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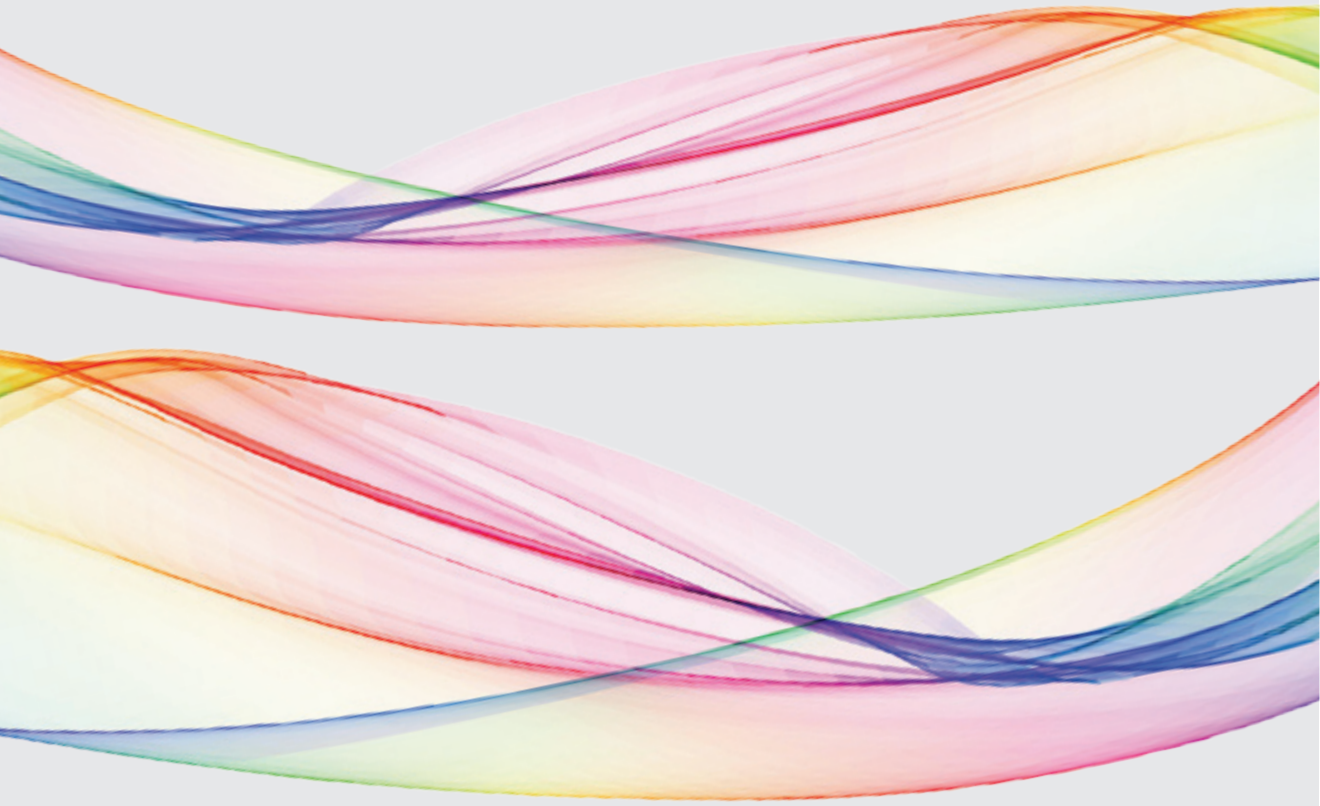
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When you tell other people that you live in Fairview, how many times have heard the response "Where's Fairview?" You probably reply with "north of Acadia", "near Chinook Mall", by the "Farmer's Market", and such. To celebrate the spirit of our small, 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.



Meet My Pet

This came in from Olivia. She doesn't have a pet of her own but has been adopted by a couple of dogs on her street.



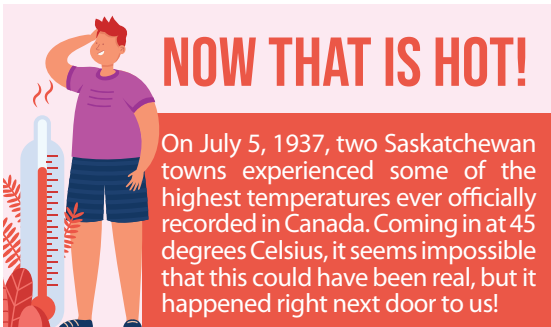
This is Oakley! She is one of the dogs I see almost every day. She is a mixed breed, we think she is a beagle, retriever, and shepherd. She is a well-trained dog and can do lots of tricks like whisper, etc. She is a very gentle dog when she is tired, but when she is energetic, she is crazy. When she sees me through her window going up to her door, she goes insane. She barks and basically breaks down the window. She loves food, me, and her owners!



This is Kola! She is the other dog I see almost every day. Kola is a Bernese miniature Aussie. She is a very sweet and gentle dog. When she runs after a rabbit or some sort of animal, she always comes back. She is a very loyal dog. When she sees me or her owners, she goes absolutely crazy. A funny thing about her is that she doesn't give you kisses when you see her, she immediately turns around and puts her butt to you, asking for butt rubs. She loves tummy rubs, walks, me, and her owners!

Thanks Olivia, for sharing your special relationship with the dogs with us!

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NOW THAT IS HOT!

On July 5, 1937, two Saskatchewan towns experienced some of the highest temperatures ever officially recorded in Canada. Coming in at 45 degrees Celsius, it seems impossible that this could have been real, but it happened right next door to us!

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Backyard Squirrels: Love 'Em, but Please Don't Feed Them

The following article was sent to us by a Fairview Resident. If you have an article you'd like to have featured in Fairview in Focus, email news@fairviewcommunity.ca.

Calgary is home to three species of tree squirrels, but it's the Eastern Grey Squirrel that's most dominant in the city. This introduced species is quite large and may have grey, black, or brown coloured fur, but most of our Calgary-born Eastern Grey Squirrels are black. This is something of a quirk, as black squirrels are pretty rare elsewhere. Eastern Grey's reproduce quickly, adapt well to the local environment, consume more diverse foods, and are highly tolerant of human activity.

Most of the squirrels in Calgary are descendants of pets and zoo escapees from the 1930s. These sneaky critters then accomplished a feat of exponential growth that would make our randiest rabbits jealous. And when an abundant food supply is made easily accessible (bowls of peanuts put out for them for example) that exponential growth is compounded.

Squirrels in the yard can provide hours of entertainment, but they can also be extremely destructive to lawns and gardens. Like all kids growing up, I had a natural curiosity about the wildlife in my family's backyard. Fast-forward to adulthood and my vain attempts to keep a healthy lawn and productive vegetable and flower gardens; and the question of whether to feed squirrels pits an adorable way for kids to connect with nature against some tough scientific realities.

If squirrels come to expect food and it isn't provided, they may become very aggressive in seeking it out. Or, when food is over-supplied, their numbers increase and they become frantic diggers in lawns and gardens in an attempt to hide it from other scavengers or store it for winter. They will invade structures such as attics and garages; they cause severe damage to flowerbeds, vegetable gardens, and lawns; and they attract other hunters like coyotes and bobcats into our neighbourhoods which can also endanger our pets.

Healthy population levels range between two to six squirrels per acre but become much higher in favourable habitats where bountiful food is supplied. If you live in Fairview, as I have for 36 years, you will notice those numbers have become much, much higher. So, help us maintain a healthy urban wildlife balance, and please... do not feed the squirrels.

Backyard Play Safety

by Alberta Health Services



Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to encourage parents and caregivers to ensure their backyard play areas are made safe for children this summer. Although direct supervision is the best method to reduce the chance of injury, always ensure play equipment in your yard is in good repair and is suited to the age and skill of the children using it. Check the equipment often; replace or repair any worn or broken parts. It's also advised to set up play equipment on top of a nine-inch layer of shock-absorbing material which extends six feet out in all directions from the play area.

Water Hazards

- Drowning contributes to unintentional injury-related death among children ages one to four
- Children can drown in just a few centimetres of water if it covers their mouth and nose
- Ensure all backyard swimming pools are fenced. The fence must be at least 1.8 metres high and have a self-latching, self-closing, lockable gate. (*Alberta Building Code)

Lawn and Garden Tools

- Keep young children away from outdoor power equipment
- Serious burns may result from touching hot engine surfaces
- Ensure that all sharp tools, fuel, chemicals, and other hazardous substances are stored in a secure, locked area. A simple latch may not be sufficient.

Insect Bites and Stings

- Minimize the risk of attracting insects by not wearing strong perfumes or scented lotions
- Avoid wearing brightly coloured clothing outdoors
- Consider destroying or relocating hives and nests situated near your home
- To avoid injury through inadvertently stepping on a stinging insect, always wear footwear outdoors
- If your child has received an 'EpiPen, Junior' prescription from your physician (for anaphylactic reactions only) ensure they understand when and how to use it
- If your child experiences a severe reaction to an insect sting, or other environmental cause, seek medical attention, or call 911.

Membership Update

Membership

Community Association memberships expired February 28, 2021. Purchase your 2022-2023 memberships today.

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Found in Fairview

Jacque Brown, not to be confused with the Tarantino movie *Jackie Brown*, has lived in Fairview for 16 years. She has been making pottery for over 20 years. Jacquie first got interested in pottery thanks to her high school teacher, then went on to study at ACAD. At ACAD she made some very tall (3 to 4 feet) vases! Since moving into her garage, she now makes more functional pieces like teapots, mugs, and a recent commission of a set of pasta bowls.

Throughout the week, you can find Jacquie working at a local pottery studio, but when she is not there, you can find her in her garage - door open in the summer - mixing glazes and creating her own pieces.

Her garage is quite the place! She has 2 kilns; one is 3 cubic feet, and the other is 7 cubic feet.



Jacquie talked me through the process of making some pieces, specifically about 50 mugs and 10 bowls!

From start to finish, the whole process of making pieces, cooling pieces, making glaze, and glazing takes anywhere from four to six weeks.

Once a piece is made, it is put in a Tupperware container so that it doesn't dry out. Then, a few days later, it is taken out and handles she has premade are added to the cups, or feet are added to the bowls.

Then into the kiln for firing! The kilns get up to 2,200 degrees Fahrenheit. Unlike glass bowing, the heat is kept inside the kiln, so the surrounding space doesn't get too hot.

Once everything is put in the kiln, it fires for 8 to 12 hours, then it takes another 10 to 15 hours to cool it all down.



During this time, Jacquie is kept busy making her own glazes. She takes a few days to make a few gallons of glaze that will last a few months.

Once the pieces have cooled down, Jacquie will spend the next two to three weeks getting everything glazed and ready for sale to the public.

Jacquie said that pottery making was getting more popular even as the pandemic hit. It didn't really stop the rise in popularity, and some private pottery studios have year long wait lists.

A six-week course is usually a good start to get the hang of making something like a cup or bowl, but you'll need more training to get good at it.

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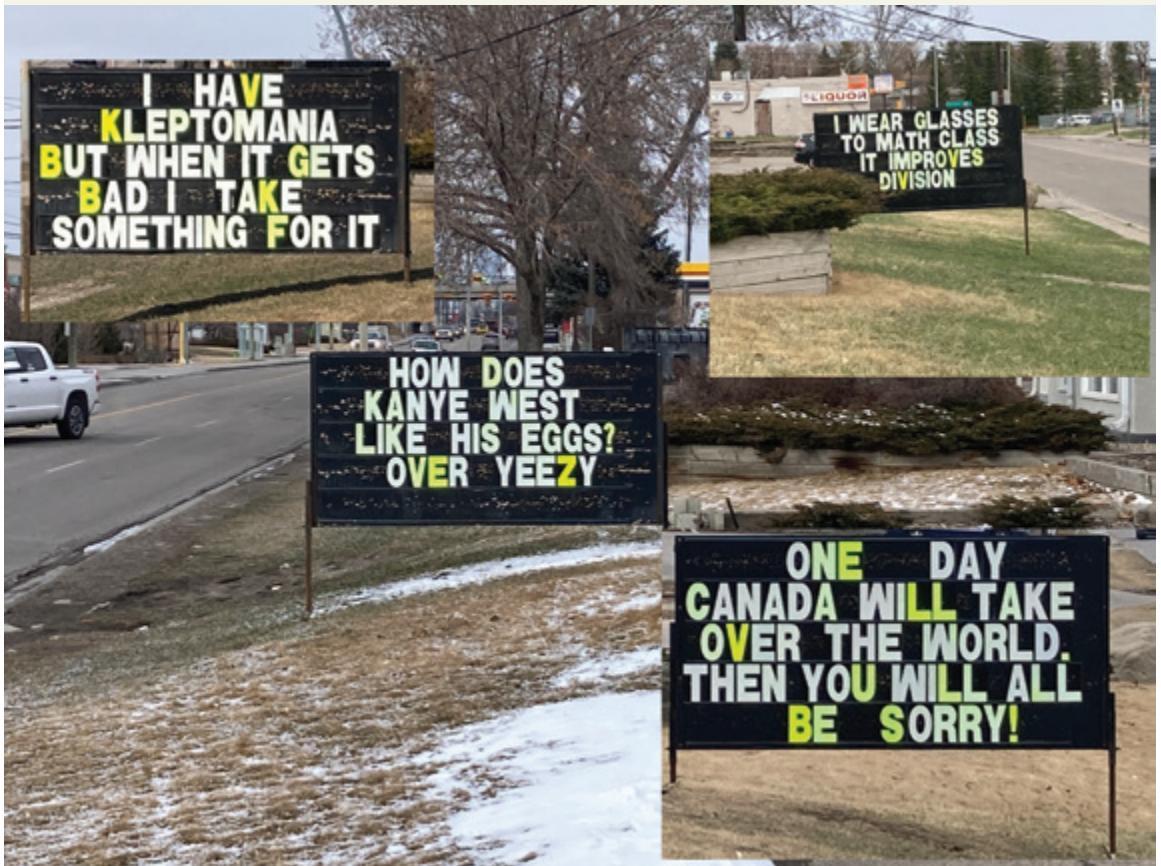
If you're like me, every time you drive up Fairmont Drive between Flint Road and Glenmore trail you probably look for the funny quotes on the sign at the hardwood flooring shop on the east side of the road. I stopped in to ask some questions about these quotes.

I asked how long they've been doing them, and they said it's been at least five years. The employees all take turns changing the sign. As much as I liked to imagine an up-and-coming stand-up comedian coming up with these hilarious "one liners" in the back of the shop, they told me they get most of them from the internet. Although, they did tell me that was not the case when it came to how they came up with my all-time favourite quote...

One day, someone came into the shop and told the employees "I ordered a chicken and an egg off Amazon... I'll let you know..." The employees looked at him in a slightly confused manner, and then he answered "Egg." Once they determined that he was giving them comedic gold, they committed to putting that one on the sign, although it would take two weeks for the full community to find out the punch line.

There has only been one joke they've put up more than once because they said it's their personal favourite, and that is "What did 50 cent do when he got hungry? 58."

To the employees of Smith Bros Hardwood flooring I say, on behalf of all Fairview Residents: Keep the laughs coming!



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