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Acadia Curling Rink - 10 Sheets

Acadia Community Association

ACA Memberships

Memberships are available online at acadia.community/ membership or in-person at the ARC.

Family: \$25 | Individual: \$15

Non-Acadia Residents: \$25

ACA Social Night

Wednesday, May 10 | 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Come for a meet and greet, refreshments, and board games with members of the ACA board in the ARC Social Lounge.

Community Cleanup

Saturday, May 13 | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Facility Rentals

Rose Hall Banquet Room, Meeting Rooms, Curling Arena, and Lounge

ACA members receive 15% off room bookings. For rental inquiries and more information, contact Tannis at tannis@acadiarec.com or 403-255-1252 ext. 222.

Courts

Pickleball

Come out and try pickleball! No experience necessary. You just need a minimum of 2 people to play and a maximum of 12 people. 2 courts, paddles and balls supplied. To book a court, please visit acadiarec.com.

Rental Rates: \$15 per hour for ACA members | \$20 per hour for non-members

Drop-In: Monday to Thursday | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
\$5 a person per session

Squash/Racquetball Courts

Drop-In Prices: \$15 per hour for a court for ACA members | \$20 per hour for a court for non-members
Purchase punch cards (buy 4 hours, get an extra hour free) at our front desk during regular office hours.

Rental Rates: \$60 for ACA members | \$80 for non-members

All prices include GST. Call us at 403-255-1252 or book courts online at acadiarec.com.

Curling

Closed for the season.

Arena and Skate

Closed for the season.

Other Happenings

Keepin' It Country Line Dance Club

Wednesdays - Dance Program | 5:45 to 9:00 pm

Contact Geraldine for more information at 403-256-4150

Sports Card Show

Saturday, May 20 | 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sunday, May 21 | 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Contact Julie for more information at 403-990-6312 after 6:00 pm, please.

Blood Services

Saturday, May 6 | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Thursday, May 11 | 2:00 to 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 13 | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Book now at blood.ca or phone 1-888-2-Donate.

Spring Pottery Sale

Sunday, May 7 | 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Free parking and admission!

Contact daaven@fairviewstudios.com.

CCS Pool Tournament

Tuesday, May 2 and Sunday, May 7

Spectators welcome!

Vintage Redefined Market

Friday, May 26 | 4:00 to 9:00 pm

Saturday, May 27 | 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday VIP tickets: \$10. Tickets available on Eventbrite.

Saturday tickets: \$5. Tickets available at the door.

*Check out our new website at acadiarec.com.
Online bookings and requests now available.*



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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Hello Acadians. What a great start to spring!

ACA Rebrand - Logo Design Contest

Phase 1 of our rebranding campaign officially wrapped up last month. Acadians shared their opinions on what the ACA brand should include and eligible submissions were entered into a draw that saw five lucky winners win a prize-pack worth \$50 in value each.

We compiled all the feedback from the survey responses and have developed a design guideline for what the ACA brand should incorporate. Visit www.acadia.community/rebrand for full details of these guidelines.

Phase 2 is now officially underway with the launch of the ACA Logo Design Contest! We are inviting people of all design skills to submit a logo design for the ACA based on the established design parameters. The contest will be open until June 30 and submissions can be made to membership@acadiaca.com.

Community Cleanup Event

The annual Community Cleanup event is back this year for its fourteenth year. Check out page 12 for more details or visit www.acadia.community/events.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help make this event a success. With the amazing volunteer turnout at our previous two large events of the year, we know that we will have no trouble filling the required roles for the community cleanup! Acadia is nothing short of amazing and we are so proud with how this community has come together to support these types of initiatives. You can sign up to volunteer for the community cleanup at www.acadia.community/volunteer.

Easter Egg Hunt - A Great Success!

We hosted our first annual Easter Egg Hunt event at the new Addison Place Playground in April. What an amazing turnout! We had over 100 children participate in the hunt, with almost 50 more that had expressed interest by being on our waitlist. The children seemed thrilled to hunt for the 1,200 treat-filled eggs hidden across the park, and they enjoyed their cookie decorating kits and also all the fun little activities we had available on site. The playground structure was also a very popular feature! Our board members in attendance enjoyed meeting and connecting with everyone. We will definitely be bringing this event back to the community of Acadia next year and will look to add even more features!

May Social Night

A reminder that the May Social Night event will be on Wednesday, May 10 at the ARC Social Lounge from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. We really enjoy spending time with our community at these get-togethers! Our March event was such a hoot and we're looking forward to more fun and connection with our neighbours as each social night event approaches!

Introducing Uke Night!

The ACA is always looking for fun opportunities to bring our community together. In June, the ACA will be hosting Uke Night in partnership with Honolulu Ukuleles in the ARC Social Lounge. Uke Night is a group music lesson that teaches people with no musical experience how to play about a dozen popular songs on the ukulele in one two-hour event. We will provide everything that participants will need, including a ukulele to use during the event, and participants receive an e-book download after the event so that they can continue to practice what they've learned after the event.

The cost to attend this music lesson is \$40 per person and registrations can be made at www.acadia.community/events. Uke Night is currently an adults (16+) program and a kids version is in development.

Nominate Your Block for a Neighbour Day Block Party

June 17 is Neighbour Day in Calgary and the ACA is looking for a street to host a block party! Do you think your block would be a great candidate? Fill out a nomination form by visiting www.acadia.community.

Welcome to Our Newest Board Member

We are so pleased to welcome Shanon Crews as the ACA's newest board member! Shanon will be taking on the role of Grants and Fundraising Committee Chair - a much needed position that will be so important for our community! Visit www.acadia.community/the-board for more details about Shanon!

We Need Your Help!

We're always looking for people to join our team! There are so many opportunities to get involved with your community. Check out the summary of available volunteer roles on page 10. If you are available to help with any of the available opportunities, please email us at volunteer@acadiaca.com.

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WINTER CARNIVAL
STAMPEDE BREAKFAST
BIKE PARADE | MOVIE IN THE PARK
NEIGHBOUR DAY | BREWFEST
KIDS' CHRISTMAS PARTY
AND MANY MORE!



REASONS TO BECOME A MEMBER OF



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VOTE

Have a say and influence on issues that are most important to you. Have a passion project you want to see executed in Acadia? A new playground, public art, or more programming? Joining the ACA is how you get involved in shaping the community where you live!

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Keep up to date with all the happenings in the community, including new infrastructure developments, planning, traffic, events, programs, townhall meetings, ward news, and City news.



MEMBERS ONLY PERKS

ACA members get discounts on various local area food and retail outlets. In addition, members get access to the ARC Social Lounge and 15% off room and ice bookings at the ARC for private events!

FREE EVENTS

Most of our events are free or at a very reduced rate for members. The ACA hosts some great events each year, such as the Winter Carnival, Stampede Breakfast, Neighbour Day, and more!



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TO
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Have items that are just too good to throw out? Please place these gems on the tables provided and maybe someone else can use them! Any remaining items at the end of the event will be donated

 For the 11th consecutive year, the 253rd South Heritage Scout Group will be helping to clean up City Parks in Acadia!

The ACA would like to acknowledge the support of the following City of Calgary Departments: Calgary Community Strategies, Waste & Recycling, City Parks, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator



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ACA Volunteer Callout: We Want You!

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To learn more about these roles and to apply, please contact volunteer@acadiaca.com.

Social Media Coordinators

The ACA is seeking volunteer social media coordinators to help execute our annual communications strategy through management of posts on our Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and Tik Tok accounts. Familiarity with these platforms and their different engagement styles is an asset. Please reach out today to learn more about this opportunity!

Newsletter Coordinator

We are in need of a newsletter coordinator. Our monthly newsletter is distributed to over 5,400 households and businesses in Acadia. If you are an organized individual who works really well under tight deadlines, and want to hone your editorial skills, please get in touch with us!

Community Cleanup – Saturday, May 13

The date is set for the annual Community Cleanup event, and we are in need of volunteers to assist with traffic directing and to oversee each bin/drop-off station. This event is very well-attended, so the more volunteers the merrier! Please reach out to us today to find out about the roles available.

Bike Parade – August

We're currently seeking volunteers who have some skills in bike tune-up and repair to lead a mini repair demonstration for our annual bike parade planned this summer. We are also in need of Acadians who have familiarity with the neighbourhood's heritage and history, and are able to provide this historic information to bikers.

Events Committee

We are always looking for passionate and creative volunteers to join our Events Committee. 2023 is going to be an exciting year for Acadia and the ACA. The Winter Carnival in February was a huge success due to the volunteers who stepped up! We have a robust roster of events planned to bring value to our membership and Acadians. Upcoming events that require a committee include Community Cleanup, Stampede Breakfast, BrewFest, Parade of Garage Sales, Movie in the Park, Bike Parade, Neighbour Day Block Party, Fall Fair, Kids' Christmas Party, and so much more! The success of these events heavily relies on our amazing community volunteers. We hope you will consider joining us!

Board of Directors

The ACA needs a variety of people with limitless creativity and determination to create a vision of building an inclusive, safe, and vibrant community for Acadians. If you are full of Acadia pride, are committed to change, development, and community engagement, we could use your help on the board! Contact us to discuss the specific board roles that are available and to find out more.

**The Acadia Community Association
is rebranding and wants your input!**

SCAN ME



**Do you have an idea for what the ACA
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**Contest closes June 30th and winners
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Acadia: A Good Food Box Depot!

Thanks to community support for the Good Food Box Program, individuals and families in Acadia can now purchase boxes of fresh fruits and vegetables at an affordable price – approximately \$1 per pound of produce – and have those boxes delivered to the ARC for pick up.

The Good Food Box Program is for everyone regardless of income level. There are three boxes to choose from (see chart below). Due to seasonal availability, there is no knowing in advance what combination of fruits and vegetables each Good Food Box will contain, but all boxes contain the maximum amount of produce to ensure clients get the most value for the price.

Box Size	Price	Weight
Small	\$25	15 to 20lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Medium	\$30	25 to 30lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Large	\$35	35 to 40lbs* of fruits and vegetables

**Please note that weights are approximate.*

If you are interested in purchasing a Good Food Box for pick up at the ARC, please complete a request form at www.acadia.community/goodfoodbox or email Helen Tubrett directly at goodfoodbox@acadiaca.com. Payment by e-transfer or cash is required at the time of ordering.

For upcoming 2023 order and pick up dates for the Good Food Box Program in Acadia, please refer to the chart below. Note: there is no Good Food Box in July.

Upcoming Good Food Box Order and Pick Up Dates

Order Deadline - Friday	Pick Up Date - Wednesday From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm or 4:00 to 6:00 pm
May 19	May 31
June 9	June 21

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Acadia Community Garden

Hello friends and gardeners!

Did you know that there is a community garden located in our very own Acadia? The Acadia Garden and Art Society has been operating for more than 10 years. We are located at 332 94 Avenue SE. We are adjacent to the Ecole de la Source school yard.

Our garden has 42 raised beds as well as a food forest that can boast at least 18 different edible trees, vines, and bushes. We have two beds dedicated to growing vegetables for the food bank and the Acadia Food Pantry and we have three vegetable beds, one very large strawberry bed, and two raspberry patches that are community u-pick (which means you don't need to be a member to come and pick and enjoy).

Our space is not only open to gardeners but to anyone who wants to come and enjoy all of the life that a garden brings to it. We have benches for sitting and books for reading, and quite often we have art and social groups meeting in the space. Most of the art and social groups are also happy to receive new friends so if you are curious about a group meeting in the garden, stop, say hi, and see what types of amazing things are happening in our space.

If you think you might be interested in joining our merry group, either as a gardener or a friend of the garden you can email us to join. We currently have six beds available to rent: two 4x6' beds (\$25/bed/year), two 4x8' beds (\$35/bed/year), or two 4x10' (\$45/bed/year). Bed rental inquiries can be emailed to registrar@growingacadia.ca, but hurry because these beds will get snapped up quick!

We are seeking new board members to fill positions and join the team that keeps the garden running! The board meets once a month and can expect 2 to 6 hours of volunteer time per month depending on the season and the position. This is a supportive, friendly group, always excited to welcome new people. No previous experience needed. Looks great on a resume! Please email president@growingacadia.ca for more information or to apply.

Would you like to become a non-gardening member or friend of the garden or volunteer with us? You can email garden@growingacadia.ca and we will make sure you get put on our contact list for updates on events and garden news.

In nature, nothing exists alone, so come visit us!

A poster for a social night event. The background is a dark, slightly blurred photo of people sitting at a table. The text is in white and yellow. At the top, it says 'COME MEET AND CONNECT WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND ACA REPRESENTATIVES AT OUR MAY'. Below that, in large yellow letters, is 'SOCIAL NIGHT'. Underneath that, in white, is 'At the ARC Social Lounge'. Then, in yellow, is 'WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 2023 FROM 5:30PM - 7:30PM'. At the bottom, in white, is 'Come enjoy refreshments, snacks, board games and conversation!'.

COME MEET AND CONNECT WITH
YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND ACA
REPRESENTATIVES
AT OUR MAY

SOCIAL NIGHT

At the ARC Social Lounge

WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 2023
FROM 5:30PM - 7:30PM

Come enjoy refreshments, snacks,
board games and conversation!

A poster for a nomination event. The background is a light blue gradient. At the top, in white, is 'JUNE 17TH IS NEIGHBOUR DAY!'. Below that, in large white letters, is 'NOMINATE YOUR BLOCK!!'. Underneath that, in white, is 'TO BE THE HOST VENUE FOR THE ACA NEIGHBOUR DAY BLOCK PARTY!'. At the bottom, there is a photo of a group of people sitting around a table outdoors, eating and talking. In the bottom right corner, in white, is 'Visit acadia.community/events for full details!'.

JUNE 17TH IS NEIGHBOUR DAY!

NOMINATE YOUR BLOCK!!

TO BE THE HOST VENUE FOR THE
ACA NEIGHBOUR DAY BLOCK
PARTY!

Visit
acadia.community/events
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WINTER CARNIVAL

Fun carnival games, s'mores around the fire, participate in the chili cook-off! Children can create fun winter-themed crafts



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2023 EVENTS

ACA SOCIAL NIGHTS

Come meet & greet with the ACA board members over drinks in the ARC Social Lounge. Occurs every second month.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Kids can hunt for eggs filled with fun treats at one of Acadia's many parks.

PARADE OF GARAGE SALES

Shop for unique treasures as the entire community opens shop!

BIKE PARADE

Decorate your bike with streamers & balloons & join the ride.

NEIGHBOUR DAY

Bringing Acadians together for a fun block party!

COMMUNITY CLEANUP

Acadians can get rid of their unwanted items for free

STAMPEDE BREAKFAST

Pancake breakfast with live music & line dance lessons.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The ACA Board and ARC staff will update the community on their activities, accomplishments & goals.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BBQ

Celebrating the selfless and amazing people who make what the ACA plans possible.

MOVIE IN THE PARK

Enjoy a fun family movie under the stars as we activate an Acadia greenspace!

PUMPKIN PARADE

After Halloween, bring your carved pumpkins to the Community Garden for everyone to enjoy. We will dispose of them afterward. Food trucks & hot cocoa included.

FALL FESTIVAL

Welcome fall with a fun festival. Food trucks, kids' business fair, glitter tattoos. Local Acadian businesses on site to showcase their offerings.

KIDS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

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ACA COORDINATOR ROLES:

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