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60+ Collective - Summer QiGong

by Alicia Davis, 60+ Collective

The 60+ Collective is hosting a Qigong instructor for classes this summer! Qigong (pronounced "chi gong") was developed in China thousands of years ago. It involves using exercises to optimize energy within the body, mind, and spirit, with the goal of maintaining and improving health and well-being. It incorporates gentle movements, deep breathing, and mental attention.

We are planning classes for every Friday at 7:45 am at Flavelle Park until August 18. There will be no classes on the long weekends of June 30 and August 4.

Come on out and try something new outdoors to keep your mind and body healthy! We'd love to see you! If you'd like to participate, please contact 60plus@fairviewcommunity.ca.

Spring Fling Volunteer Appreciation

The community association would like to extend a huge thank you to Randy Wentz! If you've ever arrived at the Spring Fling with something big in your load, Randy is the one who comes around with his backhoe to scoop it up! He's been operating heavy equipment since 1977 and you sure can tell by his precision maneuvering.

Randy has been volunteering in the community for over 22 years and has played a huge part in the success of the annual Spring Fling every year!

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Fairview Meet My Pet

MacGyver Von Floof, or "Mac" as he is now known, came to live with Clara, Liam, and Charlie's family about two years ago. Mac was born on the Stampede Midway* and was originally called Deep Fried Mac and Cheese Balls**.

This family of five had a cat before and were ready to try their hand with a new type of pet. Knowing how busy their lives already were, they were looking for a family pet that was pretty easy to raise and didn't shed too much. Mac the labradoodle fit the bill!

Mac is huge! When he stands up on his back legs he is nearly as tall as Liam and Charlie. Clara is still short enough that she could ride him like a horse! In fact, she did try once, but fell off because he is not a horse. Mac is also really strong. Walking him still requires a parent around to hold onto the leash.

You might think that a puppy formally known as Deep Fried Mac and Cheese Balls would love mac and cheese, but he prefers kibble, peanut butter, and bananas!

Generally, Mac is the chill member the family was looking for. He does get hyped up over a few things: he gets excited over freshly falling snow and bubbles, he loves getting his tummy scratched, he really loves the freezing cold water at the river, and he especially loves kissing the kids all over their faces. The kids do not love the kisses when they come right after he has eaten.

Mac is a lovely dog and I'm glad to have met him!

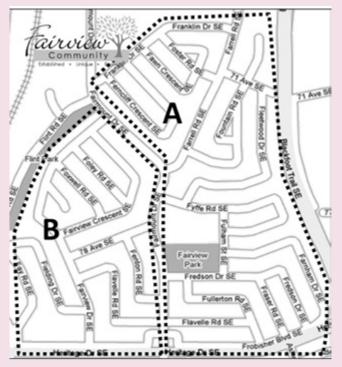
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If you have a pet and want to be featured in Fairview in Focus email michelle.stensrud@fairviewcommuity.ca.



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.

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Fairview AGM Update

Thanks to all the Fairviewers who came out to our AGM on June 6 for their great support, both in person and online! We heard reports on current board activities, passed our financials, heard from our (departing) acting president, and got a lot of information from Arcadis IBI, the developer behind the proposed Midtown project at Glenmore and Macleod. You can find out more about their project here: http://www.ibipublicengagement.com/midtown/index.php.

We also saw four active members of our current board depart - Chad Chapman (a Movie in the Park organizer), Andrew Gidden (a Wine and Cheese/wine survivor organizer and former VP), Elizabeth Duerkop (Little Free Libraries, former Secretary and VP, social media person, newsletter editing, and planning representative for the Heritage LAP), and Regan Klyn (President or Acting President for the past five years). All our board members also volunteer their time when they can to assist with various association projects and events as needed.

Re-elected to the board were Megan Federow (elected President at the subsequent board meeting), Wayne McNeely (VP), Michelle Stensrud (Secretary), Sam Koots (Treasurer), Alicia Davis, and Dave Eisenbart. New to the board is Les Sorenson. Thanks Les!

As you may have noticed, we have a working board in which a few people make everything happen. We're a small community, and although we have a smaller pool of residents, our board members are committed to Fairview awesomeness, with close ties to our neighbourhood and their fellow Fairviewers. We're people who want to ensure Fairview remains a friendly, fun, safe community with strong social ties - the best neighbourhood in Calgary!

But we need your help to keep it up. We need more board members. Without more people and fresh ideas, like all community associations, we risk losing events or even our very existence. We're all busy, and it's hard to make time to volunteer, even if you want to support the community you live in and love. We get that. But as the saying goes - many hands make light work!

Fairviewers are welcome to join the board at any time, not just at the AGM. If it feels daunting to reach out to a board member, know that we'll happily answer any questions you have and will make you feel right at home. If you aren't sure because you don't know what being on the board is like, you can join a couple of meetings to observe and ask questions. If you're willing to give us a small amount of your time at least once a month for meetings, please know that your help would be deeply appreciated. You can contact Megan at Megan. Federow@fairviewcommunity.ca, or message us on Facebook or Instagram with your contact info, and we'll reach out!

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Upcoming Community Events

60+ Collective Qigong in the Park Weekly every Friday at 7:45 am until August 18 *No class on the long weekends of June 30 and August 4

Flavelle Park

The 60+ Collective will have a Qigong instructor come to Flavelle Park for eight weeks this summer! See our 60+ Collective update for more information. If you would like to participate, please contact 60plus@ fairviewcommunity.ca.

Fairview Family Festival and Film Night – Save the Date! Friday, September 8 Flavelle Park

Mark your calendars for our most popular family social event of the year! Details are still getting worked out for the event, but the movie, popcorn, and concession planning are already underway!

If you would like to be involved in the planning of the event, make a suggestion for a movie, or volunteer at the event, please email us at events@fairviewcommunity. ca or leave a message at 403-252-5424.

Fairview Community Association Board Meeting Tuesday, September 12 at 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.

Found In Fairview

Yahoo! Stampede is here! And with it, all the free pancakes you can imagine eating and all the cowboy hats you would ever want to see, and that is just on Flavelle Road!

Many years ago, when my teenager was a kidlet, lower Flavelle participated in Neighbour Day. It was fabulous! There were games, a bike decorating contest and a mini parade, and a fire truck showed up! Over the years, that Neighbour Day event has morphed into a July outdoor morning brunch. This brunch happens roughly around the time of the Stampede, so cowboy hats and boots are expected. It also wouldn't be weird to see a wedding dress or two there, especially if I'm invited. Attendees bring food and drinks to share; eggs, waffles, fruit, doughnuts - you name it, it's likely on the table!

There are many kids over here on Flavelle, and although they are getting older, they still enjoy the breakfast and the games that are set up by the adults. More than once, there has been a talent show where the kids show off their musical skills, dance moves, or comedic chops.

I spoke to Luke, one of the usual party goers, and he said he was pleasantly surprised when he moved here and found out the street does things like this. In his old neighborhood they didn't even know anyone on their street. He and his family always have a good time and they get to meet new people they might not have met yet. It is events like this, and residents like Luke, that make me happy to live in Fairview!

Michelle Stensrud, Roving Reporter

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One Fairview Homeowner's Experience with Solar

by Sam Koots

If you look up at Fairview's rooftops, you may start to notice a growing trend: solar panels are popping up on more and more homes. Have you ever considered getting solar for your home? If so, read on.

We had a 4.88KW solar system installed on our home on Fielding Drive in January 2022. The installation of my array took 1.5 days and was done entirely by a local company. I have 13 panels on my roof. This system would normally have cost \$11,500 to have installed; however, we only had to pay \$6,500 after benefiting from Natural Resources Canada's Greener Homes program. In order to be eligible for an improvement like solar (or a heat pump, new attic insulation, new windows, etc.), you must first have a certified energy advisor do an assessment of your home. They'll test how airtight your house is, measure the insulation in your attic, go through your utility bills, then come up with a list of suggested improvements you should consider in order to save on energy (and hopefully money too).

My system is a grid-tied solar system, which means Enmax installed a special electrical meter on my house that allows me to draw power from the grid when I'm underproducing (like at night, or in the winter), and send power back to the grid when I'm overproducing (a sunny summer day). Of course, production is expected to be much higher in the summer, so one way to take advantage of this is to go with a "rate switching" plan with your electricity utility. This means for the months of April through to September, I am "paying" a much higher rate for my electricity than the average homeowner. But wait - since during all of those months I am guaranteed to produce more than I consume, all those kwH I send back to the grid get credited to my account at that "high" summer rate. Once October rolls around, my solar production dips dramatically and so my utility switches me back to a normal rate like any other house is paying. Using this "Rate Switching" technique means my system should be paid off in a little over six years at current energy prices.

Many people have asked me if I intend to go "off grid" now that I have solar. My answer is definitely not. I still heat my house with Natural Gas, and by tying into the grid I can take advantage of being credited for the power I send back to it. After all, hot summer days are seeing more and more people running their A/C units, which means the grid will take all the power I can produce! The company that installed my system predicted that I would generate 5,300kwh per year. For 2022, I generated 4,743kwh - about 90% of predicted.

A few other quick points:

You can generally only get approved for a system rated at 105% of your previous year's energy consumption. That means you can't build a massive array covering your whole roof unless you truly are using that much power. If you have an EV or air conditioning though, your consumption will be much higher than average which means you can take advantage of economies of scale when you are getting a system.

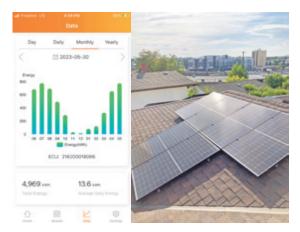
Calgary does get a lot of sunny weather even in the middle of winter but don't expect to generate much power. Even once all the snow has melted off the panels, the angle of the sun is so low that you will never come close to your summertime production.

Another limitation is that your system is tied into your electrical panel and takes up four full-sized circuit breakers. If your panel is full or older, you may need to have an electrician move some breakers around, or even upgrade your electrical panel.

If your shingles are in rough shape it makes sense to replace them beforehand since the panels are installed on top of your existing roof.

One of the coolest things about having solar is that you can nerd out in real time about what you're producing using an app on your phone. I was in BC on holidays last summer and could sit on the beach and see my system generating as much as \$9 per day in energy.

If you are interested in solar, ask one of your neighbours with nifty-looking panels on their roof what they recommend, or Google "Greener Homes Grant" to be taken



to the NRCan website for more information. Due to the popularity of the program, energy advisors can be booked up for many months, so if you're interested it's best to call around and get yourself in the queue for an appointment.

One thing is for sure: energy prices are certainly not getting any cheaper. With a solar system you can begin to take advantage of high energy prices and help the environment at the same time.



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