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- 1. Fill out this paper form and mail along with payment to: Box 78053, RPO Heritage, Calgary, ABT2H 2Y1.
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- 3. Email membership@fairviewcommunity.ca and one of our volunteers can drop off a membership and pick up your payment (contactless).
- 4. Phone 403-252-5424 and leave a message with your name and phone number, stating that you'd like to buy a membership. A board member will return your call and set up a time for a contactless drop off of your membership card and pick up of your payment.

#### Be a Part of Your Community Association Today!



### **Your Community Association Needs You!**

The community association has been there for our community and now they need our support! Consider becoming a member or volunteer to support the amazing work they do. Connect with any board member or email office@fairviewcommunity.ca to find out more!

#### March 1, 2023, to February 29, 2024

Please make cheques payable to Fairview Community Association.						
Name:						
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Email:						
Membership fee: \$20 per family (up to two registered adults and any number of children under the age of 18 living at the same residence)						
☐ Yes, we are interested in volunteering						
☐ Yes, I am interested in receiving updates by email						

#### **FAIRVIEW INFORMATION**

#### **Our Mission**

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# where's fairview?

When you tell other people that you live in Fairview, how many times have heard the response "Where's Fairview?" You probably reply with "north of Acadia", "near Chinook Mall", by the "Farmer's Market", and such. To celebrate the spirit of our small, great, and apparently little-known community, we are now selling "where's fairview?" bumper stickers. They cost \$5 and all the money goes directly to the Community Association. You can purchase one online on our website fairviewcommunity.ca (via PayPal), or by emailing sam.koots@fairviewcommunity.ca and we will deliver one to you. By the way, they fit great on laptops, coffee mugs and iPads, as well.

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#### 60+ Collective

The 60+ Collective will have the opportunity to create a beautiful piece of art by taking an Ikebana class offered by our very own Fairview resident, Rika. Ikebana is the Japanese art of floral arranging or 'making flowers alive'. Rika is offering spring classes right here in our community. Please email 60plus@fairviewcommunity. ca to get your free spot! The classes will be free for all Fairviewers 60 and over. Please bring your membership card if you have one, and if not, consider purchasing a Fairview membership so we can continue to run interesting programs for local residents.

Classes will be held from 1:00 to 3:30 pm with the following available dates:

- April 21 and 24
- May 5, 8, 26, and 29
- June 9, 12, 23, and 26

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#### **SAFE & SOUND**



# Bicycle Helmet Safety

from Alberta Health Services

Head injuries are the leading

cause of serious injury and death to kids on wheels\*. Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist/pedestrian. Remember – it's the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and highly recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, and cycling.

#### Getting informed

- Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury, or even save a life
- Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death
- · Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet
- Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged

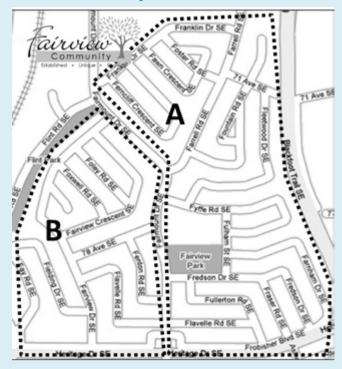
#### **Getting started**

- Allow children to assist when buying their helmet Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them
- Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets
- Parents must lead by example always wear a helmet when cycling

#### Getting the right fit

- Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash
- When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up, or down over the forehead
- Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side-to-side while the straps are unfastened
- Adjust the chin straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears
- Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened
- Do not forget to use the sizing pads included with the helmet. They will help improve the overall fit, comfort, and safety.
- \* Parachute Canada: http://www.parachutecanada.org/injury-topics/item/wheeled-activities1.

#### **Fairview Youth Services Directory**



#### Why Hire Fairview Youth?

Supporting local youth helps them develop a sense of responsibility, purpose, and connection to the community. Young people are energetic, flexible, and open-minded, and are looking to develop their skills and talents.

# We're Looking for Young Fairview Lawn Mowing Entrepreneurs!

Are you interested in providing lawn mowing services in the upcoming months? Contact us at news@ fairviewcommunity.ca to be added to the directory! We are also always looking for young people in Fairview who are interested in providing babysitting or pet-sitting services year-round. A parent or guardian must sign off on your listing.

#### **Babysitters**

- Julia, 587-573-0375 B
- Reese, 403-389-8795 B
- Abigail, 403-554-9034 A
- Ashlyn, 403-473-2829 B
- Mia, 587-998-9868 B
- 1,100,160,0110
- · Isaac, 403-463-8118 A

#### **Snow Shovelling**

- Adam, 403-629-5672 B
- Mason, 403-607-6610 B
- · Charlie, 403-819-6785 A
- Blair, 825-882-5557 A
- Danica, 403-408-6610 B
- · Sam, 403-608-4688 B
- Jade, 403-808-9413 A

#### **Pet Sitters**

- Bryn, 403-808-4428 B
- Tatum, 403-312-2125 B
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- Danica, 403-408-6610 B
- Danica, 403-312-2125 B
- Charlie, 403-819-6785 A
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- Layla, 403-471-9004 B

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Layla, 403-471-9004 B

Olivia, 403-998-8933 A

• Riley, 403-831-6406 A

### **Upcoming Community Events**

# Fairview Membership Drive April 10 to April 17

Our volunteers visit homes during this week to sell community memberships. You can support us by having your \$20 ready. If you missed our drive, you can always purchase a membership at fairviewcommunity.ca/membership, email membership@fairviewcommunity.ca, or call 403-252-5424.

#### National Volunteer Week April 16 to April 22

It's time to say thanks to everyone who dedicates their time to supporting our community. Without you, Fairview community wouldn't be such a great place to live! Thanks so much for volunteering your time.

#### **Our Spring Cleanup Events for 2023:**

#### Fairview's 24th Annual Parade of Garage Sales (POGS) Saturday, April 29 from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

Sponsored by Ed Belanger of CIR Realty! Mark your calendar and sell your stuff! See our website or the insert in this issue for full details and be sure to come out to find your treasure. Contact POGS coordinator Dave for information or to register your sale by emailing dave. eisenbart@fairviewcommunity.ca or calling 403-454-8327.

# Fairview's 26th Annual Spring Fling Community Cleanup

#### Sunday, May 7, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Sponsored by Peter Hughes Landscaping

See our website or the insert in this edition for full details on this always-popular event! Many Volunteers are also needed – contact Dave by email at dave.eisenbart@ fairviewcommunity.ca or by phone at 403-454-8327 if you can help out (especially if you have a truck) or need a household pick up.

#### 13th Annual Bottle Drive Saturday, May 13, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Clean out your garage and basement and donate your bottles and cans to support your community! Can you lend a hand? We can use your help, especially if you have a truck for door-to-door pick ups or can deliver bottle bags to houses the week prior. Contact Dave (information above) to volunteer.

#### Fairview Community Association Board Meeting Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 7:00 pm Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 7:00 pm

Location TBA

Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month

(with some exceptions). All members are welcome and encouraged to attend by contacting secretary@ fairviewcommunity.ca.

Do you have an idea for a community event?

Contact any board member or email events@ fairviewcommunity.ca.

## **Flavelle Rink Update**

by Wayne McNeely, Fairview Rink Master

What a busy place!

The rinks have been great over the big temperature changes in February and early March. We didn't get many opportunities to run the Zamboni, but it held up well. As we come up to the end of the season, we will be looking for volunteers to help out. If you are interested, please reach out to me at wayne.mcneely@fairviewcommunity.ca.

Speaking of volunteers, I want to thank all those who helped out this year with both the big and the little things. They all add up, and it was great to see some new faces jump in when needed. For example, the other day I met a young man named Riker who eagerly helped us clean off the rink. I know many more pitch in when needed. Huge shoutout to my man Riker and all rink users for stepping up!

Please note that we are looking for someone to take over rink duties for next year. I will still stay on in a lesser capacity to help out and guide the new person in charge. You do not need to be on the community association board to do this. I cannot guarantee that if we don't have someone else step up that we will be able to have the rinks next year. Below are the usual rink duties, and I am available anytime to discuss!

- Arrange set up and take down of the boards.
- Coordinate floods with water trucks.
- Coordinate other volunteers for rink floods (I can assist with the Zamboni).
- Regular inspections of the rinks (checking for holes and cracks) then arranging to repair or talk to volunteers to repair.

I would still be available to take care of City requirements and permits (Adopt-A-Rink program), payment for water, and other items required, etc. You would have support.

#### **Litter Around Fairview**

by Michelle Stensrud, Roving Reporter

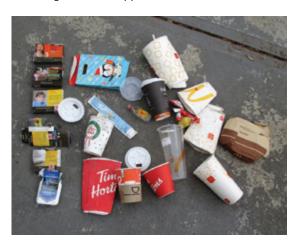
Ahh, spring! Such a lovely time of the year! Trees are budding with new life, flowers are popping out of the earth, and snow is melting away... showing all the gross, disgusting garbage people have littered all winter.

After our previous article about off-leash dogs, I received several emails from concerned neighbours who were pleased the topic was covered. However, they wanted to bring another Fairview problem to light: littering!

One resident mentioned that several times a week, they are picking up empty cigarette packs, chain restaurant cups, disposable masks, and all sorts of other garbage from their lawn. When you take a look on the ground throughout the neighbourhood, it seems that littering is an ongoing problem not only for the neighbours that I heard from, but for many others and in many areas of the community. I don't live on one of the busier roads, or close to a park, and I know how much garbage I pick up! I can only imagine how much garbage is left around busier spaces.

Since my kid was little, I have always encouraged him to put his garbage either in a bin if one is around, or in his pocket until we reach one. If you have some garbage when you're walking out and about, please follow suit! And if you have some free time, why not do a little garbage clean up around the neighbourhood? Fairviewers will thank you!

Whether or not you walk around the neighbourhood, I'm sure we can all agree that seeing garbage is gross and brings down the appearance of Fairview.



#### YOUR CITY OF CALGARY

## Weekly Green Cart Returns End of April

from the City of Calgary



Weekly green cart pick up returns the last week of April. Check your schedule at calgary.ca/collection and sign up for reminders, including email, phone, or download the Calgary Garbage Day app.

As you clean up the yard, fill your green cart first, then put extra yard waste in paper yard waste bags. Roll

the tops of the bags closed and set them at least two feet to the side of your green cart for collection.

#### **Compost Giveaways**

Compost will be available for pick up by online appointment from April 24 to June 10. Appointment bookings will be available on calgary.ca/compost starting April 10.



April 11 is National Pet Day! On this day, we show our love and appreciation to our furry, feathery, or scaly friends, even those still in need of a home. Pet Day is also used to advocate against animal violence and cruelty. This April 11, be sure to shower your pet friends with care and love, whether it means your own pet, someone else's, or a shelter animal in need.

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### **How to Meet Your Neighbours**

A message from the Federation of Calgary Communities



Moving to a new neighbourhood can be exciting and intimidating if you don't know anyone. Welcoming new neighbours into your community can be a great way to meet new friends and establish good relationships with neighbours. It has numerous benefits and even reduces the possibility of crime because people who know each other are more likely to look out for one another.

Do your part to transition new neighbours into your community or to meet neighbours who have been in your community for a while that you haven't met yet. There are little things you can do that will go a long way for bringing neighbours together!

 Introduce yourself to your neighbours and ask them a few questions about themselves. Tell them some information about yourself too. Some good starting points could be where they moved from or how long they've been in the community. Also, new neighbours could use information about the community association's programs and services, how to become a member, upcoming events, and even great local businesses or restaurants.

- 2. Welcome your neighbour by making a small yet caring gesture or gift. It can be the traditional pie, a cup of coffee, some flowers, vegetables from your garden, or even an invite to dinner. Moving is hard work and a warm meal will be appreciated by your new neighbours!
- 3. After introducing yourself, make the effort to wave, greet, and make small talk with your neighbours continuously. This encourages friendly discussion and makes neighbours feel continuously welcomed.

#### **Community Association Welcoming Committees**

Welcoming committees are a team of people who welcome new residents as they move to the community. Usually, they create welcome kits full of community association information on programs and services, business cards of local shops and restaurants, My Neighbour cards, emergency information and services, and maybe some small gifts like coffee cards. Upon moving into a home in the community, Welcoming Committees present these to new neighbours! Check with your community association to see if they have a welcoming committee, and if not, offer your help to develop one. One way to help distribute welcome kits is by asking local realtors, rental management companies, apartment managers, and landlords to inform the committee of new additions to the community. Then, you and your committee can deliver the packages!

Being welcoming can be very easy but it can be intimidating crossing cultural barriers. Keep in mind that good neighbours can be of all cultural backgrounds. Having an open heart and wanting to learn from new neighbours can make your community a diverse cultural hub. Be interested in getting to know your new neighbours, celebrating cultures, and sharing your family's own traditions.

#### **Found in Fairview**

#### **Working Dog - Part 2**

by Michelle Stensud, Roving Reporter

Remember last month I told you about Dexter, who is training to be a guide dog? You may remember that Dexter is discouraged from playing with balls while he is training so that when he is out and working he doesn't get distracted. Well, a few weeks ago I was at



the University of Calgary and ran into Dexter in the racquetball courts. There were so many balls flying around, and he didn't even look at them! Could your dog do that? It was amazing to see.

Training Dexter is basically a full-time job, except instead of getting paid in cash, you are paid in love and appreciation. Dexter himself, however, is paid in food, toys, leashes, trips to the vet – you name it. I know you are thinking "does Dexter really care about these pay days?" Likely not, but his foster family does and so will his forever family. The cost of all things for Dexter is covered by his sponsor, the people or corporation that supports the dog for the CNIB. They are the ones that get to name the dog too.

Before Dexter gets to work, he has to pass all his training. Once his foster mom, Melody, has spent the year with Dexter, he will graduate and move to Toronto. After another year of learning more specialised commands, Dexter will spend about two months interviewing and testing out different people to find his forever person.

Unlike our working years (which are too many!) Dexter will only work for about eight or nine years. When Dexter finally gets to retire, his owner will be the first person offered the option to keep him. If, for whatever reason, his person can't keep him at his time of retirement, Melody and family will be asked if they'd like Dexter to come back and live with them.

Dexter's life is mapped out and will certainly be full and exciting.

If you or someone you know would like to be featured in Found in Fairview please email michelle.stensrud@fairviewcommunity.ca.

#### **GAMES & PUZZLES**

### **Trivia: Calgary Edition**

- 1. What year did the Calgary Flames win the Stanley Cup?
- 2. What was Calgary's original name?
- 3. What iconic indie pop duo hails from Calgary?
- 4. In 1969, what cocktail did Walter Chell invent in Calgary?
- 5. Who was Canada's flag bearer at Calgary's 1988 Winter Olympics?



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