing and learning experiences for the whole community. The facility includes offices, classrooms, kitchens, computer lab, council chamber, and library with a floor area of 9,774 ft<sup>2</sup>. The project is designed to be in keeping with the culture of the Gitksan people, as well as celebrate its forest environment. It will be clad in wood and stone, with semi-circular gathering spaces on the southwest side. The new building will nestle into its hillside site, allowing for large windows on the lower floor. The structure is designed with ICF walls (an isolation layer on both sides of the concrete structure), providing the building with highly efficient insulation and increased longevity. At this time, we are working on construction drawings and hope to be under construction in the summer.



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