



TUXEDO PARK

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MARCH 2013

The Official Newsletter of the Tuxedo Park Community Association

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Tuxedo Park Community Association meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, except July and August (no meetings) and December (usually earlier due to Christmas). Meetings start at 7:30 pm. All community residents are welcome to express their concerns, meet some of your neighbours, or sit in and hear what's happening in and around you community.

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President's Message



by Gus Barron

My journey began at the invite of a friend who knew me through the Federation of Calgary Communities to attend a Tuxedo Park Community Association General Meeting the rest is history. I became a member and became active in volunteering at different events and enjoyed working with some of the finest volunteers. After a relocation to Tuxedo Park I became a full voting member and served under a couple of different presidents before becoming your president.

I can say that it has been most rewarding to have served and will continue to assist should the new president ask. It has always been a belief of mine that if you stay too long in any one position your energy level drops and the Community Association suffers. Last year I attempted to step down and allow anyone else to seek the office of president but no one came forward.

I am convinced that there are members sitting at the table who are more than capable of taking this Community into the future with new ideas and commitment. I believe that all members should play a more active role in continuing the great work started by our first president Alex

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TPCA COMMUNITY NEWS

Annual General Meeting

This year's Tuxedo Park Community Association AGM (Annual General Meeting) will be held on March 21st at 7:30pm at the Hall. Memberships will be available for purchase at the AGM. We hope to see you there!



Upcoming Events

For more information on any event please visit <http://tuxedoparkcommunity.ca/events/>

March 16 – Seniors and Fraud, 10:00am, Northminster Church

March 21 – Tuxedo Park AGM, 7:30pm, Tuxedo Park Hall, all welcome

March 22 - Community Supper, 6:30pm, \$14, Tuxedo Park Hall all welcome

April 17 – Tuxedo Park Safe Communities – Q&A discussion with Calgary Police Force Community Liaison Constable Will Johnson

1835 House Development Update

Over the past year some concerned and dedicated Tuxedo Park residents and business owners appealed the development of an alcohol and drug addiction treatment facility to be built on Center Street between 28th Ave and 29th Ave on the east side of the street. Thank you to those community members for working so diligently in the development process. Here is what we know:

Recovery Acres (Calgary) Society (1835 House) is in agreement and intends to comply to the Conditions of Approval relative to Appeal & Order No. SDAB2012-0136 by the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

The permanent conditions of the approval are:

The special care facility approved will be for the exclusive use of an alcohol and drug addiction treatment facility with three residential units, as applied for. Any changes to the use(s), the intensity of the use(s) and /or the operations of the facility will require a new development permit.

The development shall be completed in its entirety, in accordance with the approved plans and conditions.

Recovery Acres shall establish a Citizen Liaison Officer who can be contacted by residents to address any concerns which may arise in relation to the operation of the special care facility. In addition, Recovery Acres shall on a half year basis, at its expense, place in the community newsletter, or whatever community publication is delivered to the residents, an advertisement (of a reasonable and legible size) clearly indicating the contact information of the Citizen Liaison Officer, and inviting the public to communicate any concerns or complaints regarding the facility to Recovery Acres via the Citizen Liaison Officer.

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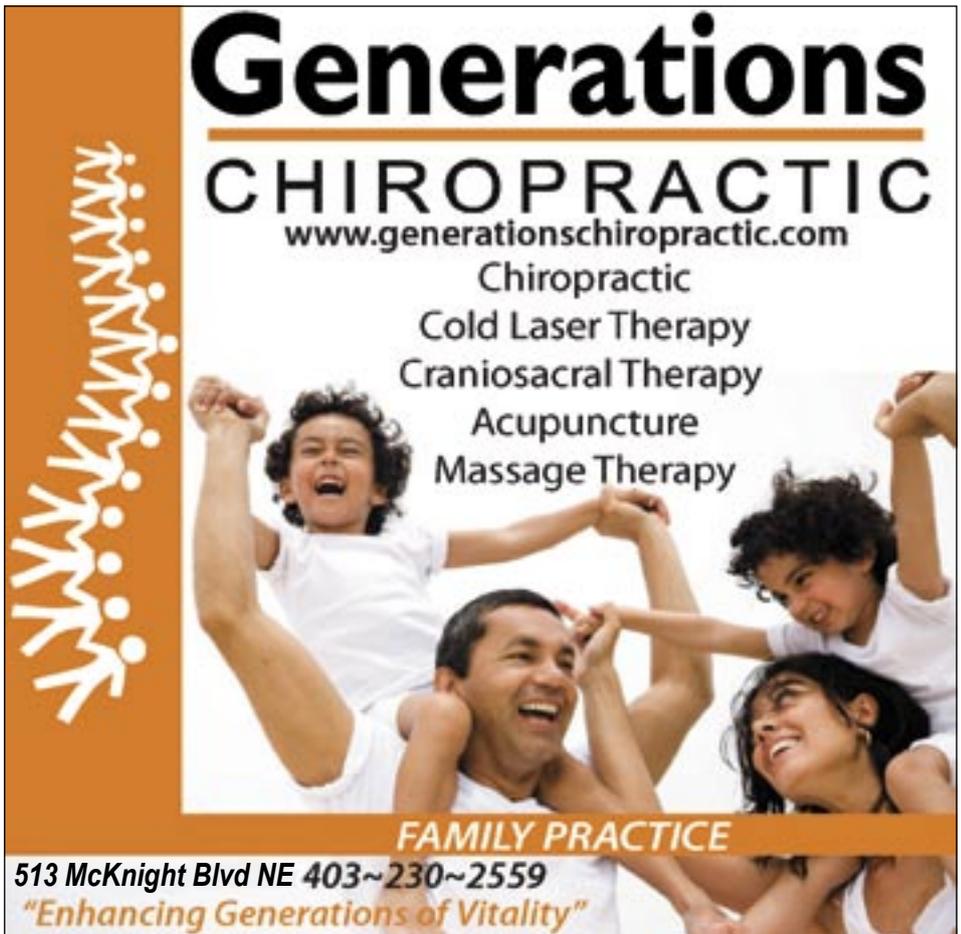
Your community newsletter is published ten times per year. Dec and Jan are combined into a single issue; July and Aug are combined into a single issue.

Editorial deadlines are the 10th of the month prior to issue month.

Eg: The May 2013 issue editorial deadline is April 10th.

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Editor's Message

I am energized! You may have read my story last month on why I finally started to volunteer in the community. Tuxedo Park has benefited from a long legacy of dedicated community members and dedicated Calgary services that have enabled our Community Association's success. We are fortunate, not all communities have a full board – heck, I learned this week that there are some communities that don't even have a Community Hall!

As I drove home today from Safeway, I looked at Center Street in a different way. Before I became involved I didn't see everything that I see now, but today I saw an empty lot that 1835 House originally wanted, then I saw the plot of land that they will soon be building on and I understood what has gone on in the development and appeal process. I saw ideas for events that we can plan to bring our children together and meet our neighbors. I saw our park and wondered how it may be improved. I saw our community hall and envisioned families coming and going from the doors. I saw blank canvases that we can encourage the display of art on.

I feel powerful, because I am learning what makes a community tick and I can see – in a behind the scenes kind of way - all of the people that are working so hard to improve our community. I am starting to see our community differently, and it's energizing. It makes me feel like whatever small things I do to help, when we come together as a group, these small things make for a successful community, and really a much more beautiful place to live.

Our AGM is on March 21st at 7:30pm. It is going to be a special AGM. Come by and hear how we have done, and see where we think we may be going. Hopefully you will have some fun, meet your neighbors, and be inspired to find your reason to get involved in your community.

Please continue to read this *Gazette*, visit our website and sign up for our email newsletter (email tuxedoparkcommunity@gmail.com to sign up). Have fun Tuxedo Park!

*Shannon Bowen-Kelsick, Communication Lead
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The Board of Directors of Recovery Acres has appointed Jim Calverley as the Citizen Liaison Officer effective immediately. Contact info: Calverley@recoveryacres.org, 403-245-1196.

Construction is scheduled to start in late spring and the building could be occupied in approximately 18 months. This facility will treat males only. Recovery Acres has not signed a Good Neighbor Agreement, this was a concern during the appeal process and also discussed at community meetings. This issue continues to be discussed.

Tuxedo Strategic Plan in the Works

The board is working on a Strategic Plan that is required for focused direction of the Association, as well as required to renew our lease with the City of Calgary. Mary Ann has been working hard on this plan; it is currently in draft phase and is anticipated to be completed in April. We will share the plan at upcoming general meetings, on our website, and also share tidbits throughout the year in the *Gazette*. If you would like input into this plan please contact Mary Ann: maryannmilne@yahoo.com or call the general hall number: 403.277.8689.

Crime in Tuxedo Park – April 17th at 7:30pm

March was a tough month for many Tuxedo Park residents. There was a tragic crime that resulted in a loss of life, and it happened on my block, and in my alley.

This resulted in some challenging conversations with my 8 year old, and with my family, questioning the safety and future of our neighbourhood. I have felt safe, and do still feel safe even though this crime happened in our yards. But I wonder, how can we make our community safe? What actions deter crime? Do our community members want to support and put effort in this area?

We will be holding a Tuxedo Park Safe Communities meeting at the hall on April 17th at 7:30pm. Our Calgary Police Force (CPS) Liaison, Constable Will Johnson will be in attendance, and we are working on getting more key people to attend. The format of this meeting is still in the works, but it will lean heavily toward a Q&A style meeting so we can ask questions and learn more about what is happening in Tuxedo and neighboring communities, and to hear what other communities are doing to decrease crime and increase safety. There are some Calgary communities shutting down drug houses, addressing dilapidated houses and decreasing crime significantly – by banding together. We need to do this to. Please attend the meeting, and bring your questions!

When I spoke with Constable Johnson, he stressed, if community members are having reoccurring issues and feeling that CPS is not addressing them appropriately please get in contact with him (CPS District 3 Office: 403-428-6300) or attend the April 17th meeting – he wants to hear from our community members. We are his eyes and ears.

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Leew and all those who followed. Tuxedo Park generated a lot of politicians including two premiers a few aldermen/councillors and a mayor. Not bad for what once was considered a working class neighbourhood.

Our Community is in transition with new families coming in and our builders leaving us for their own reasons. It is a wonderful opportunity to engage all residents and especially our members in what vision and direction they see as the best way to move forward. We have a small dedicated group currently who want to continue the tradition of making Tuxedo Park the best Community in Calgary to reside in. They need your support and guidance to accomplish this worthy goal. A small commitment on your part by becoming a member, volunteering when you can, and as you know every little bit helps, a lot of hands make light work.

To all the Board and Executive members I have served with thank you, and to all members who continued to attend our General Meetings during my Tenure with your support, you made my presidency fun and rewarding. To all volunteers we could not do it without you and I cannot say thank you enough times, thank you especially for the memories.

Gus Barron, President, TPCA



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Sam Rafoss, 403-988-7507. Daughter has taken babysitting course.

Parents - if your child, or children, have baby-sitting experience and would like to be in our baby-sitting registry please contact Chyrstina at 403-244-2418. She can fill you in on the policies and procedures of this program. **Please Note:** *Babysitting Services are not endorsed by the TPCA, people using this list do so as a private agreement between the two parties.*



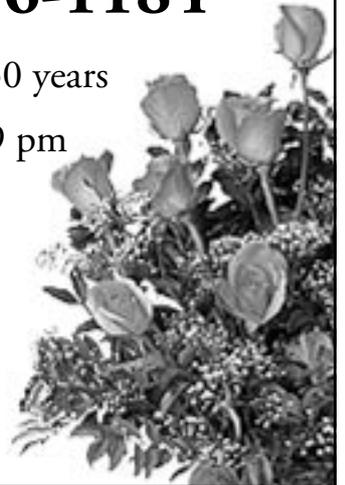
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If you have any thoughts on this, or would like to help with this initiative please email me tuxedoparkcommunity@gmail.com or call me at 403.992.4142.

Shannon Bowen-Kelsick

Ward 9 Alderman's Message

Happy March Tuxedo Park neighbours! This past month I hosted a dinner across Edmonton Trail at the Winston Heights Community Hall with the City's new General Manager of Planning, Rollin Stanley, and all of Ward 9's CA presidents and development chairs (I was sad no one from Tuxedo Park was able to make it – it was a really successful evening). The purpose of the dinner was to specifically discuss the importance of neighbourhood-based visions as we transform our City's approach to planning and development. This transformative work, branded NextCity, has been able to build consensus towards a strong commitment for a complete overhaul of the system. The fact is that every community in Ward 9 is or has or wants to undertake community-based visioning and I am committed to ensuring that it's a cornerstone of the NextCity transformation. The intelligence, passion, and commitment of Ward 9's citizen leadership went a long way towards achieving this objective with Mr. Stanley.

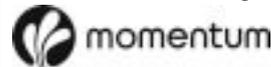
In local news, I've just been informed by the City that a deep rebuild of Edmonton Trail between 16th Avenue to several blocks north

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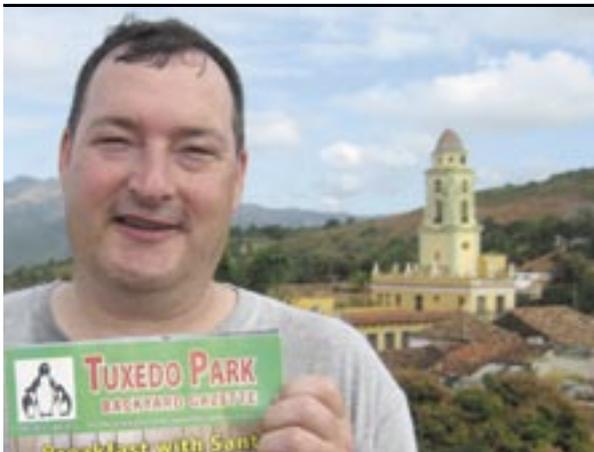
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of Tuxedo Park will be occurring over the next two summers. At this point it looks like the northern section will go first and it's unclear how much of Tuxedo Park's stretch will be affected. At my initial meeting with Roads I made it clear that they should design rebuilds of the sidewalks as conscientiously as the automobile lanes. Stay tuned for info as it becomes available and, I expect, an open house.

Tuxedo Park's other main street - Centre Street - has been the source of much effort on my part over the last couple years as I've struggled to get different City departments working collaboratively with each other and the developers of several proposed projects. My objective has been to shape development proposals to reflect less of what Centre Street looks like today and more of what we want it to become (another strong argument of a coherent neighbourhood vision).

I met with a group studying Early Childhood Development in Tuxedo Park and Winston Heights-Mountview who are part of a province-wide study. Initial data is alarmingly, suggesting that a disproportionate number of our kids are entering kindergarten significantly behind the average with regard to a series of developmental criteria. I will be working with this group and your CA to interface them with as many Tuxedo Park families as possible to conduct interviews and try to determine why this might be the case and what we can do to remediate. Please stand by on that front.

Finally, this past month I was proud to support Mayor Nenshi's revision of the rules surrounding the municipal election - rules designed to level the playing field regarding incumbency and encourage broad participation in one of the most sacred institutions of our democracy, the electoral process.

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OUTDOOR SOCCER REGISTRATION - CMCA and Memorial FC

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Questions: Phone Peter at 403-272-0462

UPCOMING EVENTS:

St Patrick's Day Games Night - Saturday, March 16 at 6:45pm for registration. In the Lounge and Upper Hall - Games prizes, green beer, Irish stew, live entertainment after the games. Adults only. Volunteers needed please!

Ladies Night Out - May 9th

Community Clean-up - June 1st

Boot Sale - June 8th

Stampede Breakfast - July 13th

PROGRAMS AT THE HALL

MONDAY: Yoga - upstairs - Fireside Room - 7:30 to 9pm. Please call Marg at 403-273-7952 for information.

TUESDAY: Social walking - downstairs, 9 to 11am

WEDNESDAY: Sparks - 6 to 7:15pm; Brownies - 6 to 7:30pm; Beavers - 6pm

THURSDAY: 50+ Club - Whist and Bridge every Thursday at 1pm in The Alpine Loft, 2nd level (Elevator available) Pot-luck lunch every third Thursday. New members welcome!
-Yoga upstairs - Fireside Room - 1:15 - 2:45pm Call Marg Berger at 403-273-7952 for information.

FRIDAY: Military Whist in the Alpine Loft (Elevator available) the 4th Friday of the month.

SATURDAY: Lounge - Fireside Room. Open on some Saturdays. We are taking private bookings, call the office at 403-273-5894 to book.

Last Saturday of the month - Jam Sessions and Euchre. Euchre starts at 7:30 everyone welcome.

MARLBOROUGH PARK

Marlborough Park Community Association

Hall: 6021 Madigan Drive NE

Hall Rentals: Call 403-248-1775

Newsletter email: marlpark@shaw.ca

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MPCA Soccer Registration: Registration is from 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Registration dates for 2013: March: 5, 7, 12, 14

Social Club - March 8, April 12, in the lounge, 7pm - 12 am.

Femme Fatale (ladies trade show): March 19 from 6 to 10pm at the hall. Bring all your friends for this fabulous 'ladies night out'.

Easter Egg Hunt: March 24 from 10am to noon. This year we will be hosting the event in the gym. Bring your family for games, crafts and so much more! Tickets are \$3 per child and can be pre-purchased at the hall after Monday March 11, 2013.

Jelly Bean Dance - April 19. Volunteers needed

Fundraising Casino - April 29 and 30. Volunteers needed.

Blood Services: Canadian Blood Services at the Marlborough Park community centre gym, 6021 Madigan Drive NE, on July 5th.

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AT THE HALL

NIA - (Non Impact Arobics) classes for ages 6-86. Tuesdays 6:15 pm.

For more information phone the hall at 403-248-1775

Adult Drop-in Volleyball: Every Wednesday night from 8:30 to 10:30pm. Join us in the gym at the Marlborough Park Community Centre for fitness and fun!

Marlborough Park PreSchool:

On-going Registration. Please call 403-235-2996.

Loma Seniors Wednesday afternoons at 1pm. Please call Tony at 403-273-4534 for more information.

Drop-in Tai Chi Drop-in Tai Chi is held at the Marlborough Park Community Centre every Tuesday from 9:15 to 10:15am.

WINSTON HTS - MOUNTVIEW

Winston Hts - Mountview Community Association

Hall: 520 - 27 Avenue NE

Hall Rentals: Call 403-276-5474 or

Email hallmanager@winstonheights.ca

Newsletter email: newsletter@winstonheights.ca

Ice Rinks are Open! The central ice rink and the skating oval at the WHMCA community hall, and the Adopt-A-Rink in the park on Marsden Road is open also! Both rinks are available for free skating any time of day. Hockey can be played on the central ice rink at the community hall. Both rinks will be lit in the evenings until 10:30pm.

Mom and Tots Playgroup: Tuesdays from 10:30am to 2:30pm at the community hall. Children of all ages are welcome. For more info please contact Mary-Beth Walsh at 403-209-1691.

Swinging Singles Square Dance Club

MEN - DON'T BE A COUCH POTATO! Come dance with us at our Singles Square Dance Club. Beginners classes start Sept. 10 at 8pm. Email: ldearl@telus.net or call 403-265-9697 for more information.

RUNDLE

Rundle Community Association

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Volunteer Income Tax Preparation : For more information please email at fisherge@telus.net or phone at 403 285-7354.

Rundle Junior Youth: Wednesday and Thursday afternoons
Still accepting participants. Everyone between the ages of 11-15 is welcome to join. To learn more about this initiative and explore ways you can help contribute to a better world. Please call 403-400-3191.

Time 2 Talk: Learning language program for preschoolers
Program for 3 and 4 year olds at the Rundle Community Hall twice a week. Program runs till the end of June, Mondays & Wednesdays.
9:00am - 11:00am, Registration Fee: \$50, Monthly Fees: \$100/month
Registration is ongoing. Call 587-777-6747 or email time2talk.lisa@gmail.com for more information!

Rundle's best kept secret! **The Summit Pub at the hall.**

The Summit Pub also offers pool tables, dart boards, as well as cribbage games on Tuesday and euchre on Thursdays. Wing night is still on Wednesdays. Families are welcome!

NEW! TEXAS HOLD'EM ON Saturday nights at 7pm

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Crib Night at the Rundle Summit Pub! Tuesdays 7 to 9pm

Have dinner, play cards and have fun, fun, fun. All welcome.

MOUNT PLEASANT

Mount Pleasant Community Association

Hall: 602 - 22nd Avenue NW

Hall Rentals: Call 403-282-1314 or email:

hallrentals@mpca.ca

Newsletter email: publicity@mpca.ca

Easter Shell Hunt & Bike Parade: Sunday, Mar. 31 11am - 1pm
Decorate your bike or trike (a few items will be available) & join the parade at 12:30pm! Baking & beverages provided. Bring your own Easter basket. MPCA Community Hall (Upper Hall in case of rain)

Pleasant Times - Upper Hall, 602 22 Ave. NW

Pleasant Times is an adults-only group that meets from 2 to 4 pm. usually on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Upper Hall, 602 22 Ave. NW. Join us for good conversation, games, refreshments, and the opportunity to add your ideas for outings and other activities. If you'd like to be informed of our planned activities and trips in advance, please contact Linda at (403) 289-8390 or lohanlon@telus.net. You also can check mpca.ca for information.

Book Club - 4th Tuesday (usually) of the month from 7 to 9pm in the Lower Hall. Our March 26 book is *Ella Minnow Pea* by Mark Dunn. Our April 23rd book will be *Speaking My Truth, Reflections on Reconciliation and Residential School*, edited by Mike DeGagné and Jonathan Dewar. For more info email lohanlon@telus.net or call Linda at (403) 289-8390.

Mount Pleasant Playgroup

Register for the winter session of The Mount Pleasant Playgroup which runs to June 14. It's close by and it's inexpensive: only \$37.50 for our five month winter session plus a few hours of your time volunteering. For information you can email mpp.chair@gmail.com.

CROSSROADS

"I live in Crossroads!"

Crossroads Community Association

Hall: 1803 14 Avenue NE Ph: 403-277-6201

Hall Rentals: Call the hall at 403-277-6201

Newsletter email: convenor.editor@gmail.com

Facebook page: <http://on.fb.me/fqjqlG>

Crossroads Community Preschool: Accepting registrations for the 2012/2013 school year. Please call 403-277-2168 or 403-640-4967.

Crossroads 50+ Club: Meet every Monday at 6:30pm at the Crossroads Community Centre. Join us for fun times and meet your neighbours. For information call 403-277-6201 or visit our website at: www.crossroads50plusclub.com

Dance Dimensions Annual Dance Recital: "The Magic of Dance"
Please come out and support the youth in the community by attending this wonderful show! For information please call Veralin Phillips-Michael at 403-276-4489

Free Family Movie Nights are Back!

Friday, Mar 15 - Doors open at 6:30pm, movie starts at 7pm

Pick up your Perk - our CCA Membership gets you a coupon for a FREE concession item!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Teen Night: 7-9:30 pm - March 8

Good Food Box Pickups - March 15

Family Movie Night: 7-9 pm - March 15

Pub Night: 7:30 pm - March 29

Easter Egg Hunt: 10 am-12 pm - March 30

CROSSROADS cont

4th Annual Crossroads Multicultural Festival - May 25, 2013
The Festival Committee is looking for people who would like to be part of this successful event. We are also looking for cultural performances, cultural groups to host information tables and donations of foods. Come out and share your culture with our Community. If you would be interested in participating and/or volunteering please contact camulticulture@gmail.com or Shannon at 403-474-4298

Get involved!
Your community needs... YOU!

BRIDGELAND-RIVERSIDE

Bridgeland Riverside Community Association
Hall: 917 Centre Avenue NE
Ph: 403-263-5755, Hall email: hall@brccalgary.org
Newsletter email: newsletter@brccalgary.org
Visit our web site at: www.brccalgary.org for a complete listing of programs and classes.

Hall programs and Events

Ongoing:

Yoga with Jani Tues 6:30 – 8 janikrulc@gmail.com
Zumba Thursday 6-7 www.fairburnfitness.com
Kitty Raymond Parenting courses: www.raymondparenting.com
Fotoscool Photography www.fotoscool.ca

Upcoming:

Bridgeland Soccer - Season starts April 22, 2013 and will run until the end of June (coaches discretion).

Registration for U4 & U6 closes April 10th

Registration for U8, U10 and U12 closes March 11, 2013

Please go to our website www.brccalgary.org for more information or to register.

Winter Fun Walk - March 9th 4pm. Join us for a fun and easygoing walk around Bridgeland-Riverside. Kids and pets are welcome! We meet at the community hall at 4pm and finish up with coffee and hot chocolate.

Kids Toy/Clothing Sale - March 16th 10-2pm. The BRCA is holding its first ever children's toy/clothing sale. Parents - donate or sell your gently used kids items and pick up new, exciting toys and clothes at bargain prices! All proceeds will go to the BRCA for future programming and events. For more information please contact Stacey at events@brccalgary.org, or Roseanne at vp@brccalgary.org

Earth Hour and EcoLiving Events - Saturday, March 23 8-11pm. We encourage everyone to join us. You can participate in our drumming circle (drums provided) or bring your own instrument (drum, guitar, harmonica, etc.) and join the discussions about Calgary's environmental successes and challenges. EcoLiving will be giving away solar lights, join us to create a large "Calgary" sign with solar lights

Bridgeland Riverside Playgroup: We meet Wednesdays from 10am to noon at the Bridgeland Campus of Centre Street Church, 235-8A Street NE. For more information email: events@brccalgary.org.

Women's Centre - The Women's Centre of Calgary is a unique street-front organization that provides a variety of services and opportunities to the women of Calgary. We offer drop-in support services and all programs and services are free. Join us for a workshop or drop in for coffee and to connect with other women. We are located at 646 – 1st Ave NE. You can reach us at 403-264-1155 or info@womenscentrecalgary.org.

March 2013

TUXEDO PARK

Tuxedo Park Community Association

Hall: 202 29 Avenue NE

Ph: 403-277-8689

Newsletter email: tpcanewsletter@hotmail.com

Tuxedo Events Calendar: visit www.tuxedoparkcommunity.ca/events

Yoga: Tuesdays at 7:30 in Upper Hall.

Community Supper: March 22, 6:30pm, \$14, Tuxedo Park Hall. All are welcome!

Events at Northminster in March

March 1 - World Day of Prayer. 1pm followed by refreshments. Everyone is welcome to participate in this global service. Light lunch to follow. FREE.

March 7 - Seniors are invited to join us for fun, friendship, games, and snacks at 1pm. FREE. Please use Centre Street door.

Every Friday Morning - 10am. Coffee and Conversation in our newly renovated space. FREE. Please use the Centre Street door.

Seniors and Fraud: March 16, 10:00am, Northminster Church

Free Family Movie Night - Pizza and Rise of the Guardians. **March 22 - 6 pm.** This is a great family movie. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please call for FREE tickets.

Easter Sunday - Come hear the story of hope and share the miracle of Easter on March 31 at 10:30am. Includes special activities for children. Social time to follow. FREE.

Tuxedo Park Safe Communities : April 17, Q&A discussion with Calgary Police Force Community Liaison Constable Will Johnson

CRESCENT HEIGHTS

Crescent Heights Community Association

Hall: 1101 - 2nd Street NW

Hall Rentals: Call 403-804-5600

Newsletter email: chcaview@gmail.com

Community walk with Rollin Stanley - Saturday, March 23

Join the Crescent Heights Planning Committee on a walk through our community with Rollin Stanley of the City of Calgary. Our stroll will last one hour and we will meet at the community hall at 11am.

Empties For Equipment! Crescent Heights High School's monthly drop-off bottle drives. Thanks for helping support various clubs and teams - your donations make a huge difference to us! Drop-offs take place the second Saturday of the month - **March 9th.** Thanks for your continuing support!

Programs at the hall

SUNDAYS: Pentecostal Church Public Service 10am – noon

MONDAYS: Fitness Class 5-7pm, call Lana 403-999-5373

Dance and Fitness 7:30 – 9:30pm.

WEDNESDAYS: Fitness Class 6:30-7:15am, call Lana 403-999-5373

CHCA Playgroup 10 – 11:30am, For info call Stacie 403-670-6872

Zumba: 5-7pm, for information call 403-826-5926

Tai Chi: 7:30 – 9:30pm

THURSDAYS: Fitness Class 5:30-8pm. For info call Lana 403-999-5373

For more a more detailed Hall Calendar and for event and activities contact information please visit:

<http://www.calgaryarea.com/nw/crescenthts/calendar/diary.asp>

Wild Rose United Church: 403-630-5944 www.wildroseunited.ca

Join us at Wild Rose United Church for Easter!

Good Friday Service at 10:00 am

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service at 7:00 am followed by a light breakfast

Easter Sunday Service at 10:00 am

Tuxedo Park Backyard Gazette

March is Community Membership Awareness Month!

HIGHLAND PARK

Highland Park Community Association

Hall: 3716 - 2nd Street NW

Hall Rentals: Call 403-276-6969

Newsletter email: highlandparkeditor@gmail.com

SENIOR'S LUNCH: Please join us at the Highland Park Community Hall, 3716 – 2 St. NW on the third Monday of the month, at noon.

Date: March 18th. Cost: \$5/member, \$10/non-member

Call Anne Klempa at 403-277-3388 to confirm your attendance.

Hall Programs:

Karate: Every Monday, 6:15 – 7:15pm (kids), 7:30 - 9:30 (adults)

Scottish Country Dancing: Every Tuesday, 7:30 – 9:30pm

Martial Arts: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:30pm

Irish Dancing: Every Wednesday, 5:00 – 9:30pm

Blood Donor Clinic: Sat. March 30 from 9am to 1pm at the hall.

Community volunteers needed to greet donors after their donation.

Two shifts available: 9:00 am – 11:30 am & 11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Call Jeanette Patrick at 403-277-2508 to volunteer

RENFREW

Renfrew Community Association

Hall: 811 Radford Road NE Ph: 403-230-7055

Hall Rentals: Call 403-230-7055 and leave message.

Newsletter: newsletter@renfrewcommunity.ca

Renfrew Bingo - The little hall with the big payouts!

Saturday and Monday evenings. Nickel Games at 6:10pm, regular games at 6:50pm, Satellite at 8:45pm. Concession open.

5th Annual Tiny Tots Sale: Sat, April 13, 9am to 2pm. Gently used children's clothing, books, gear and toys. Sell your own children's items, sign up as a vendor! Partial proceeds from each purchase go to support the Renfrew Tiny Tots Co-op Playgroup. Contact renfrew.tinytots@gmail.com or visit www.renfrewtinytots.com for more info.

FREE Clothing Give-Away: Saturday April 6, 10am to noon at Renfrew Baptist Church - 1204 Renfrew Dr. NE. Phone: 403-277-2292
Clothes from Children to Adult sizes. Free lunch will be available

Renfrew Hall Calendar:

Jelly Bean Dance - March 15, 6 to 9pm

Easter Egg Decorating Party - March 24, 11:30am - 1:00pm

Bottle Drops continue last Saturday of every month 10-noon

Renfrew Community Pub (Social Room)

Most Fridays from 7pm until close. Non-members welcome - be our guest. Free pool, free shuffleboard, free foosball.

Renfrew 50+ Club: Pool table and dart board available for members. Recruiting new members for 2013. Membership \$20 for the year. Need volunteers to help make the Thursday lunches.

Mondays: 9:30 to 11:30am - Tea & Conversation, 1 to 3pm - Cribbage

Tuesdays: 9:30 to 10:30 - Stretch & Breathe

Wednesdays: Drop in - 9am to 3pm

Thursdays: Lunch at noon

Fridays: 9:30 to 10:30am - Stretch & Breathe

MORE COMMUNITY NEWS

Rosemont School News

February brought a number of exciting events to our learning community!

On Tuesday, February 5th, students were invited to participate in Winter Walk Day. This fifteen-minute walk around our schoolyard seeks to promote outdoor fitness in the winter months and is part of our Healthy Learner's Initiative.

February 11th, 12th and 13th saw our school-wide Winter Carnival take place with students in Room 5 planning and running outdoor activities for our students. This is a fun series of activities that celebrates the Winter Season and connects to the Quebec Winter Carnival through our French program.

During the same week, all students from Grades 1 through 6 participated in Nordic Ski Lessons (weather permitting). The lessons were taught by the Foothills Nordic Ski Club as part of the physical education program. Each class received one-hour of lessons each day on our school property. We are excited to be part of this program for the first time!

Graphic Designer Needed!

Needed: volunteer graphic designer or aspiring graphic designer

What: to help with small scale graphic design, making small flyers, cover pages and other projects

When: on a project by project basis

Why: Help your community, make great contacts, and enhance your portfolio! Oh – and have some fun too!

Contact Shannon: tuxedoparkcommunity@gmail.com

Northminster United Church

www.northminster.ca

Events at Northminster in March

March 7 – Seniors are invited to join us for fun, friendship, games, and snacks at 1 pm. FREE.

Every Friday Morning – 10 am. Coffee and Conversation in our newly renovated space. FREE.

Saturday March 16 – 10 am - "Seniors and Fraud" Presentation

Be educated the latest frauds and scams that are separating seniors from their money. Seniors and their families/caregivers welcome.

This is a FREE community service. Refreshments will be served.

Free Family Movie Night – Pizza and Rise of the Guardians. March 22 - 6 pm. This is a great family movie. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please call for FREE tickets.

Easter Sunday – Make your Momma proud! Come hear the story of hope and share the miracle of Easter on March 31 at 10:30 am. Includes special activities for children. Social time to follow. FREE.

Mrs Sandburg and the Sandburg family would like to thank all their friends and neighbours for the expressions of sympathy and support they received upon the death of their dear son, Francis Brent Kelley. Thank you.

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Are you interested in talking with others about Calgary's aging population and what this may mean for your community?

Join us for a Conversation Café on February 19th at 1:15pm at Sir Winston Churchill Pool.

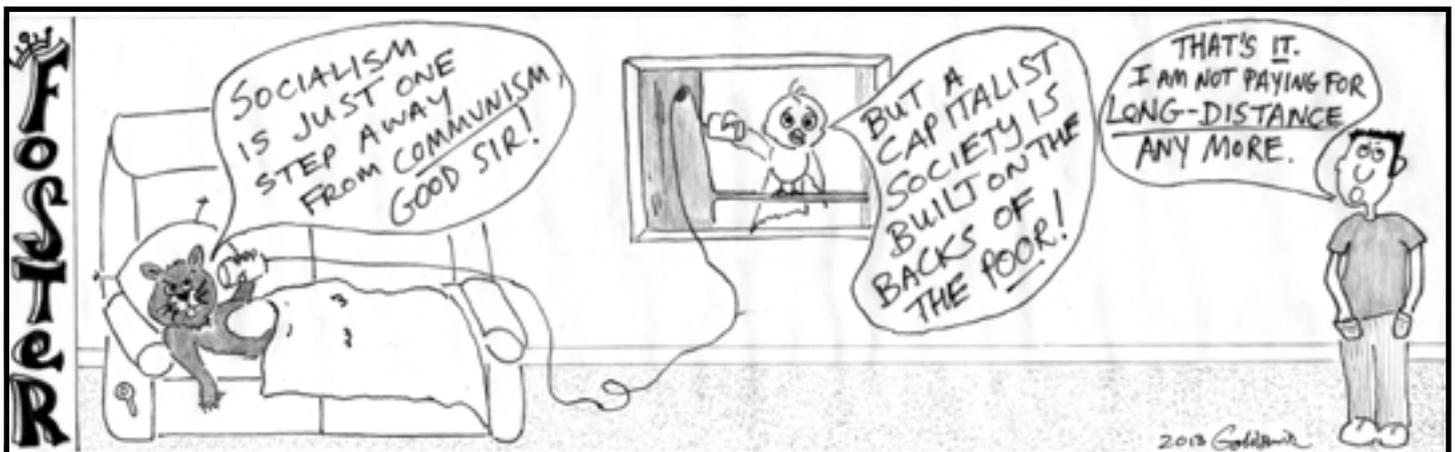
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It is often intimidating to join a group. However, there are many ways to get connected:

- fitness class at a local pool
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- walking group
- special interest club
- service group
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Did you know...

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