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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### **Movement in May**

Our community continues to be engaged, is supported well by the City, has very low crime rates, and many activities going on. Soon spring sports programs will be underway – watch out for the excited children with spring fever as they play in our neighbourhood.

Our upcoming activities include a Jane's Walk and a Spring Hunt, and of course our fundraising casino early in June.

Jane's Walk will happen on May 3 (which may be in the past as you read this). We will begin at the community hall at 1:00 pm. We will take a walk for about an hour around the community, exploring some of the interesting places in Ranchlands. Jane's Walk is an annual festival of free, community-led walking conversations inspired by urbanist and writer Jane Jacobs. On the first weekend of May every year, Jane's Walk festivals take place in hundreds of cities around the world. This event encourages people to share stories about their neighbourhoods, discover unseen aspects of their communities, and use walking as a way to connect with their neighbours.

Our neighborhood Cleanup Day will happen in the fall – once we have the dates confirmed with the City of Calgary and the other support groups, we will be advertising it. There will also be a Parade of Garage Sales coming June 14. Registration and routes will be available early in June.

Again, we will have a fun and challenging Spring Hunt planned – the details and theme will be promoted through our social media channels. We enjoy all the people scouring the neighbourhood, getting to know our area, and hopefully meeting neighbours along the way.

The Annual Neighbour Day celebration will be on Saturday, June 21 from 2:00 to 5:30 pm at the community hall. We will have family-friendly activities along with a space friendly for adults to mix and mingle. We look forward to meeting many of you there.

The City of Calgary is undertaking an initiative called the "Branching out Tree Program". Calgary's tree canopy coverage is currently at 8.25%, this includes trees planted on both public and private property. The City is working to grow and expand our tree canopy coverage to 16%. You can help through the annual Branching Out program. Trees are provided at no cost by the City of Calgary. NW registration opened on April 29!

Finally, our casino – we have had a wonderful response of volunteers to support us. We are still inviting you to hang out with fellow Ranchlanders and board members on Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7. If you have never volunteered at a casino, please feel free to email me at president@ranchlandscommunity.com and I will be happy to chat with you about the roles.

Kathy Ervin

President, Ranchlands Community Association





# The RCA Office Has a Visitor and She Could Use Your Help!



As migratory birds returned, a Canada Goose decided that the RCA office was the perfect place to build a nest. Geese can sometimes be a little intense, but this one is surprisingly sweet, so our staff decided to make her an honorary team member! They have named her Greta.

There's just one small problem: Great Greta is extremely picky. She's started building her nest, but she's not interested in having something plain or boring – nope. Greta wants a shiny nest! One that will make all her friends jealous.

After raiding our stash of paperclips, some old keys, and even a piece of tinfoil she found somewhere, Greta has run out of shiny things. That's where you come in! We're asking the community to help track down shiny materials that Greta can use in her fabulous new nest!

Greta will be posting clues on our Facebook page from May 20 to May 25 to help locate the items she's selected around the community. She's even willing to trade them for a gift – but since she's new around here, Greta wants to meet as many people as possible. That means it's one gift per person.



#### **GAMES & PUZZLES**

### **Guess the Video Game!**

- 1. This video game was developed and published by Atari in 1972, making it one of the earliest and most well-known video games.
- 2. With over 300 million copies sold, this is the best-selling video game of all time.
- 3. Physicist William Higinbotham created the very first game called \_\_\_\_\_\_; and no, it's not what you think!
- 4. A video game classic, the character of Mario was originally called \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. Beginning as a joke, this 1999 Nintendo 64 game included an unlikely rap about its main characters.
- 6. The Stalfos are the only enemy creatures to appear in every edition of this video game since its creation.



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### **Community Garden**

You are invited to rent a garden box at the Ranchlands Community Garden at 1313 Ranchlands Way NW. Check out the improvements to the garden located in the SW corner of the property. Prices remain the same as last year: \$15 for a regular-sized 4x6 box, and \$20 for one of the large 4x10 boxes. Please email wendy@westviewchurch.ca or call 403-239-1114 to inquire about availability and to rent a garden box. Look forward to hearing from you!





Rise Calgary (formerly Bowwest Community Services): 14 – 1840 Ranchlands Way NW

Westview Baptist Church: 1313 Ranchlands Way NW

St. James Anglican Church: 6351 Ranchview Drive NW Islamic Association of NW Calgary: 7750 Ranchview

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Al-Salam Centre: 6415 Ranchview Drive NW

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#### The Ranchlands Food Pantry

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Join us in making a difference! We have two vacant roles.

We're actively searching for an individual to fill our volunteer role as a hamper drop off driver. The role consists of picking up completed hampers from the Ranchlands Food Pantry on the first and last Monday evening of every month (or Tuesday evenings if Monday is a statutory holiday) between 5:00 and 5:30 pm and delivering them to the doorsteps of Ranchlands residents who have requested a hamper. Drop-offs are contactless. You must have your own reliable vehicle and a valid driver's license.

We are also looking for an individual to pack hampers on the last Monday of every month between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. This role consists of assembling food hampers with non-perishable items listed in a provided worksheet and labeling the hamper with its corresponding requester number.

If you're interested or have questions, please email volunteerrca@ranchlandscommunity.com. Your commitment and support significantly contribute to the success of our community initiatives. Thank you for your support!

#### Items in Need

If you're looking to contribute to a cause that directly benefits your community, please consider donating items in high demand, such as cereal, canned soups and vegetables, fruits, and nut butters. Toiletries such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, and toilet paper are also often requested items. Check out our Facebook page for regular updates on what items are in high demand. Donations can be dropped off at the Ranchlands Community Association RFP box, conveniently located in the foyer at 7713 Ranchview Drive NW. Operating hours are Monday to Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Thank you for your support!

If you or someone you know in the community is facing food insecurity, the Ranchlands Food Pantry is here to help. You can request a hamper from our community webpage at http://ranchlandscommunity.com under the programs section. Please note that due to limited resources, we can only support Ranchlanders at this time.

# Host Your Next Event at the Ranchlands Community Association!



Did you know that the Ranchlands Community Association (RCA) has a bright, welcoming space available for rent? Whether you're planning a birthday party, family

potluck, crafting night, or a casual get-together, our space is the perfect spot to bring people together!

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Ernest Beaux, launched her iconic fragrance. Why No. 5? Because five was her lucky number, and she made sure to release it on the fifth day of the fifth month for extra good fortune!

### Mark Your Calendars: The Great Ranchlands Community Parade of Garage Sales Returns June 14!

Get ready, treasure hunters and bargain lovers! The Great Ranchlands Community Parade of Garage Sales is back, and we hope bigger than ever on Saturday, June 14, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

This is your chance to explore dozens of garage sales all across the neighbourhood in one epic day of deals, discoveries, and community fun. Whether you're hunting for household items, kids' gear, books, tools, clothes, or hidden treasures—you're bound to find something worth stopping for.

#### Follow the Map to the Deals

This year, we're making it easier than ever to plan your route. With a new and improved interactive map being developed by a community resident and businesswoman, you will be able to track participating homes, see sale highlights, and make sure you don't miss a thing. Details on how to access the map will be shared soon—keep your eyes on local community boards and social media pages.

#### And That's Not All...

Rumour has it, there might be a few extra surprises sprinkled throughout the day. You never know what you'll find around the next corner!

Whether you're hosting a sale or hitting the streets to shop, the Great Ranchlands Community Parade of Garage Sales is the perfect way to connect with neighbours, recycle great items, and have some fun in the sun.

Tell your friends, bring your reusable bags, and get ready for a great day in Ranchlands!

For updates, or to register your home as a sale stop, check out our Facebook page or community website at www.ranchlandscommunity.com.



### **Help Us Reach More Families: Become a Monthly Donor to the Food Pantry**

Every month, Ranchlands Food Pantry helps dozens of families put meals on the table—and the need keeps growing. Right now, our monthly donor base brings in \$70 per month. It's a wonderful start, but to meet the increasing demand, we need to grow that support to \$200 per month.

That's where you come in.

We're asking you to consider becoming a monthly donor-not just a one-time giver, but someone who makes ongoing support part of their monthly routine. Even \$10 or \$15 a month makes a real difference when we all pitch in.

#### **Why Monthly Giving Matters**

Monthly giving allows us to:

- Stock shelves consistently, especially with those key food items needed for young children and our local seniors.
- Respond quickly when new families reach out in crisis.
- Plan ahead for seasonal needs like school lunches. special meals, or other unexpected food needs.
- It cuts down on administrative costs, making your gift ao further.

#### The Challenge: \$130 More Per Month

To close the gap and reach our \$200 per month goal, we're looking for:

- 13 people to give \$10 per month
- Or nine people to give \$15 per month
- Or maybe you're in a position to give more? \$28.61 per month sponsors a whole hamper of staples for one of our local households.

#### Be Part of a Bigger Story

When you become a monthly donor, you're not just giving food—you're giving relief, dignity, and hope. You're telling a family, "You're not alone."

To sign up, visit ranchlandscommunity.com/donate/ or call the church office at 403-241-0335. Setting up monthly giving is easy, secure, and fully tax-deductible.



### **Ranchlands School May Updates**

As the warmer weather arrives, it's wonderful to see everyone enjoying the sunshine. We have a number of exciting field trips planned for this spring, so stay tuned for more details from your child's teacher.

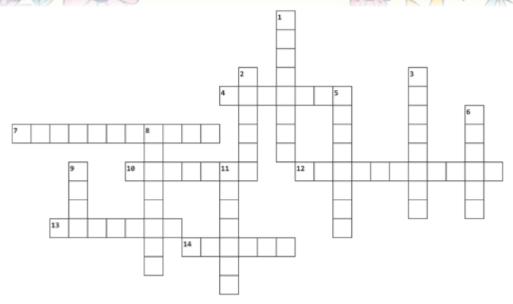
#### **Important Dates:**

- May 13: Next School Council Meeting
- May 16: Professional Development Day (No school for students)
- May 19: Victoria Day Holiday (No school)

We would like to extend our gratitude to all community members who drive safely around the school. Your efforts help keep our children safe.



# May Crossword



#### Down

- 1. Cory \_\_\_\_\_, famous for his role as Finn Hudson on *Glee*, was born on May 11, 1982, in Calgary, Alberta.
- The first \_\_\_\_\_\_ Awards were held on May 4, 1959, with Ella Fitzgerald winning the award for Best Jazz Vocal Performance.
- 3. Astrophysics for People in a Hurry by Neil \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tyson was originally published in May 2017.
- On May 8, 1980, the World Health Organization declared that this disease, caused by the variola virus, had been eradicated.
- 6. Fashion designer, Coco \_\_\_\_\_\_, released her eponymous perfume, \_\_\_\_\_\_ No. 5, on May 5, 1921.
- 8. Canadians celebrate the birthday of this Queen on May 19.
- 9. The month of May is named after \_\_\_\_\_, the Greek goddess of growth, fertility, and spring.
- 11. The Canadian government established the North-West \_\_\_\_\_\_ Police on May 23, 1873.



#### Across

- 4. This popular TV sitcom aired its series finale "The Last One" on May 6, 2004, in the United States.
- Pyotr Ilyich \_\_\_\_\_\_ was a guest conductor for the opening of Music Hall (now Carnegie Hall) on May 5, 1891.
- 10. On May 16, 1929, the first \_\_\_\_\_\_ Awards were held with the silent film *Wings* winning Best Picture.
- 12. The first-ever race of the Formula 1 World Championship was held on May 13, 1950, at this iconic English circuit, which is still used today.
- Amelia \_\_\_\_\_\_ started her first transatlantic solo flight on May 20, 1932, departing from Harbour Grace. Newfoundland.
- 14. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ Reloaded was released on May 15, 2003, starring Canadian actor Keanu Reeves and Canadian actress Carrie-Anne Moss.





by Anne Burke

We were contacted about restoration work at Nose Hill. Alberta Native Plant Rescue has some native grasses they've rescued from development sites around Calgary and can plant them out. Past stewardship projects were in Fish Creek Park and Cochrane area. Native species are popular but are at increasing risk from invasive species (weeds) and land development. This Volunteer Group gathers a variety of native grasses and rare plants, then safely relocates them. Some are rough fescue grass, the Prairie sage, blanket flower, blazing star, yarrow, and more. When the native grassland restoration project involves sharing seedlings with the public, participants should bring clean tools and be dressed appropriately.

This year's World Migratory Bird Day theme, Shared Spaces: Creating Bird-friendly Cities and Communities, highlights the urgent need for urban planning and protecting birds. It's time to rally our community and Calgary is certified as bird friendly. Saturday, May 10 marks peak spring migration in Canada. Every action counts to help save bird lives. https://www.birdday.ca/.

Nature Alberta is the coordinator of Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas (IBAs) for Habitat Stewardship, enlisting community and government support. National partners include Birds Canada and Nature Canada. The program was initiated in the 1980s by BirdLife International. Nature Alberta is responsible for recruiting volunteer caretakers who collect bird data; they conduct at least one bird count per year (preferably during migration) and submit the results to eBird Canada. Some other duties are conducting site assessments, restoring habitat, raising awareness, and advocacy efforts. There are currently over 600 IBAs across Canada, including 48 in Alberta all viewable on a Google map. An online directory tracks locations, birds, habitats, threats, and conservation issues. You can access the database, interactive maps, desktop tools, and downloadable PDF maps at https://naturealberta. ca/habitat-stewardship/.

#### **Get Your Taxes Done for Free!**

Are you looking for assistance with your taxes? The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) is here to help! Our volunteer tax clinic at the Ranchlands Community Association is designed to provide free tax return services for individuals with modest incomes and straightforward tax situations.

#### **How to Access the Clinic**

Setting Up an Appointment: To schedule an appointment, contact the RCA Clinic directly at 587-207-5909 or send an email to taxclinic@ ranchlandscommunity.com.

Be sure to mention that you are interested in the volunteer tax clinic.

#### What You'll Need

To make the process as smooth as possible, please bring the following documents:

- · Identification: Valid photo ID (e.g., driver's license, passport)
- Social Insurance Number (SIN)
- Income Slips: T4, T5, and any other relevant income documents
- Receipts: For medical expenses, childcare expenses, and other deductions
- Last Year's Tax Return: If available

#### Clinic Details

- Location: RCA Community Centre
- · Operating Period: The clinic will be open from February 25 to May 31
- Contact Information: For any questions or to confirm your appointment, call the RCA Tax Clinic at 587-207-5909

Don't miss this opportunity to get your taxes done for free by experienced volunteers! If you have any questions or need further assistance, feel free to reach out.

We look forward to helping you with your tax needs!





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As we head into May, I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy some time with family and friends over the Easter weekend. I always appreciate the chance to slow down and connect with loved ones — it's a good reminder of what matters most.

April was full of meaningful moments in our community. I was honoured to join my Calgary colleagues to present the King's Medal to outstanding community volunteers. Congratulations to Barbara Elms from Edgemont on receiving this well-deserved recognition for her incredible and ongoing contributions to her community.

In the Legislature, I continue to advocate for Calgary-Edgemont families feeling the squeeze of rising costs. The affordability crisis is hitting families hard, and people deserve a government that shows up for them. I've also been pushing for better support for women's services, especially shelters and programs that help those facing domestic violence. These services are vital, and no one should be turned away when they need help.

Looking ahead, May brings Mother's Day and Sexual Violence Awareness Month — both reminders of the importance of supporting women and families in our province.

As the weather warms up, I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at community events, or while I'm out door-knocking. If you see me out and about, please come say hi to me, I'd love to chat with you.

For updates on what I am doing as your MLA, you can also follow me on social media @NDPJulia.

My team and I are here to help. Whether to hear your concerns or help with provincial matters, please reach out anytime at calgary.edgemont@assembly. ab.ca or 403-288-2253.

Take care, and I'll see you in the community!





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Our communities are growing, and with that growth comes exciting improvements to roads, parks, and public spaces. To help you stay informed about what's happening near you, I have worked with The City to launch the Capital Projects Map – an interactive tool that highlights upcoming and ongoing infrastructure projects.

Want to know if roadwork will affect your commute? Curious about new community spaces being built nearby? This tool provides details on project timelines, budgets, and current status, so you can see how these developments may impact and benefit your daily life.

Currently, the map is in its pilot phase, featuring select projects while The City fine-tunes its functionality. More updates are coming soon, making it even easier to track improvements across Calgary.

Check it out and explore what's happening in your community today! Visit calgary.ca/capitalprojectsmap for more.

#### **Preparing for Warmer Weather and Snow Melt**

With warmer temperatures expected in Calgary, The City is preparing for the spring melt – and you can help!

As ice melts during the day and refreezes at night, storm drains can become blocked. City crews are already working to inspect and thaw key drains using specialized steam equipment.

#### How You Can Help:

- · Clear storm drains around your property when it's safe to do so. Removing ice, snow, and debris helps prevent pooling water. Find storm drain locations at calgary.ca/stormdrains and learn more.
- Report blocked drains to 3-1-1 if water is pooling or if the drain is covered in thick ice. Submitting a photo through the 3-1-1 app helps crews prioritize urgent
- Drive with care. Slushy roads can hide hazards like potholes, and water spray can reduce visibility for others.

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- How-to videos including how to garden on a budget and creating a pollinator-friendly yard.

Remember, new plants need lots of water to get established, especially during the heat of summer. You can do your part to reduce your water consumption and help your yard and garden retain moisture by:

- Installing a rain barrel to use in your yard and garden.
   It is a simple, yet effective way to reduce your water use by acting as a backup source of water.
- Only giving plants the water they need.
- Mowing less often to keep your grass five to seven cm (two to three inches) high to shade the soil.
- Replacing portions of your lawn with garden features that use less water and help absorb rainwater such as low water-use perennials and shrubs, lawn alternatives, or groundcovers.
- Adding good quality soil to help retain moisture and mulch on top to reduce evaporation.

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