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Let's talk! Meet new people. Hang out in a social setting. Exchange ideas, thoughts, and opinions. Join us in community discussion and so much more!

### Come talk with us! Newcomers welcome.

Every Monday from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Banff Trail Community Hall.

For more information, contact Patricia Kostas at 403-284-9487



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If you are an artist in Banff Trail and would like to exhibit your work in the Banff Trail Artist Exhibit, please email your submission to Terese Mullin at Tereseamullin@gmail.com. Use the subject line "Banff Trail Howler Exhibit." Please include up to five images, your artist statement, and brief biography if applicable.









# **BTCA Memberships**

There is no charge for membership for the year. Memberships run from March to February. Registrations still required. If you would like to become a member and find out about upcoming events and ongoing activities, please send an email to membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca

Please include your name, address, phone number, partner's name, and how many children you have under the age of 18.

# Banff Trail Community Association **BOARD MEETING**

Second Wednesday of every month From 7:00 to 9:00 pm Google Meet video call link: https://meet.google.com/gsd-cyzo-fhx.

# Have questions about Hall rentals or availability?

Contact our Facility Manager at 403-282-2234 or hallmanager@banfftrailcommunity.ca Office hours are Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 to 8:00 pm

### **HOWLER SUBMISSIONS**

Do you have an interesting story you think should be in The Howler? Know of someone living in Banff Trail how deserves to be featured in our newsletter? How about photographs of our community? If you do please contact howlereditor@banfftrailcommunity.ca.



Remember, www.BanffTrailCommunity is the place to look for short-notice events, and more community info. Check out BanffTrail Community through social media through the following:

Facebook: @BanffTrailCommunity.ca Instagram: @banfftrailyyc | Twitter: @BanffTrailYYC

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#### **RAVEN'S CORNER**

In April, we featured an article as to what to do with dead batteries. This month we feature what to do with pizza boxes. Who doesn't love pizza? In our quest for Truth and Reconciliation, it is my hope that we can provide opportunities to protect this environment that align with the ideals of the stewards of this ancestral traditional territory. Interested in being part of BTCA Eco-community? I know that I am very much hoping to chair the Eco-Committee this year. Interested in a seed/ seedling exchange? A cooking class with an Indigenous themed recipe? Please let us know!

The BTCA was thrilled to present a program for our community to learn to skate which took place right on our beloved ice rink. Many thanks to Marlise for this successful program. (Featured in May issue). This month, please see how we celebrated Easter at Banff Trail.

With the warmer weather now upon us, we can finally get out there and have a little bit of fun! This month, we are having our Neighbour Day featuring ice cream. Next month, in July, we will be having an all-out Community Water Fight, a Music in the Garden concert program, and our highly anticipated annual Stampede BBQ. Our events committee has been very busy! We hope to see you there to share some of these fun-filled activities with us!

Our annual Community Clean Up will take place September 2, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Please stay tuned for details.

Your Banff Trail Membership is absolutely free! Six years ago, the Banff Trail Community Association voted to set memberships to zero dollars in order to include everyone. For new memberships, please provide your name, contact information, and let us know if you live within the Banff Trail neighbourhood boundaries to membership@banfftrailcommunity.ca. Or just let us know if you wish to renew as a member for an additional year. Thank you so much for your support to help us bring you wonderful improvements, events, and programs.

With the rising costs of vegetables and cooking ingredients, the Banff Trail Community Association offers community gardens for rent, but spaces are limited. Why not grow your own medicines or flowers? Reserve your space soon! Contact Marie Fraser at btcommunitygarden@gmail.com for more information.

Have any kids in your household? If you have a kid between 12 and 17 years of age who is looking to get involved while having fun, we have an opportunity for you! The Banff Trail Youth Council meets once a month and has already done remarkable things for our community. A Youth Group helps foster character, build leadership skills, and provides the opportunity to make new friends! Email ycl@banfftrailcommunity.ca for more information. Many thanks to these amazing young leaders for all they have accomplished and for all their community contributions!

Want to get your Banff Trail Howler before it comes in the mail? Check out https://mvcalgarv.com/magazines/ banff trail/.

If you have anything you're interested in, don't hesitate to get involved. Our meetings are on the second Wednesday of the month from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Feel free to call 403-282-2234 or email hallmanager@ banfftrailcommunity.ca. You are more than welcome to ioin us! You can also join us or see what is going on every month via online video using this link: https://meet. google.com/gsd-cyzo-fhx. The Banff Trail Community Association (BTCA) consists of a wonderful group of neighbours who are dedicated to our community and its residents. Thank you for all your time and volunteering efforts.

In solidarity, your editor for the Banff Trail Howler,

Ravenmoon Spicer, originally from Anishinaabe Algonquin unceded ancestral territory.

Acknowledging and Honouring Indigenous cultures: Calgary (and Banff Trail) is situated at Mohkinsstsis (in Blackfoot); Wîchîspa (in Stoney); or Guts'ists'i (in Tsuut'ina) in Treaty 7 Territory, Home of the Blackfoot Nations, Stoney-Nakoda Nations, Tsuut'ina Nation, and Home of the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3. We pay our respect to the First Nation and Métis.

#### Disclaimer:

Events may be changed due to unforseen circumstances. Please check our website at banfftrailcommunity.ca/ social media for updates and current information.

### **Easter Event Recap**







Thank you to everyone who came out to our second BTCA Easter Egg Hunt! We had a beautiful sunny day for our hunt, which was attended by about 170 kids. Kids got to search for eggs around the garden and the hall and exchange their finds for candy and a prize! Attendees got to enjoy the Butterfield Acres Petting Zoo, temporary tattoos, face painting by Absolutely Fabulous and Freckles Fabulous Faces, as well as delicious donuts by Calgary Mini Donuts. We had our bike tracks and outdoor games set up in the field and it was great to see them being well used!

A big thank you to all our volunteers from Youth Central and Volunteer Churchill (Sir Winston Churchill High School),

as well as the numerous neighbourhood teens who stepped in throughout the event.

A special thank you to local realtor John Preston from Preston Premier Properties for his donation of water and chocolate treats! Also, a big shoutout to Noah, Christoph, Jos, Lewis, Lillian, Owen, and Jacy for being our "Easter Bunny" and hiding eggs in record time -







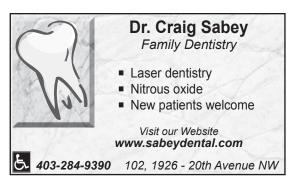


thank you to the Whitehorn Community Association for sharing their costume with us! Thank you to Penelope for setting up our Bunny Booth!

Wishing everyone a wonderful spring and hope to see you at our next events!

We always welcome feedback - let us know how we did by sending an email to events@banfftrailcommunity.ca.

Many thanks to Fernando Moreno-Prado who provided these spectacular photos!



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world" when a group of shipwrecked men wash up on the shore of her secluded island.



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